

Boyton Primary School

Boyton Primary School Newsletter

Friday 21st March 2024



Dear Parents,

I can't believe it's the last week of the Spring Term already!

It's been lovely seeing many of you this week for parent meetings. It's always a really useful opportunity to celebrate children's progress and chat about next steps. Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you were unable to attend.

This week, the Year 5s and 6s this week had a super day working towards their '**Earth Tribe Leadership Award**'. I know they have lots of plans that they would like to develop around the school and I will be meeting with them soon so that we can start putting their actions into motion!

On the same day, Mr Lyle also visited from Launceston College. It was a really good opportunity for the Year 6's to start thinking about new routines/expectations in September. This is an exciting time for them – but can also pose new worries. Do chat to us if your child is feeling a little apprehensive.

Next week, on the last day, all are invited to come and watch the children's dance performances. We're hoping to perform them on the field...sunshine please! Children can wear **non-school uniform on the last day** but please can they all bring **black/ dark coloured leggings/ top/ t-shirt for their dance**. Thank you!

Also, don't forget, this evening - Friday 22nd March – it's the PTA School Bingo, taking place in Boyton Parish Hall at 7pm. All are welcome!! Read on for more information.

We have some sad and happy news. Mrs Walker, who has worked at the school for many, many years is moving on to pastures new. We wish her all the best with her next adventure. We also welcome Mrs Basford - our new secretary. She is already proving to be an invaluable member of the team and is quickly learning all the different aspects of the job!

Finally, a huge thanks to Justine and Emma who have very kindly given up their Monday afternoons to run Craft club. They will be having a well-deserved break after the Easter hols! Huge thanks to them both!

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

We wish you a lovely weekend!

Best wishes

Mrs Davies head@boyton.cornwall.sch.uk

Dates for Your Diary

Friday 22nd March – PTA Easter Bingo!

Thursday 28th March – last day of term

Monday 15th April - INSET

Tuesday 16th April – Summer term resumes

13th – 16th May KS2 SATS week

Wednesday 1st May to Friday 3rd May - Year 5 residential

22nd – 24th May -Year 6 residential to Bristol

Forthcoming events

No clubs in the last week of term

Thursday 28th March

Children can wear non-school uniform – please can all bring black/ dark coloured clothes for the dance.

Easter bonnet/hat competition for any who fancy it! (Read on!)

Brilliance at Boyton: This week's Stars



Acorn / Birch

Fernley

Charlotte

Sofia



Chestnut

Sybil

Ryan

Mazie

Whole School to Date	93.68%
Acorns This Week	90.48%
Birch This Week	85.71%
Chestnut This Week	85.51%

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 or Mrs Billing. 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.

secretary@boyton.cornwall.sch.uk

After School Clubs Spring 2 Term 2024:

Monday

Film Club

Tuesday

Craft Club *Limited to 12*

Thursday

Cycling / Mountain biking

Useful information about helping children stay safe with their phones.

Online Safety

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers/phones#:~:text=What%20can%20I%20do%20to,visit%20Internet%20Matters'%20Smartphone%20Guides.>

Top tips



Talk with your child about responsible use of their phone

Discuss what is okay and not okay to use their phone for. Talk about time limits and expectations of where the device can and cannot be used, this could include things like the phone being charged outside their bedroom overnight.



Discuss what to do if something upsetting or worrying happens

Give them the strategies they need in case something concerning happens whilst they are using their device. This could be to lock the screen and tell an adult, to make a report to the platform they are using, or to block the user.



Explore parental controls

Take a look at the controls available both on the phone itself and on your home Wi-Fi. Talk these through with your child too. Parental controls are a helpful tool, but an open conversation with your child is the most important thing.

Easter Bonnet/Hat parade

For any who fancy taking part, on the last day of term, we will be having an Easter Bonnet/Hat Catwalk parade!



PTA Update



Future Events

Friday 22nd March at 7.00 p.m. Bingo!

June – Bags2Schools – Start collecting!!!

