



**Boyton Primary School**

# Boyton Primary School Newsletter

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2023**



Dear Parents,

Firstly, it has been lovely seeing several children, who participated in the Bikeability a couple of weeks ago, cycling to school this week to be part of the Sustrans cycle to school initiative. I was really impressed to see all in helmets and even some fluorescent jackets. Superb! We are really happy to encourage more active travel to school...walking, cycling, horseback, scooting?!

Also, a huge thanks to our fantastic PTA for another very successful dog show!! It was lovely to see it so well supported and a very impressive £850 raised! Mrs Gilman and I would both like our own dog to bring next year! There is a great Harvest scarecrow competition to be involved with next!

You may have noticed Mrs Gilman out this week. We are part of a project linked with the Maths Hub and she has been involved with some great training this week! Acorns (Reception) and Birch (Y1 and 2) children will also benefit as Miss Cartmell will be introducing the Maths Hub 'Mastering number' programme from next week, which builds fluency/automaticity with number. Exciting stuff!

Thank you to all who were able to join us for the Early Reading Workshop at the beginning of the week. Hopefully you should all have access to the powerpoint and some useful resources now, if you weren't able to attend.

#### **Harvest assembly – Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October (9.10am)**

We would like to invite you all to our Harvest assembly on Tuesday. We hope to have it outside on the field...weather permitting. Alternatively, we will use the hall.

We are collecting for Launceston Food bank. Any contributions would be very gratefully received – please see attached for a reminder of possible items.

#### **Acorns/Birth Class - Great Reading with Grandparents!**

We would love to inspire our passion for books. We are looking for five willing grandparents to come in and share a favourite children's story with the class. Ideally, we'd like someone different for every day of the week, beginning on Monday 9th October, from 2.45pm! If you should know any grandparents - male or female who would like to help us out, please let Mrs Wood, Mrs Davies or Miss Cartmell know!

Finally, as always, please don't hesitate to get in touch if you should any worries or concerns. Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Davies



## Dates for Your Diary

Parent Consultations Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October pm for Acorn & Birch

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October pm for Chestnut

Boyton E-Safety Week is the week beginning 16<sup>th</sup> October

Outdoor Classroom Day Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

Anti-Bullying Week 13<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> November

Odd Socks Day Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November

Christmas Workshops in school Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December pm

Christmas Jumper Day Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December

## Forthcoming events

**Harvest Festival**

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October**

**9:15am**



## Brilliance at Boyton: This week's Stars



**Acorn**

Nathan



**Birch**

Percy

Lauren



**Chestnut**

Grace

Riley

Tabitha

**Whole School to Date**

**97.91%**

Acorns  
This Week

**97.56%**

Birch  
This Week

**100%**

Chestnut  
This Week

**100%**

## Useful Information

### Safeguarding

- All children have a right to be safe, no matter who they are or what their circumstances.
- Keeping children safe is everyone's responsibility.
- If you are concerned about a child, please speak to one of the Designated safeguarding Leads. If a child is in immediate danger contact the police on 999.



**Katherine Davies**  
Safeguarding Lead



**Jane Gilman**  
Deputy Safeguarding Lead

### Useful numbers

Early Help Hub	01872 322277
Citizens Advice	0344 411 1444
NSPCC	0808 800 5000
Childline	0800 1111
Addiction: Drug and Alcohol support	01579 340616 (24hrs)
Multi-Agency Referral Unit (MARU)	0300 123 1116 (If you are concerned about a child's safety)

## School Clubs

### Breakfast Club:

At Boyton, we are really lucky to have a fantastic Breakfast Club run by Ms Walker. Children can be dropped off from 8.15am and have a choice of breakfasts including cereals, toast, etc. It costs £2 a session. If you would like to book your child in, please email Mrs Wood.

