

Boyton Primary School



Boyton Primary School Newsletter

Friday 16th May 2025



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Dear Parents,

Firstly, huge congratulations to our amazing year 6s for their calm and committed approach to undertaking their Year 6 SATs this week. All have worked so hard and have really impressed all with their maturity and dedication!

Today, we welcome Joyce! (Unfortunately, the newsletter will be sent out to parents before her visit, but we will share more on Class Dojo.). Joyce was an evacuee in Boyton during WW2 and it will be a super opportunity for the children to hear about her experiences and life in Boyton School over 70 years ago! It's a very apt visit following our VE Day celebrations last week.

Place Architect 'Bridges' Competition

Next week, on Thursday, Chestnut children will be participating in the annual 'Place Architects' competition. The brief is simple; '**bridges**' - but with consideration of sustainability and architectural form. [Children's Architectural Model Competition 2025 - PLACE architects](#) (Please read on for more information!) This is always a great event to take part in – we have done very well in the past! We will be constructing the bridges in school and would appreciate any junk modelling materials to support this. Thank you! The children's efforts will be displayed at the Northgate Studios in Launceston for you to go and visit if you wish!

We have some exciting trips coming up for all classes in the second half of the term. Chestnuts are visiting '**Discovery 42**' in Bodmin – a Science, Art and Sustainability Museum on **Wednesday 11th June '25** and Mrs Gilman is planning a trip to Launceston Castle - more information to follow shortly. Catkins will also be having a trip and we're just awaiting confirmation!

As you are aware, we have one more week to go, breaking up for half-term on Friday 23rd May. School resumes for children on Tuesday 3rd June. (Staff have INSET on Monday 2nd)

As always, please don't hesitate to get in touch if you should have any queries or concerns.

We wish you a lovely weekend – in the sunshine?!

Best wishes

Mrs Davies kdavies@andaras.org



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Boyton Primary School

You are invited to take part in the

CHILDREN'S ARCHITECTURAL MODEL COMPETITION

Anyone aged 4–11 in Cornwall & Devon can join in by building a model and bringing it along to be judged at the annual competition in Launceston.

This year's theme is:

BRIDGES



1st prize – 2025 trophy
and a prize



2nd prize – Books and
goodies

LOTS OF PRIZES TO BE WON!

BUILD YOUR BRIDGE

It can be as big as a chair or
as small as a match box.

Will it be a high suspension
bridge or does it have low
arches?

Glue it, staple it, collage it
from drawings, hook it like a
chain, or something else!

CHESTNUTS - IMPORTANT!

Please can children bring in anything that
could be useful in the construction?!



Dates for Your Diary

10.6.25 – Class photos (Tempest)
11.6.25 – Chestnuts trip to 'Discovery 42'
13.6.25 – Arena - Alternative Sports Day for all children
17.6.25 – Earth Tribe day (Chestnuts)
26.6.25 – Whole school trip to the Woodland Skill Centre (Sadly postponed due to unforeseen circumstances)
27.6.25 – Whole School beach day at Widemouth
30th June – 2nd July – Year 5/6 Residential
8.7.25 – Harry Potter World trip
15.7.25 – EYFS/KS1 Superhero day!
14.7.25 – Y1-4 School Camp
15.7.25 – Y5/6 School Camp

Forthcoming events

Welly Wednesdays – every Wednesday bring wellies to school!

INSET – no school for children - Monday 2nd June

Place Architect Exhibition - 24th- 1st June

Brilliance at Boyton: This week's stars



Acorn / Birch – Libby, Fernley, George



Chestnuts – Logan, Victoria, Lauren

Whole School to Date

96.04%

Acorns
This Week

100%

Birch
This Week

96.3%

Chestnut
This Week

89.95%

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 Tracy. 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 let Mrs Basford in the school office know.

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After School Clubs Summer Term 2025

Monday – Mountain biking club (Year 1 – Year 6)

Tuesday - Film club - Miss Kinver (Reception to Year 6)

Thursday – Running club– Mrs Davies (Year 1 to Year 6)

This Week's Learning Power focus!