**For more info visit our Facebook Page:
Boyton PTA Events**

BAG 2 SCHOOL
FREE FUNDRAISING FOR SCHOOLS
In partnership with your school or organisation



Boyton Primary School
Bag 2 School is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality second-hand clothing and we have arranged to make a collection from your school. All the bags will be weighed and you will be paid for the total weight collected. Remember, the more you collect the greater the benefit to your school.



PLEASE USE YOUR OWN BAGS (THERE IS NO LIMIT).



When the clothes have been removed from the bag the plastic will be packed and sent for recycling.

We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE:
Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories.
(No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)

The more we weigh the more we pay!
Extra bags are welcome - there's no limit!

Please return your Bag2School on:

Tuesday 25th June 2024 by 9am

01609 780 222 www.bag2school.com helpdesk@bag2school.com

Chestnuts Class Update

We've had another great week of learning in Chestnuts! On Tuesday, Debbie from Arena spent the day with the year 5s and 6s to teach them all about becoming an Earth Tribe Leader. This involved completing a survey of our outdoor area to see how many animals are living in the wild. We discovered that there weren't that many here, so we are going to improve our outdoor learning areas to encourage more animals to our school.

In maths, we have been continuing our learning about decimals, which has included using money.

We have all written fantastic sentences using conjunctions to link ideas together in years 3 and 4 and relative clauses in year 5 and 6.

Continuing with our history topic about the Trojan Horse, we have looked at evidence from the past to identify whether or not it is authentic – a great historian skill to have!

Have a lovely weekend,
Mrs. Gilman



Acorns /Birch Class Update

We've had a super week in Birch/ Acorn Class. Acorn children are really enjoying their Little Wandle phonic sessions and particularly the reading element. They were really enthusiastic to bring home their brand new books yesterday. Please encourage your child to read them with you and then bring the books back! Thank you!

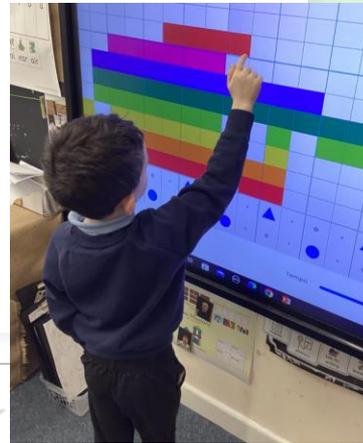
They are also loving Drawing Club and this week have been inspired by the story, 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. It's great to see them really beginning to apply their growing confidence of writing with such imaginative ideas!

Birch children have been writing poetry this week, inspired by the story, 'If all the world were...'. Again, we have been really impressed with their determination to try and write more figuratively!

We had great fun investigating magnetism in Science this week. I was really impressed with their use of scientific vocabulary. We also used 'Explorify' to promote discussion. It was great listening to the children explain why cardboard shoes wouldn't be good, as 'they would absorb the water' or the chocolate teapot 'would melt!' <https://explorify.uk>

We also had great fun in music this week, using technology to start building rhythms for our 'Grandma's rap', plus, in RE, acted out how Christians believe that Jesus is like a bridge between God and humans on Earth. Good stuff!

Wishing you a very lovely weekend!
Miss Cartmell and Mrs Davies.