[secretary@boyton.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:secretary@boyton.cornwall.sch.uk)

### After School Clubs:

#### Monday

Art Club Years 4 – 6

#### Wednesday

Lego Club Reception – Year 6

#### Thursday


Outdoor Learning – Limited to 12 and open to Years 1 – 6







# Online Safety – ‘Just Talk’ App

<https://www.commonsensemedia.org/app-reviews/justtalk-kids-safe-video-chat>

Parents' Guide to

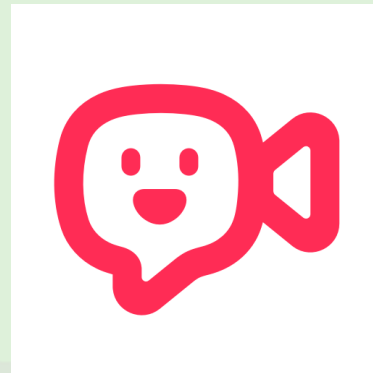
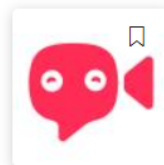
## JusTalk Kids - Safe Video Chat

By Patricia Monticello Kievlan, Common Sense Media Reviewer 

 age 13+     

Slimmed-down version of adult chat app; use with caution.

App | [iPhone](#), [iPod Touch](#), [iPad](#), [Android](#) | Free | [Social Networking](#)



### Talk to Your Kids About ...

- Families can talk about being smart about what and how they share online in general and in JusTalk Kids - Safe Video Chat. Read our Parent Concerns guide to Facebook, Instagram, and Social and start your family's own conversation about your family's rules for using social media.
- Talk about interacting safely and kindly online. How did your family choose your contacts? Why did we pick those people? What types of messages is it OK to send? What should you avoid?
- Discuss types of communication and what works best for different situations. What kind of communication works best in a messaging app? What's best over the phone or in person?

## PTA Update

### Round -up

A huge thank you to all who came and those who organised our yearly Boyton School Dog Show.

It was a great day with another big turnout, we raised just over £870. Well done everyone.

Looking forward we will be bringing back the Boyton Scarecrow competition, good fun for all the family.

We will be having our PTA meeting to discuss future events and school requests on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2023 at 19:30 at The Stumble Inn – All welcome.

## Future Events



# School Harvest Festival

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October - 9.10am**

## SHOPPING LIST

Milk (UHT or powdered)  
Fruit Juice (long life)  
Soup  
Pasta Sauces  
Tinned Sponge Pudding  
Tinned Vegetables  
Cereals  
Tinned Rice Pudding  
Tea Bags / Instant Coffee  
Instant Mash Potato  
Rice / Pasta  
Tinned Meat / Fish  
Tinned Fruit  
Jam  
Biscuits or Snack Bars



# SEN Corner

For new and existing parents and carers I think it is important that at the beginning of the year I highlight that all teachers at Boyton Primary are teachers of SEN. We are collectively responsible for ensuring each child has a first quality education that is appropriate for their learning needs.

If you have concerns regarding your child please go to your child's class teacher first they will support you or will direct you to myself. I am Sam Brooks the Special Educational Needs Coordinator at Boyton.

At the beginning of the year it is also important to direct you to our school website which under the 'Key information' tab has a SEND page with all of our current documents.

My contact details are [sbrooks@boyton.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:sbrooks@boyton.cornwall.sch.uk)

Other useful Links:

The Cornwall SEND local offer <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schools-and-education/special-educational-needs/cornwall-send-local-offer/>

SEND Information, Advice and Support Service (SENDIASS) and Independent Supporters with all parents. [www.cornwallsendiass.org.uk](http://www.cornwallsendiass.org.uk)



# Make a Difference Become a Parent Governor

## Why become a Parent Governor?

Governors have an important part to play in helping schools to run effectively. They work as part of a team with the Head of School and school staff to help provide a happy, safe and thriving learning environment and an excellent education for all the children.

As a Parent Governor, you will be well placed to understand parents' views and have first-hand knowledge of how the school is run. You will have the opportunity to work toward improving the school experience not only for your own child but for children in years to come.

This voluntary role can be challenging yet extremely rewarding and is a great way to build on your personal and professional skills. You will be supported in the role through training and mentoring allowing you to use your knowledge and experience to the full extent.