This week our focus has been on being a reflective learner. These are learners who think back on prior learning to apply previously learnt skills or knowledge to new learning. A reflective learner is also critical on their outcome and may be able to identify ways in which they can improve it next time.

Visible Learning at Boyton!

'I look back in my book to reflect on my learning – this helps me make links and remember new facts and skills.' Lizzie

Reflective Robin



Catkins Update

Hello everyone!

The Catkins and Acorns have been very busy continuing to learn about plants this week. We have learned about what plants need to be healthy and strong, as well as using last week's learning of plant body parts to draw and write about them. We all acted out how a seed becomes a plant, and are beginning to see some growth in our little bean seeds that we planted last week for a science experiment. We finished our beautiful sunflower collage, then painted, snipped, chalked and finger-painted some beautiful flowers out in our sunny garden.

Here are some pictures of our week for you to enjoy.

Well done Catkins and Acorns. Another lovely week.



Acorn/Birch Class Update

Acorns and Birch have been enjoying our outdoor space this week, especially our orienteering on Thursday with Birch and lots of outdoor learning with Acorns!

In English, Birch have been using adjectives to describe a character from our new book, *Lost and Found*, and have been adding -ed to the end of verbs to change them to the past tense. They then retold the story so far to a partner, using the past tense verbs. Acorns have been writing some fantastic sentences in Drawing Club, inspired by the Enormous Turnip story!

In maths, Acorns have been counting beans to match the numerals and Birch have been finding the correct coins and notes to make an amount of money.

In History, we looked at the timeline to see when Launceston Castle was built and found out about Richard, Earl of Cornwall – ask us what we found out about him and how he played an important role in the history of Launceston!

In Art, we used charcoal and oil pastels to produce some amazing observational drawings of insects, looking closely at their structure.

Please let me know if you have any questions about anything.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs. Gilman



Chestnut Class Update

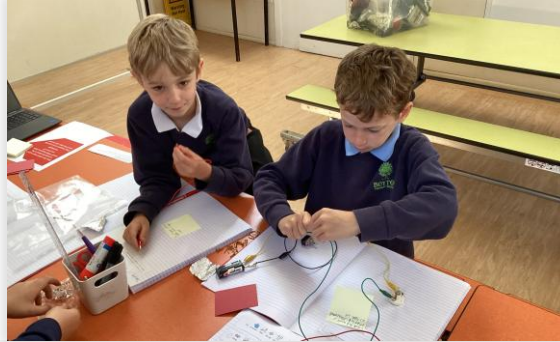
During our Maths learning this week, the Yr 3/4 children have started a new topic of decimals, where they were building on previous knowledge to show tenths as a fraction, decimal and on a place value chart. They then explored hundredths and how these are different from tenths.

During their English learning this week, the children used a range of writing techniques such as expanded noun phrases and adverbial starters - to explain the connections between Leila and Miso and the lengths she would go to protect her. The also have focused on using powerful vocabulary, that creates strong, emotive pictures to the reader.

During the Yr 3/4 Science learning, the children continued developing their knowledge regarding circuits and how to make a switch, which they all managed successfully. Whereas, the Yr 5/6 learnt about nutrients and water is carried and absorbed into the body.

We had some really interesting discussions in PSHE, where the children looked at how we can help improve our environment by looking at the seven 'R's'. The Yr 5/6's learnt some valuable lessons on first aid and how to help a friend in need who is having an asthma attack, broken a bone or burnt themselves.

Congratulations to ALL the Yr 6 children, who have done brilliantly this week – they should feel very proud!
Have a lovely weekend.





www.childnet.com

NSPCC

www.nspcc.org.uk/



www.swgfl.org.uk/resources/online-safety-posters



The NHS Mental Health Support Team invites you to book your place on our: Year 6 Transition Workshop

This is an hour long online session aimed at parents and carers. The session covers how to help and support young people with the transition to secondary school.