New Spring Term Menu

Starting on week 1

	WEEK 1 19/02/2024 11/03/2024	WEEK 2 26/02/2024 18/03/2024	WEEK 3 04/03/2024 25/03/2024
M O N D A Y	Cheese & Tomato Pizza or Cheese & Ham Pizza Diced Herby Potatoes, Peas, Baked Beans Chocolate Chip Muffins	Burger in a Bun Potato Wedges, Baked beans, Sweetcorn. Veggie Burger in a Bun Strawberry Mousse	Southern fried Chicken Goujons Diced Herby Potatoes, peas, Baked beans Cheese & Tomato Pizza Choc Chip Cookies
T U E S D A Y	Homemade Lasagne, Garlic Bread Peas & Sweetcorn Creamy Tomato Pasta Bake Ice Cream & Fruit Salad	Panini with choice of fillings Cheese, Ham or Tuna Diced Potato, Peas , Baked Beans Vanilla Sponge & Custard	Sausage & Mash Green Beans, Carrots, Gravy Quorn Sausage. Apple Crumble & Custard
W E D N E S D A Y	Roast Gammon, Stuffing Balls Roast potatoes, Cabbage , Carrots, Gravy Quorn Sausage. Homemade chocolate crispie	Roast Chicken, Stuffing Balls Roast potatoes,seasonal Veg Quorn Chicken Pieces. Jelly & Fruit salad	Roast Beef, Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes, Seasonal veg Quorn Sausage Toad in the hole Ice Cream & Strawberry sauce
T H U R S D A Y	Homemade Sausage Rolls Mash Potato, Peas , Baked Beans Quorn Sausage Roll Jelly & Cream	Homemade Cheese & Onion quiche New Potatoes, Peas, Sweetcorn Ice cream & Toffee sauce	Cheese & Tomato Pizza or Cheese & Ham Pizza Curly Fries, Baked Beans, sweetcorn. Vanilla Muffins
F R I D A Y	Breaded Fish Chips , baked beans , peas Cheese and tomato pizza Choc Chip Cookies	Fish Fingers Chips, Peas , Sweetcorn Pasta Bake Fruit Meringue	Chicken Goujons & Chips Quorn Sausage & Chips Baked beans, peas. Homemade Chocolate Brownie

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

Vacancies At Boyton

We have two New Staff vacancies at Boyton School

Here is the link to the AnDaras vacancies page.

https://www.andaras.org/web/current_vacancies/522193

to find out more of the details.

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	31

October 2023				
Mon	2	9	16	23
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

November 2023				
Mon	6	13	20	27
Tue	7	14	21	28
Wed	1	8	15	22
Thurs	2	9	16	23
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	31

January 2024				
Mon	1	8	15	22
Tue	2	9	16	23
Wed	3	10	17	24
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
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
Tue	2	9	16	23
Wed	3	10	17	24
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
Thurs	2	9	16	23
Fri	3	10	17	24
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
Tue	2	9	16	23
Wed	3	10	17	24
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	1	8	15	22
Fri	2	9	16	23
Sat	3	10	17	24
Sun	4	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.

MARCH 2024

Saturday 2nd	Marie Curie Coffee morning Bring & Buy Cake Stall, Books, bric a brac, Raffle At The Church Hall 10am-12md (Everyone welcome)
Wednesday 6th	Just for Fun Table Tennis At the Church Hall 7.30pm (Everyone welcome)
Thursday 7th	Coffee Morning At the Methodist Church 10.00am (Everyone welcome)
Thursday 7th	Mobile Library Opposite the Methodist Church 11.50am -12.10pm
Monday 11th	Boyton Parish Council AGM Church Hall 7.30pm (Everyone welcome)
Thursday 14th	Coffee Morning At the Church Hall 10.00am (Everyone welcome)
Thursday 14th	Ladies Skittles At the Church Hall 7.30pm
Wednesday 20th	Just for Fun Table Tennis At the Church Hall 7.30pm (Everyone welcome)
Wednesday 20th	Boyton Countryside's Trip Lunch at Pandora's Inn (near Falmouth) Further details available from Denise 07976 327096 New members welcome
Thursday 21st	Coffee Morning At the Methodist Church 10.00am (Everyone welcome)
Friday 22nd	Family Bingo Boyton Primary School Fundraiser At the Church Hall Doors open 6.30pm (Everyone welcome)
Thursday 28th	Coffee Morning At the Church Hall 10.00am (Everyone welcome)
Sunday 31st	Easter Service At the Methodist Church 11.00 Led by Sheila Burt (Everyone welcome)

Dates for Boyton Community

Dates for April 2024 diary to janetrolfe@gmail.com no later than 26th March please

Save the Date....

SATURDAY 13TH APRIL A BIG BREAKFAST EVENT MORE DETAILS COMING SOON

pire, together we nurture, together we achieve

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