

**Autumn Term
Week 2**

14th Sept 2018

NEWS



Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope you have had a good return to school, and are enjoying being back 'in routine' again! The holidays seem to be a long time ago already!

The children and staff have been busy learning already. The staff had a good training session on the inset day, and it was useful to get together with the teachers and TAs from Trenode School to update our safeguarding training and to think about how to help your children learn better. Nessa class has learned about the legend of King Arthur on their trip to Tintagel this week, to launch their Saxons and Vikings topic—please see the photos on the next page!

Thank you to the parents who attended the curriculum meetings this week. If you were unable to come, please feel free to make an appointment with your child's teacher to discuss what they will be learning this term, and how you can help them at home.

Please take time to look at and record the dates on the other page. This will be updated as the PTA plan events and more trips and opportunities are organized. We are all looking forward to welcoming the nursery children next week, and the Blisland family will be complete for this year!

Best wishes,

Sarah Hawker

Phonics Information Meetings

There will also be a phonics information session for EYFS and Nursery parents, at 2.30pm on Tuesday 25th September. Please try to attend if you can.

School Uniform

As our school logo and badge has changed we thought this would be a good opportunity to make a slight change to the school uniform. We are not having a cut off date - the new uniform will be phased in gradually as you need to replace items that are worn out or children have grown out of. Mrs Godfrey has a sample similar to the proposed style in the office. We will also get a price list as soon as possible. Please come in and have a look. If you have any queries

PE Kit

Your child's PE kit will need to be left in school all week as they are having PE twice a week. Mrs Tyrrell is no longer working at the school and PE will be taught by Mrs Powdrill and coaches from Arena sports.

Attendance

Whole school: 97.2%

As I'm sure you know, pupils need to attend school regularly to benefit from their education. Missing out on lessons leaves children vulnerable to falling behind.

Breakfast Club and After School Child Care Club

Breakfast Club and After School club are available every day. Please ensure that you book this [the week before you need it](#). All information regarding these clubs is on the school website.

If your child is attending breakfast club please ensure that they are in school by 8.15am if they wish to have a breakfast as we are unable to provide breakfast after this time.

Please be aware that any cancellations must be given at least 48 hours in advance or unfortunately we will have to charge for the full session due to arranging staffing and purchasing food for these clubs.

This is due to ensuring staff costs are covered. Thanks for your understanding. In addition to this, please could we ask that you collect your child at the agreed time.

Many thanks for your co-operation.

Please also be aware that if you require the hour from 4.15pm to 5.15pm (for example, after a club) you will need to pay the full hour charge at £8.00 per child.



Family holidays and days out

Please do not book family holidays in term time. The school now has a policy of enforcing this very strictly, in accordance with government rules. If this is done without consultation with the school, you could be fined for unauthorised absence.

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Executive Headteacher

Mrs Rebecca Barker-Brown is our Executive Headteacher from September 2018.

Visible Learning

Children can request stickers if they think they have shown these learning behaviours:

A good learner :

Perseveres – doesn't give up – tries hard



Is motivated and curious – asks questions

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Understands what they are learning



Knows what to do when they are stuck

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Focuses and Notices

Collaborates with others



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| Friday | 21st September | School Council and Celebration Assembly for Year 5 (parents of these children are invited to attend) | 2.45pm |
| Tuesday | 25th September | Phonics information meeting for Reception and EYFS parents | 2.30pm |
| Friday | 28th September | School Council and Celebration Assembly for Year 4 (parents of these children are invited to attend) | 2.45pm |
| Wednesday | 3rd October | Harvest Festival at the Church—all welcome | 2pm |
| Friday | 5th October | School Council and Celebration Assembly for Year 3 (parents of these children are invited to attend) | 2.45pm |
| Friday | 12th October | School Council and Celebration Assembly for Year 2 (parents of these children are invited to attend) | 2.45pm |
| Friday | 19th October | School Council and Celebration Assembly for Year 1 (parents of these children are invited to attend) | 2.45pm |
| Monday | 22nd October | Half term | |
| Monday | 29th October | Inset Day | |
| Friday | 2nd November | School Council and Celebration Assembly for Reception (parents of these children are invited to attend) | |
| Monday | 5th November | School photos—children with siblings at 8.30am and portraits at 9am | 8.30am and 9am |
| Friday | 16th November | NHS—Nasal flu | 9am |
| Friday | 14th December | Christmas Church Service | 5pm |
| Thursday | 20th December | Last day of term | |
| Thursday | 7th February | KS2 trip to the Theatre Royal to see Matilda | pm |
| Monday | 11th March to 13th March | KS2 Residential trip to Bristol | |
| Monday | 29th April | Swimming until the 15th July | |

DIARY DATES

Inset Days 2018-19

Monday 29th October 2018

Monday 25th February 2019

Friday 7th June 2019

Thursday 25th July 2019

School Times

Please ensure that your children arrive at school for registration between 8.40am and 9am and are collected at 3.15pm unless they are registered at an after school club.

School doors open at 8.40am unless your child is booked into Breakfast Club.

All children in the Infant class must be brought into the classroom in the mornings, even if they are late. Children of this age must never be dropped at the gate on their own. Please walk up the steps and bring