

8 OCTOBER 2021: TRURO SCHOOL NEWS AND UPDATES

Pre-Prep Parents' Evening Meetings all week

## MONDAY 11 OCTOBER

Junior kayaking at Stithians reservoir  
1.30pm-4.25pm

Year 6 Parents' evening maths & English with  
subject teachers in dining hall 4pm-7pm

Cancelled after school club: Junior Art and  
Senior Rugby (due to parents evening)

## TUESDAY 12 OCTOBER

REARRANGED Year 4 walk St Anthony  
9.30am-3.30pm

Year 5 & 6 football v Archbishop Benson (H)  
3.40pm-4.45pm

Pre-Prep online Parents' evening via School  
Cloud 3.45pm-5.30pm

Year 6 online Parents' evening maths &  
English (via School Cloud) 4pm-7pm

## WEDNESDAY 13 OCTOBER

Year 4 Parents' evening maths & English with  
subject teachers in dining hall 4pm-7pm

Senior Football club for Year 6 only  
(due to parents' evening)

## THURSDAY 14 OCTOBER

U9 hockey festival at Plymouth Marjons (A)  
11.30am-5.30pm (event 1.30pm-3.30pm)

U9 rugby at Delgany playing fields, Plymouth  
(A) 12.00pm-5.30pm (event 2pm-3.30pm)

6LJ swimming at Truro School Pool  
1.30pm-3.30pm

Senior kayaking at Stithians reservoir  
1.30pm-4.25pm

Year 4 online Parents' evening maths &  
English (via School Cloud) 4pm-7pm



## Harvest Blessings

This week we have been focusing on the blessings of the harvest in our assemblies – both in the Head's Assembly and the Chapel Assembly.

Although we are still restricted in terms of indoor gatherings, the Rev conducted four separate assemblies on Wednesday morning: for Nursery and Reception; for Years 1 and 2; for Years 3 and 4 and also for Years 5 and 6, so although it was an unusual event, we were still able to celebrate this special time of year and show our thanks and gratitude for the harvest and for those who work on the land.

The Rev tested some of the children's spelling skills during the assemblies and Year 6 found out that it wasn't as easy as it first appeared when they had to present the words as a mirror image. The letters A, E, H, R, S, T, V were distributed and the children had to spell the following words as the text unfolded:

At this time, those of us fortunate enough to HAVE plenty of good things to EAT for our TEA and a warm place to HAVE a REST think of those who don't and even those who STARVE. We bring food to SHARE with people nearby who don't have enough to EAT for their TEA and can't provide for their families. Giving warms the HEART and means that others get to SHARE this HARVEST time.

This is also a season where we think about those, in our country and throughout the world, who do not have such easy access to good quantities of nourishing food and it is a time we gather together to practically help those who need support in these areas. Thank you to all the children and families who have provided food, hygiene products and dog/cat food that we will take to the Truro Food Bank.

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## Notices:

### 1. Electronic Devices

A reminder that electronic devices capable of accessing the internet should not be brought in to school, including smart watches.

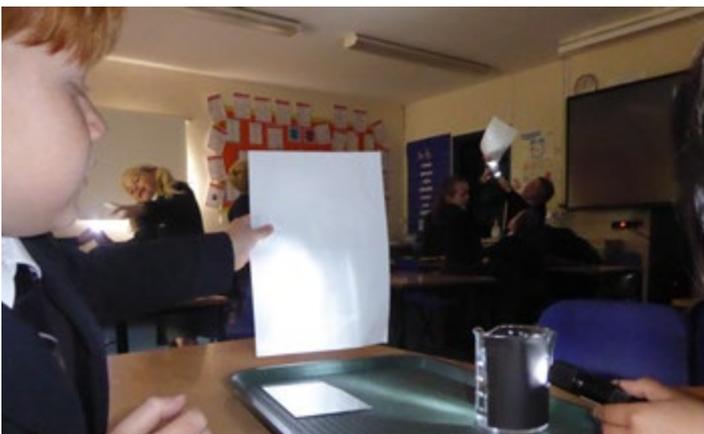
Only children who travel to school on public transport or on the school buses are permitted to bring in mobile phones or tablets which must be handed in to the Reception Office on arrival.

### 2. School Guidance in responding to potential positive Covid tests

The guidance on the following link is under regular review based on both Government policy and the reality of our local situation regarding Covid.