## What will you do?

You will work with the Local Governing Body (LGB) to develop the school's vision and priorities, review educational performance and make strategic decisions.

Parent Governors are representative parents rather than representatives of parents. You will not be expected to gather the views of other parents and take them to Governors meetings or to personally become involved in individual concerns. You will need to be able to present a balanced and impartial view, based on the benefits for all children.

Local governor meetings are held three times a year and may be combined with school visits focused on school priorities. You will receive reports from the headteacher and senior leaders and need to be able to question, challenge and support decisions. You will also be expected to visit the school as a governor which can be a quite different experience to visiting as a parent!

The governing body operates a code of conduct which sets an ethos of professionalism and high expectations of governors.

## What are we looking for?

We need enthusiastic and committed parents from a variety of backgrounds. You do not need leadership or education experience; just a desire to give back to the school and its community and a proactive approach to becoming involved as a member of a team.

## Next steps

If you are interested in finding out more, please contact Julia Stoneman Clerk to the Governors at [clerkjstoneman@gmail.com](mailto:clerkjstoneman@gmail.com)

# Acorn/Birch Class Update

Some great learning has been taking place in Acorn/Birch class this week. Using the journey tale of the Little Red Hen, we have been inventing our own stories this week. It has been great seeing confidence growing in terms of story-telling, writing stamina and use of basic punctuation – particularly with our Year 2s.

As our History focus is the Great Fire of London, this week we looked at the chronology of events from how the fire started and how long it lasted. The children were brilliant at remembering the days of the week and how long the fire lasted. Our Year 2s made their own timeline of events.

In Design Technology today, we have been consolidating our knowledge of stable structures. We have enjoyed investigating the use of triangles to make a structure strong!

As always, if you have any questions about your child's learning for this year, please get in touch!  
Have a lovely weekend!  
Mrs Davies and Miss Cartmell



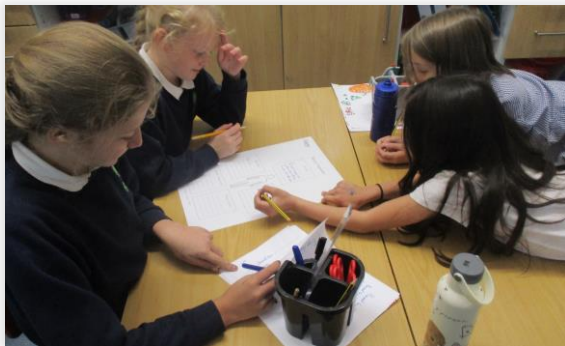
# Chestnut Class Update

Chestnuts have had another great week of learning this week; they have been innovating their story openings of The Iron Man and have shown a deep understanding of the original text. In maths, they have been exploring the use of different strategies to solve addition and subtraction questions. The children have written some impressive Harvest poems in preparation for our Harvest Festival next week – we look forward to performing some of these to you!

As part of our PSHE learning this week, we have been discussing how we can show respect to others around us and why this is important.

We had another amazing music session with Mr. Harrison – thank you for your support with the ukulele practice at home! Our supply teacher was very impressed with the children's behavior and their attitude to learning this week, so well done to everyone!

Have a lovely weekend!  
Mrs. Gilman





# School Calendar 2023/2024

## Cornwall Council

### 2023/2024 School Term Dates for Community and Voluntary-Controlled Schools



September 2023						
Mon	4	11	18	25		
Tue	5	12	19	26		
Wed	6	13	20	27		
Thurs	7	14	21	28		
Fri	8	15	22	29		
Sat	9	16	23	30		
Sun	10	17	24			

October 2023						
Mon	2	9	16	23	30	
Tue	3	10	17	24	31	
Wed	4	11	18	25		
Thurs	5	12	19	26		
Fri	6	13	20	27		
Sat	7	14	21	28		
Sun	8	15	22	29		

November 2023						
Mon		6	13	20	27	
Tue		7	14	21	28	
Wed	1	8	15	22	29	
Thurs	2	9	16	23	30	
Fri	3	10	17	24		
Sat	4	11	18	25		
Sun	5	12	19	26		

