

**Boyton Primary School**

# Boyton Primary School Newsletter

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2024**



Dear Parents,

We have had another busy week! The children looked super today and thank you for your donations to Comic Relief. We raised £30. I think the highlight has been the PGL day. (Playground Leadership Day) during which the children had the opportunity to develop their leadership skills and confidence in devising and leading playground games. We saw super collaboration and creativity!



I was also really impressed with the enthusiasm demonstrated by the Chestnut children on Wednesday during their Art lesson. Their current focus is on 'pottery' and it was great seeing their curiosity about local craftsmen/women who make a living from this art form. The children have been investigating Greek pottery too – I'm looking forward to seeing their end results.

**We've got some exciting events coming up:**

- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March –our Year 5/6s are involved in the **Wild Tribe Leadership Award**. Through this they will become 'ambassadors for change', creating a development plan for the school based on sustainability.
- On the same day, Mr Lyle from Launceston College will come and meet with the Year 6s who will be going there. This is always a really reassuring first visit for the Year 6s.

Thank you to those of you who have been able to sign up for a **parent meetings** . If you haven't had the chance yet – please do chat to your child's class teacher or add your name at a convenient time.

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March – School Bingo** is taking place in the Parish hall at 7pm. All are welcome!! Read on for more information.

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](mailto:head@boyton.cornwall.sch.uk)

## Dates for Your Diary

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March

- Y5/6 Wild Tribe Leadership Award
- Y6 Meet with Mr Lyle from Launceston College

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March – Parent Meetings from 9am

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March – PTA Easter Bingo!

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March – last day of term

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April – Summer term resumes

13<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> May KS2 SATS week

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May - Year 5 residential

22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> May -Year 6 residential to Bristol

## Forthcoming events

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## Brilliance at Boyton: This week's Stars



**Acorn / Birch**

Hugo Lauren Sofia



**Chestnut**

Owen Inula Lizzie

Whole School to Date	94%
Acorns This Week	93.31%
Birch This Week	89.27%
Chestnut This Week	95.6%

## 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 let Mrs Davies know.

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

## A Parent's Guide to Cyberbullying



**Many young people who are victims of cyberbullying suffer in silence.**

They feel they can't turn to parents or a trusted adult for support as they fear they may get in trouble or have their devices taken away from them. It can carry on all day, all evening and all weekend for the world to see, causing a lot of emotional stress to the victim and their family.



scan the QR code with your phone's camera for Parent Guides on how to help keep your children safe online

## Online Safety

# PTA Update



BOYTON PTA

EVERYONE WELCOME!

EASTER EGG PRIZES

**EASTER**  
*Family Bingo*

FRIDAY 22ND MARCH

BOYTON CHURCH HALL  
DOORS OPEN 6.30 P.M. EYES DOWN 7.00 P.M.

£6.00 FOR 10 GAMES RAFFLE REFRESHMENTS

Made with Funmaker by Nalli.com

The poster features a central illustration of a wooden crate filled with grass, daisies, butterflies, and several colorful Easter eggs (blue and white stripes, pink polka dots, and pink). The background is a bright blue sky with a sunburst effect.

## Future Events

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> 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

The flyer includes a logo for Bag 2 School, which is a blue bag with a white outline. It also features a small illustration of a collection of clothes and shoes.

# Chestnuts Class Update

Chestnuts have had another busy week! We enjoyed our PGL Day on Thursday and have been given lots of ideas of how to become Playground Leaders!

As part of National Science week, we talked about how many people stereotype scientists as being men in white coats with scruffy hair, holding beakers of liquids! In reality, this is not the case! We had great fun learning about the structure of solids, liquids and gases; the children split into three groups to show how these states of matter are made up and whether they move or not. The first group were a solid, tightly packed together and not moving at all. The second group were a liquid, a bit more spaced out and able to move around to fit their container. The third group were a gas and they were able to spread out all over the classroom and even escaped through the open door to the outdoor area! Great scientists!

If you have any questions or queries, please get in touch!

Have a lovely weekend,  
Mrs. Gilman



# Acorns /Birch Class Update

What a lovely March week it has been.

We have done some wonderful things this week. The children have enjoyed welcoming some tadpoles to our outdoor area. We even had a chance to feed them!

## Maths

Birch have been working on Fractions this week! They have worked really well on finding and recognising a half and a quarter of something. Acorns have been focusing on Subitising and recognising different ways a number can be made.

## Literacy

Birch have started a new book called 'If all the world were...'. This is a beautiful book with lovely illustrations inside. The children pretended to be one of the characters from the story and wrote a diary entry. They really thought about their character and how they were feeling. We discovered what a kaleidoscope is too!

Acorns have been focusing on the book 'Tad' in our Drawing Club this week. They have loved drawing the tadpoles and following the story to find out they turn into a frog! The book has a lovely way of breaking down the life cycle process, so it is easier for children to understand.

We had Mr Harrison for an exciting Music lesson this week! Caja came to teach us PE on Thursday! The children have practiced such a beautiful dance, all about World War 1.

For PSHE this week Acorns have been thinking about Road Safety! The children role played what we need to do when crossing the road. Some pretended to be in tractors and cars. Birch have been thinking about money and where large amounts of money is stored. They role played writing a cheque for someone.

Any questions or worries let us know ☺  
Miss Cartmell and Mrs Davies.



# 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)

# 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	1	8	15	22	29	
Sat	2	9	16	23	30	
Sun	3	10	17	24	31	

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	1	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

December 2023						
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	31	

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		

March 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	31	

April 2024						
Mon	1	8	15	22	29	
Tue	2	9	16	23	30	
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	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	1	8	15	22	29	
Sun	2	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	1	10	17	24	31	
Sun	2	11	18	25		



#### 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

#### AUTUMN TERM (72 days)

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

#### SPRING TERM (56 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)

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

<b>Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Marie Curie Coffee morning</b> Bring & Buy Cake Stall, Books, bric a brac, Raffle At The Church Hall 10am-12md (Everyone welcome)
<b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Just for Fun Table Tennis</b> At the Church Hall 7.30pm (Everyone welcome)
<b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Coffee Morning</b> At the Methodist Church 10.00am (Everyone welcome)
<b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Mobile Library</b> Opposite the Methodist Church 11.50am -12.10pm
<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Boyton Parish Council AGM</b> Church Hall 7.30pm (Everyone welcome)
<b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Coffee Morning</b> At the Church Hall 10.00am (Everyone welcome)
<b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Ladies Skittles</b> At the Church Hall 7.30pm
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Just for Fun Table Tennis</b> At the Church Hall 7.30pm (Everyone welcome)
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Boyton Countryside's Trip</b> Lunch at Pandora's Inn (near Falmouth) Further details available from Denise 07976 327096 New members welcome
<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Coffee Morning</b> At the Methodist Church 10.00am (Everyone welcome)
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Family Bingo</b> Boyton Primary School Fundraiser At the Church Hall Doors open 6.30pm (Everyone welcome)
<b>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Coffee Morning</b> At the Church Hall 10.00am (Everyone welcome)
<b>Sunday 31<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Easter Service</b> 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](mailto:janetrolfe@gmail.com) no later than 26<sup>th</sup> March please

Save the Date....

**SATURDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> APRIL** A BIG BREAKFAST EVENT MORE DETAILS COMING SOON

*pire, together we nurture, together we achieve*

**Boyton Primary School**