[Please click here to view the latest guidance.](#)

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Year 3 have been learning all about light. In their most recent lesson, they were trying to see the colours of the spectrum by shining a light through water. Unfortunately, the photos don't show this very well, but you can still see some enthusiastic faces!

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## Year 6 Investigate Chemical Reactions

Year 6 have been finding out all about chemical reactions. They discovered that two or more substances are needed for a chemical reaction to occur and that new substances are always made. Unlike physical reactions where no new substances are made, many chemical reactions are not easily reversible.

In this experiment they found that reacting ethanoic acid (vinegar to most of us) with sodium hydrogen carbonate (bicarbonate soda) produced a gas which was collected in a balloon. The gas was then tested with limewater to prove the new substance, carbon dioxide, was formed. They then spent some time discussing the full chemical reaction and the new products made.

Great fun, learning and curiosity was had by all!



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## Year 4 netball v Truro High School

'It wasn't about how good the children are, it was about developing skills, knowledge and confidence.'

It was fantastic to take all the Year 4 girls to Truro High School for their first netball fixture of the season. This was a special occasion – for most of them, it was their first experience of playing a netball match.

Our excited netballers were divided into three teams of five players, each playing several matches against the different Truro High School teams.

We followed England Netball's relatively straightforward format of 'Bee netball', which keeps court areas simple and contact time with the ball high. The best thing was that the children rotated their playing positions after each game, allowing them to experience different playing positions on court.

If you asked the children, they might say that the nicest thing about the afternoon was the chocolate muffin at the end – but for me, it was the fact that the afternoon was all about playing together, fairness and inclusion. It wasn't about how good the children are, it was about developing skills, knowledge and confidence.

Sally Luxton



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## Sport Information

### A MESSAGE FROM MR LORD

As sport at the Prep is slowly returning to normal in terms of on-site and off-site fixtures, I thought it would be pertinent to both inform new parents and remind others of Truro School Prep's stance on sport and fixtures.

In terms of school games lessons, from now until Easter, your children will be taught in their form groups for either rugby, football, hockey or netball. These will be taught on a half-termly rotation, so that by the end of the spring term, they will have accessed all of the sports on offer. In

the summer term, they will be taught both rounders and cricket. It is important to note that your child should have the correct kit for either hockey, football, netball or rugby throughout the autumn and spring terms in case of changes to the timetable.

During the course of the school year, we will also engage in fixtures against other schools. Our aim within these fixtures is to give as many children as possible the opportunity to represent the school, however, the main focus is on enjoyment and development for the children participating. As such, we try to arrange a variety of fixtures with varying standards of opposition.

If your child is selected to represent the school, you will be informed via clarion email, with details of the given fixture. This process is soon to be switched to the same system as the senior school, where you will be sent a link to the online password protected team sheet on MISOCs. Details of this will be sent shortly in a separate communication. A team sheet for fixtures will also be placed on the sports notice board for your child to read. We will aim to do this at least a week before the fixture takes place if it is during school time and at least two weeks before the fixture if it is outside of school hours. On occasions, fixtures are made with short notice and in these cases, details will be shared as soon as possible.

I would also like to address some concerns raised with regards to contact rugby within the school. Rugby has always been taught in a safe, controlled, progressive manner, following RFU regulations at all times. This year, due to development time missed during Covid-19 restrictions, all U18 rugby will follow the regulations for the year group below until January 1st.

What this means for Truro School Prep is the following:

Year 3: TAG rugby all year



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Year 4: TAG rugby up to Christmas, managed tackle introduced to the game in January.

Year 5: Up to Christmas there will be a managed tackle during a game; a player in possession of the ball may be tackled. If the player with the ball is still on their feet and the tackler still has hold of them, the referee will call tackle. They then have three seconds to either pass or go to ground. In January, a full tackle will be introduced.

Year 6: Up to Christmas, full contact rugby is played. Players may tackle, ruck and maul. Only one player from either team is allowed to contest the ball at a maul or ruck. After Christmas, the same rules will be applied, however, two players from either team may contest the ruck or maul.