*Please note this group is open to parents/carers of children in Year 6 only

Upcoming Sessions:

- Tuesday 20 May at 11am or 1:30pm
- Monday 2 June at 10:00am
- Thursday 12 June at 1:30pm

To request a place, please complete the online form or scan the QR code provided:
<https://forms.office.com/e/qEEGC8PpTd>



Sign up will close 1 week before the workshop date

School Menu

WEEK 1

22/04/2025 12/05/2025

MONDAY

Cheese & Tomato Pizza or Cheese & Ham Pizza
Diced Herby Potatoes, Peas, Baked Beans

Chocolate Chip Cookies

TUESDAY

chicken Wraps, Wedges, Peas, Sweetcorn
Cheese or Tuna Wrap

Chocolate Brownie

WEDNESDAY

Roast Gammon, Stuffing Balls
Roast potatoes, Cabbage, Carrots, Gravy
Quorn Sausage.

Ice Cream & Sauce

THURSDAY

Homemade Sausage Rolls
New Potatoes, Peas, Baked Beans
Quorn Sausage Roll

Jelly & Cream

FRIDAY

Breaded Fish
Chips, baked beans, peas
Cheese and tomato pizza

Chocolate Crispie

WEEK 2

28/04/2025 19/05/2025

Panini with choice of filling Cheese, Tuna or Ham
Diced Potatoes, Peas, Sweetcorn

Strawberry Mousse

Meatballs in rich tomato sauce with spaghetti
Peas & Sweetcorn.
Quorn mince in rich tomato sauce with spaghetti

Homemade Chocolate Brownie

Roast Chicken, Stuffing Balls
Roast potatoes, seasonal Veg
Quorn Chicken Pieces.

Ice Cream & Sauce

Panini Pizza Slices, Cheese & Tomato or Cheese & Ham
Wedges, Baked Beans, Peas

Choc chip Muffins

Fish Fingers
Chips, Peas, Baked beans
Pasta Bake

Choc chip cookies

WEEK 3

06/05/2025

Southern fried Chicken Goujons
Diced Herby Potatoes, peas, Baked beans
Cheese & Tomato Pizza

Choc Chip Cookies

Hot Dog in a roll
Wedges, baked beans, Sweetcorn
Quorn Sausage in a roll

Chocolate Mousse

Roast Beef, Yorkshire Pudding,
Roast Potatoes, Seasonal veg
Quorn Sausage Toad in the hole

Ice Cream & sauce

Lasagne, Garlic Bread, Peas, Sweetcorn
Pasta Bake

Vanilla Muffins

Fishcake
Chips, Baked beans, peas.
Quorn Sausage

Homemade Chocolate Brownie

School Calendar 2024/2025

Cornwall Council

2024/2025 School Term Dates for Community and Voluntary-Controlled Schools



September 2024						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tue		3	10	17	24	
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	

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

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

School holidays

Bank holidays

Christmas Day	25 December 2024
Boxing Day	26 December 2024
New Years Day	01 January 2025
Good Friday	18 April 2025
Easter Monday	21 April 2025
May Bank Holiday	05 May 2025
Spring Bank Holiday	26 May 2025
Summer Bank Holiday	25 August 2025

December 2024						
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	

January 2025						
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		

February 2025						
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		
Sun		9	16	23		

AUTUMN TERM (74 days)

3 September - 20 December 2024
(HALF TERM 28 October - 1 November 2024)

SPRING TERM (60 days)

6 January - 4 April 2025
(HALF TERM 17-21 February 2025)

SUMMER TERM (61 days)

22 April - 23 July 2025
(HALF TERM 26-30 May 2025)

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.

March 2025						
Mon		3	10	17	24	31
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	

April 2025						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thurs	3	10	17	24		
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
Sun	6	13	20	27		

May 2025						
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	30	
Sat	3	10	17	24	31	
Sun	4	11	18	25		

June 2025						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tue		3	10	17	24	
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	

July 2025						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thurs	3	10	17	24	31	
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
Sun	6	13	20	27		

August 2025						
Mon		4	11	18	25	
Tue		5	12	19	26	
Wed		6	13	20	27	
Thurs		7	14	21	28	
Fri	1	8	15	22	29	
Sat	2	9	16	23	30	
Sun	3	10	17	24		