#### School holidays

#### Bank holidays

Christmas Day	25 December 2023
Boxing Day	26 December 2023
New Years Day	01 January 2024
Good Friday	29 March 2024
Easter Monday	01 April 2024
May Bank Holiday	05 May 2024
Spring Bank Holiday	27 May 2024
Summer Bank Holiday	26 August 2024

December 2023						
Mon	4	11	18	25		
Tue	5	12	19	26		
Wed	6	13	20	27		
Thurs	7	14	21	28		
Fri	8	15	22	29		
Sat	9	16	23	30		
Sun	10	17	24			

January 2024						
Mon	1	8	15	22	29	
Tue	2	9	16	23	30	
Wed	3	10	17	24	31	
Thurs	4	11	18	25		
Fri	5	12	19	26		
Sat	6	13	20	27		
Sun	7	14	21	28		

February 2024						
Mon	5	12	19	26		
Tue	6	13	20	27		
Wed	7	14	21	28		
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23		
Sat	3	10	17	24		
Sun	4	11	18	25		

#### AUTUMN TERM (72 days)

4 September - 19 December 2023  
(HALF TERM 23-27 October 2023)

#### SPRING TERM (55 days)

4 January - 28 March 2024  
(HALF TERM 12-16 February 2024)

#### SUMMER TERM (67 days)

15 April - 24 July 2024  
(HALF TERM 27-31 May 2024)

March 2024						
Mon	4	11	18	25		
Tue	5	12	19	26		
Wed	6	13	20	27		
Thurs	7	14	21	28		
Fri	8	15	22	29		
Sat	9	16	23	30		
Sun	10	17	24	31		

April 2024						
Mon	1	8	15	22	29	
Tue	2	9	16	23	30	
Wed	3	10	17	24	31	
Thurs	4	11	18	25		
Fri	5	12	19	26		
Sat	6	13	20	27		
Sun	7	14	21	28		

May 2024						
Mon	6	13	20	27		
Tue	7	14	21	28		
Wed	1	8	15	22	29	
Thurs	2	9	16	23	30	
Fri	3	10	17	24	31	
Sat	4	11	18	25		
Sun	5	12	19	26		

June 2024						
Mon	3	10	17	24		
Tue	4	11	18	25		
Wed	5	12	19	26		
Thurs	6	13	20	27		
Fri	7	14	21	28		
Sat	8	15	22	29		
Sun	9	16	23	30		

July 2024						
Mon	1	8	15	22	29	
Tue	2	9	16	23	30	
Wed	3	10	17	24	31	
Thurs	4	11	18	25		
Fri	5	12	19	26		
Sat	6	13	20	27		
Sun	7	14	21	28		

August 2024						
Mon	5	12	19	26		
Tue	6	13	20	27		
Wed	7	14	21	28		
Thurs	8	15	22	29		
Fri	9	16	23	30		
Sat	10	17	24	31		
Sun	11	18	25			

195 days are included on the school calendar. Schools will be open to pupils for 190 days. The five additional days are allotted for In-Service Training (INSET). Schools allocate their own INSET days.