I thought that this would also be a good opportunity to remind you of the fantastic array of sports clubs available at the Prep School as part of our sporting provision:

- Monday: Lunch time: Year 6 Netball 1.00-1.30pm  
After school: Senior Rugby and Junior Multi-Sports 4.00-5.00pm
- Tuesday: Lunch time: Junior Rugby 1.30-2.00pm  
After School: Junior Netball, Y3-6 Badminton 4.00-5.00pm
- Wednesday: Lunch time: Senior Water Polo 1.30-2.00pm  
After School: Senior Netball, Senior Football, Junior Cross Country 4.00-5.00pm
- Thursday: Lunch time: Beginners Badminton 1.30-2.00pm  
After School: Senior Cross Country, Junior Football 4.00-5.00pm
- Friday: Lunch time: Junior Hockey 1.30-2.00pm  
After School: Senior Hockey (at Truro School) 4.00-5.00pm

If you have any questions with regards to PE or games within the school please do not hesitate to contact either myself on [jlo@truroschoo.com](mailto:jlo@truroschoo.com) or Mrs Luxton on [sl@truroschoo.com](mailto:sl@truroschoo.com)

Best wishes,  
Josh Lord  
Boys' Games and Outdoor Education Coordinator



## Pre-Prep



The following pupils have been awarded with a Golden Book Certificate

Barney	Violet-Rose	Harleen	Malhar
Arabella	Catherine	Millie	Wilf
Ollie H	Henry S	Nola	

### Head's Commendations

**Archie 6AG** for English: for his detailed WW1 fact file homework- a tremendous effort and beautifully presented work, featuring the total numbers involved, a timeline of the main events, and animals in the war. Archie also shared a video about the role of horses in WW1 with the class, from the National Theatre War Horse production.

**Henry 6LJ** for English: for his brilliant working cardboard model of a WW1 tank and his video of the same tank in action, as well as his beautifully presented tank facts and sketches.

**Daisy 6LJ** for English: Great curiosity about WW1 from Daisy. She brought a fascinating black and white photo of her great, great grandfather - Algernon Cottam - into school, who was a Major General in WW1. She showed us a silver button that he was presented with during Christmas 1914 to commemorate the importance of his contribution to the war effort.

### House Point Form Champions

Dylan 3LL  
 Emmeline & Tilda 3SM  
 Alice & Otilie 4ME  
 Ayden 4SC  
 Will 5CD  
 Scarlett 5JL  
 Sam 5SL  
 Jack 6AG  
 Millie 6DG  
 Daisy 6LJ

Merit Awards



**Bronze Merit Awards**

**3LL:** Emmie, Woody, Amaya, William, Dylan

**4ME:** Alice, Raif, Jacob, Delilah, Edie, Jack, Jensen, Leo, Hetty

**5SL:** Lucy

**6DG:** Dan, William G, James, Rosie, Fredric

**6LJ:** Freddie



**Silver Merit Awards**

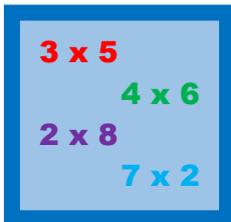
**3SM:** Alex, Rory

**4ME:** Delilah



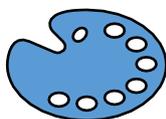
**Gold Merit Awards**

**4ME:** Delilah



**Times Table Challenge Certificates**

- 3LL:** Emmie, Sophie, Rozalia, Woody, William L, Henry, Amaya, Arthur, Albert
- 3SM:** Qaveem, Florence, Charlie, Miles, Aria, Emmeline, Alex, Ellie, Hugo, Oliver, Tilda, Rosie, Roen, Rory, Freddie, George
- 4ME:** Jacob, Delilah, Amelia
- 4SC:** Eleanor
- 5CD:** Otilie
- 5JL:** Stanley, Matipa, Joshua, Archie, Winnie
- 5SL:** Sam, Zain, Archie
- 6AG:** Chloe, Knox
- 6DG:** Dan
- 6LJ:** Isabella, Josephine, Daisy, Eyren, Monty



**Congratulations to the following pupils whose work has been chosen to go in the Gold Frame**

- 6DG:** Evie
- 6LJ:** Lois, Eli

Fantastic 'Big Picture Homework' by Will

**I Come From**

I come from Grandma's lipstick kisses  
 I come from Mum's warm hugs on our stripy sofas  
 I come from weekends with my brother and my crazy cousins

I come from homemade pepperoni pizza on Friday night  
 I come fish pie and peas on the side  
 I come from cheesy chips with my toes in the sand

I come from toasted marshmallows with the Cubs  
 I come from playing with school friends in the side woods  
 I come from salty days on a banana boat



I come from fights with Foster over Lego pieces.  
 I come from school mornings when I just want to stay in bed.  
 I come from travelling through books but being stuck in England because of the Coronavirus.

I come from north Cornish cliffs and stormy winds  
 I come from snorkeling with Dad at Trevellas Beach  
 I come from Nippers with Raph on a Thursday night

I come from a white house and a garden full of colours  
 I come from a wooden bunk and a pom pom garland we made together  
 I come from skating down my road (but I can be a scaredy cat sometimes)





MULTI SPORT

# ACTIVITY CAMP

*25th - 29th October 2021*

BUBBLE FOOTBALL,  
STREET SURFING,  
SWIMMING,  
NERF WARS,  
LOTS OF GAMES  
AND EVEN MORE FUN.



SIR BEN AINSLIE  
**SPORTS  
CENTRE**



**TRURO  
SCHOOL**



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OCTOBER HALF TERM

# CRICKET CAMPS

IN CORNWALL



## WHERE?

CORNWALL (INDOOR)  
CRICKET CENTRE

## WHO?

- MIXED & GIRLS ONLY CAMPS
- CAMPS FOR 5-15 YEAR OLDS

**MONEY BACK  
GUARANTEE  
IF CANCELLED**

## WHY?

A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO  
HAVE THE KIDS ENTERTAINED  
AND TO IMPROVE THEIR  
CRICKET SKILLS AND  
MATCH PLAY

FROM AS LOW AS

**£15**  
PER CHILD  
PER DAY

## WHAT?

SOFTBALL- EQUIPMENT PROVIDED  
HARDBALL- BRING OWN  
FULL PROTECTIVE GEAR

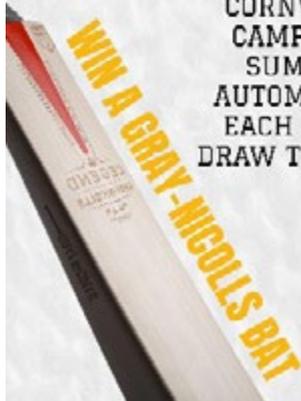
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ALL PARTICIPANTS TO RECEIVE 20%  
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& CORNWALL CRICKET CERTIFICATE

WIN ONE OF TWO GRAY-NICOLLS  
BATS BY SIMPLY ATTENDING  
CORNWALL CRICKET HOLIDAY  
CAMPS BETWEEN NOW AND  
SUMMER 2022. YOU'LL BE  
AUTOMATICALLY ENTERED FOR  
EACH TIME YOU PARTICIPATE.  
DRAW TO BE MADE AUGUST 2022

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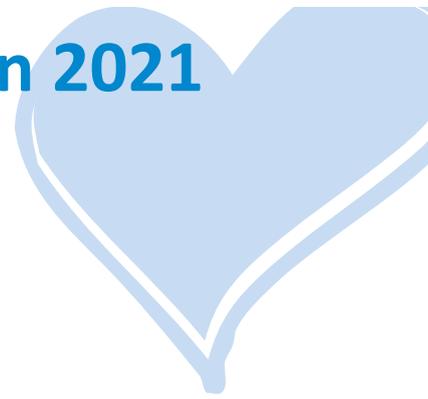
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# Early Help Newsletter – Autumn 2021

## Free information, support and guidance



### Parenting Support Courses

We are continuing to support parents and carers and offer interactive parenting courses both online and face to face groups to ensure we are offering a full service to parents / carers in the safest way. Service requests will continue to be received through the Early Help Hub.