# School Lunch Menu First Term September 2023

	WEEK 1 06/09/2023 25/09/2023 16/10/2023	WEEK 2 11/09/2023 02/10/2023	WEEK 3 18/09/2023 09/10/2023
M O N D A Y	Chicken Wrap ( G/F) or Cheese Wrap choice of sauces BBQ or Mayo Seasoned Wedges , Peas, Sweetcorn Jam Sponge and Custard	Chicken Burger In a bun Cheese and tomato Pasta Seasoned wedges, sweetcorn, peas Strawberry Mousse	Pepperoni or cheese & Tomato Pizza Noisette Potatoes , baked beans , Sweetcorn Homemade Choc Brownie
T U E S D A Y	Meatballs in Rich Tomato Sauce with Spaghetti Tomato Pasta Bake (V) Carrots , Broccoli Jacket Potato with choice of fillings Jelly and Ice cream	Sausage & Mash Quorn Sausage & Mash Carrots , Peas Strawberry Meringue and Ice cream	Homemade Meat & Potato Pie Boiled potatoes,carrots, Broccoli Cheese & Onion Pie (V) Summer Fruit Mousse
W E D N E S D A Y	Roast Gammon, stuffing balls Roast potatoes, Cabbage , Carrots, Gravy Quorn Sausage Apple Crumble and Custard	Roast Beef, Yorkshire pudding Roast potatoes,seasonal Veg Quorn sausage Toad in the Hole Fruit Jelly & Cream	Roast Chicken , Stuffing Balls Roast Potatoes, Cauliflower cheese (G/F) , Seasonal veg Cheese Whirl (V) Choc Sponge & Icecream
T H U R S D A Y	Chicken Kebab, Pitta Bread & Salad Noisette Potatoes & Sweetcorn Quorn Chicken Pieces , Pitta Bread & Salad Homemade Choc Crispie	Chicken Curry (G/F) , Rice & Naan Bread Carrots & Peas Jacket Potato, Choice of Fillings Homemade scones Jam & Cream	Chicken Goujons with sweet & Sour Sauce Rice,Peas & Sweetcorn Quorn chicken Pieces with Sweet & Sour sauce Summer fruit meringue & cream
F R I D A Y	Hot Dogs and Onions in a bread roll Quorn Hot dog and onions in a bread roll Chips, Baked Beans, Peas Blueberry cake	Southern fried chicken goujons Cheese or Ham Panini Curly fries,baked beans,garden peas, tomato ketchup Trifle	Sausage & Chips Quorn sausage & Chips baked beans, peas Pineapple upside down cake & Custard

Everyday there is also the option of a **Jacket Potato** or **Tomato Pasta**

## Do you have a child born **between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020?**

If so, you will need to apply for a place in a reception class in September 2024 for that child by the deadline of **15 January 2024**.

The deadline for applications is **15 January 2024**



**Please note:** you will need to apply even if your child attends a school's nursery or pre-school class. If a school is oversubscribed the fact that a child attends a school's nursery or pre-school, or a local nursery or pre-school, does not automatically guarantee a place at that school. The school's oversubscription criteria will be used to allocate places. Visit our website or contact us for more information.

Visit [www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions) for more information and to access the online application system

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## Starting school September 2024

Applying for a place in a reception class for children born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020

The deadline for applications is **15 January 2024**



### Attending a nursery or pre-school

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### Information and guidance

Website and application form: [www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions)

Email: [schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk)

Post: School Admissions Team, County Hall, Truro, TR1 3AY

Telephone: 0300 1234 101

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



## Applying for a **reception class** place for **September 2024**

### Special Educational Needs

If an Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plan has been issued for your child you do not need to complete an application form. Please contact the Statutory SEN Service for more information: Tel: 01872 324242. Email: [statutorysen@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:statutorysen@cornwall.gov.uk)

### 1 Decide on your preferred schools

You are strongly advised to name **three** preferences on the application form. **Naming a second or third preference does not give you any less chance of getting a place at your preferred school.** When making your decision you should...

...think about **how you will get your child to school.** Go to [www.cornwall.gov.uk/schooltransport](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schooltransport) for more information on whether your child would be entitled to home to school travel assistance.

...look at the **admission arrangements** on our website that will be used to allocate places for each school.

...consider naming your **nearest or designated school** as one of your preferences. You can find your nearest or designated school on our website.

...look at the detailed **admissions information** on our website, also available on request.

### 2 Submit your application by 15 January 2024

Apply online at [www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions)

### 3 Wait to find out which school you have been allocated

If you applied on time you will be notified of your allocation on **National Offer Day: 16 April 2024. Apply on time!** Late applications will only be dealt with after National Offer Day and there may not be any places left at your preferred schools.

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The  
deadline for  
applications is  
**31 October  
2023**

# Transfer to secondary school

September 2024

Applying for a place  
in year seven at a  
secondary school



## Information and guidance

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## Applying for a **secondary school** place for **September 2024**

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