[www.cornwall.gov.uk/earlyhelphub](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/earlyhelphub)

The courses available will be:

- **Being Passionate About Parenting - Early Years 1 - 3 years (3 x 1½ hours)**
- **Being Passionate About Parenting - 4 - 11 years (3 x 1½ hours)**
- **Being Passionate About Being Calm - 4 – 11 years (1 x 2 hours)**
- **Being Passionate About Parenting with basic introduction and an awareness to ADHD- 5 – 11 years (3 x 1½ hours)**
- **Being Passionate About Parenting with a basic introduction and awareness about the “Spectrum” 5 – 11 years (4 x 1½ hours)**
- **Being Passionate About Parenting – The Teenage Brain 12 -17 years (3 x 1½ hours)**
- **Take 3 – Supporting Teenagers 12 – 17 years (5 x 2 hours)**

### Future Highlight

- **Introduction to Teenagers with ADHD Traits**
- **Introduction to Teenagers with Autistic Traits**
- **Introduction to Teenagers with Sensory Challenges**

All 2 ½ hour sessions. These are optional add-on sessions following completion of Take 3 (if relevant).

### Just for Dads

You can also find information tailored just for you on the Family Information Service –

<https://www.supportincornwall.org.uk/fordads>

facebook

For further updates and information on what’s happening in your area visit us on Facebook:

[www.facebook.com/PenwithFamilyHubs](http://www.facebook.com/PenwithFamilyHubs)

[www.facebook.com/KerrierFamilyHubs](http://www.facebook.com/KerrierFamilyHubs)

[www.facebook.com/CarrickFamilyHubs](http://www.facebook.com/CarrickFamilyHubs)

[www.facebook.com/RestormelFamilyHubs](http://www.facebook.com/RestormelFamilyHubs)

[www.facebook.com/NorthCornwallFamilyHubs](http://www.facebook.com/NorthCornwallFamilyHubs)

[www.facebook.com/CaradonFamilyHubs](http://www.facebook.com/CaradonFamilyHubs)

### Family Information Services

For useful parenting information, updates on parenting programmes including face to face delivery and Parenting Podcasts please access the Family Information Service website –

[www.supportincornwall.org.uk](http://www.supportincornwall.org.uk)

### Need help?

Contact the Early Help Hub on 01872 322277 for support, advice and guidance.

**If you have immediate concerns or are worried about a child or young person's safety, please telephone the Multi Agency Referral Unit (MARU) on 0300 123 1116**





Parents and carers wellbeing workshops providing support to help you navigate the journey of raising a child in a fast-changing world. Delivered through a series of multimedia workshops for parents and carers living in Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly. Designed to help you get a better understanding of the everchanging world your child is growing up in, to guide you to available services and support and to promote helpful conversation.

For further information please visit:

[www.headstartkernow.org.uk](http://www.headstartkernow.org.uk)  
[www.facebook.com/TFFCornwall](https://www.facebook.com/TFFCornwall)



Parents can struggle at one time or another. For some, the challenges can be greater. You are not alone.

Home-Start's volunteers work alongside families just like yours to give compassionate and confidential support. They help people to regain the confidence to be the parents they want to be.

'Walk, Talk and Play' Groups in June and July to book your place contact:

[julia@homestartkernow.org.uk](mailto:julia@homestartkernow.org.uk)

or take a look at the website:

<http://homestartkernow.org.uk>

## Useful Links

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/childrens-services/early-help/useful-websites-for-early-help/>

Provides useful links to other areas of support.

<https://solihullapproachparenting.com/>

Access to resources about becoming a parent or being a parent from children aged 6 months to 19 years including children with additional needs and children's health and wellbeing.

Free Access Code: TAMAR

[www.autism.org.uk](http://www.autism.org.uk)

For families and individuals on the autism spectrum. Providing support, guidance and advice, as well as campaigning for improved rights, services and opportunities.

[www.adhdfoundation.org.uk](http://www.adhdfoundation.org.uk)

Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder Foundation actively promotes a strength-based approach to living successfully with ADHD and other 'neurodiverse minds', such as, dyslexia, dyspraxia, autism spectrum, dyscalculia and Tourette's syndrome.

[www.addiss.co.uk](http://www.addiss.co.uk)

The National Attention Deficit Disorder Information and Support Service. Providing people-friendly information and resources.

[www.pdasociety.org.uk](http://www.pdasociety.org.uk)

Pathological Demand Avoidance Society offer Information, support and training for PDA.

[PDA Together | Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/PDAtogether)

For parents and individuals to support and inform each other within the world of PDA.

[www.capt.org.uk](http://www.capt.org.uk)

The Child Accident Prevention Trust, working to reduce the number of children and young people killed, disabled or seriously injured in accidents.

If you would like this information in another format, please contact:

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