

**Boyton Primary School**



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# Boyton Primary School Newsletter

**Friday 13th December 2024**



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Dear Parents,  
Wow – what a week!! We are feeling truly festive now after all of the excitement from this week's events!

Firstly, thank you for all your support on Tuesday for our Carol Concert. It was really special to see the church so full! As you know, it was quite a change from what we have done in the past, but we were incredibly proud of all. Acorns/Birch created a wonderful Nativity tableau and it was really heart warming to see the Shepherds, Kings, Mary etc with some really cool dance moves! Chestnuts also spoke and sang beautifully – well done all!!

A huge thanks to the PTA and everyone involved in supporting the fundraising events organized by our very hard-working team of parents. Last Friday's bingo was great fun and it was lovely seeing some different faces amongst the participants! Due to such tremendous efforts, the whole school had a wonderful trip to Barnstaple Theatre on Thursday to see the pantomime, 'Beauty and the Beast'. It really was a feast for the senses and an experience, I am sure the children will remember forever!



Despite the very chilly weather on Wednesday, Acorns and Birch also had another fantastic time at the Sustainability/ Woodland Skill Centre. I'm sure they will sleep well this weekend!

#### **One more week to go...**

**Tuesday – Santa Run** – children can wear anything Christmassy! I am aware that many have already given donations to Cancer Research at the Carol Concert, but if you weren't able and wish to make a contribution, that would be gratefully received.

**Wednesday** – Christmas Lunch and Christmas jumpers!! (Tracy is cooking for 95 people! Incredible! We will confirm sittings so that we can guarantee everyone a seat!)

**Thursday** – Christmas disco at Werrington Primary School! (Mr P is DJ-ing!)

**Friday** – last day! Children can bring in board games please

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

Best wishes

Mrs Davies [kdavies@andaras.org](mailto:kdavies@andaras.org)



## Dates for Your Diary

School breaks up for Christmas! – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December

Mon 6<sup>th</sup> January – INSET

Tues 7<sup>th</sup> January – school resumes for children

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January Cornwall Climate Care workshop for Chestnuts in school

## Forthcoming events

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*(Read on for information about clubs during Christmas weeks)*

## Brilliance at Boyton: This week's Stars



**Acorn / Birch** – Keaton, George, Emilia



**Chestnuts** – Callum, Jacob and Robin

|                      |        |
|----------------------|--------|
| Whole School to Date | 96.6%  |
| Acorns This Week     | 95.24% |
| Birch This Week      | 100%   |
| 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<br>(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.

[boyton@andaras.org](mailto:boyton@andaras.org)

**After School Clubs Autumn Term 2024:**  
**WB 16TH December**

**No clubs in the final week of school.**

# Acorn/Birch Class Update

Wow! What a fantastic week we had had! On Tuesday, we did a brilliant job at our Christmas performance! Well done to everyone – you were amazing! On Wednesday, we had our second visit to the Woodland Skills Centre where we learnt all about beavers – we even made our own beaver whistles!

On Thursday we went to watch Beauty and the Beast at the theatre and all had a great time. It was the first time that some of us had ever been on a coach, so that was a special treat!

We have all been practising our tricky words every day. We will be bringing these words home next week, so it would be great if you could continue to support us with learning these at home – thank you.

If you have any questions or concerns about anything, please let me know.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs. Gilman



# Chestnut Class Update

We have also had an incredibly busy week! We were so proud of all during the Carol Concert on Tuesday – the children are becoming some confident in performing in front of an audience. A special thanks to Caiden (for his solo) and Lizzie for her poem.

This week, in Maths, the Y5/6s have been learning about BODMAS. Do check it out!  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z24ctv4> The Y3/4s have been revisiting adding / subtracting 1, 10 and 100 using their knowledge of number bonds to help. It was super seeing them notice patterns to support them.

In Geography this week, we have also been learning about the challenges faced by Welsh hill farmers. It was so helpful having so many experts in the class!  
As always, if you have any questions or concerns about anything, please let me know.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Davies



# Digiduck says...



'Be a good friend online,'

'Say kind things to others,'



'and make sensible choices.'

# Smartie the Penguin

If anything happens online that makes **Smartie the Penguin** feel worried, upset or confused, he doesn't try to fix things by himself ...



Always ask an adult for help!



He stops ...



Thinks about what to do ...



And always asks an adult for help!





## Dates for the End of Term - December 2024

| Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December                                    | Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December  | Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December  | Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> December   | Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December   |
|--|---|---|---|---|
| Children's home-made decorations to be brought into school please. |   | Acorn/Birch children visiting the <b>Woodland Skill Centre</b> (Bring packed lunches, very warm clothes and wellies)                            |   | PTA School Bingo – Village Hall.<br>Doors open at 6.30pm for 7pm start!   |
| Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December                                    | Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December   | Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December   | Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December  | Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December  |
|  | Dress rehearsal at the church. Please drop the drop at the church for 9am. (Sadly, no breakfast club today)<br><br><b>Christmas Carol Concert</b> – Boyton Church. Please arrive from 6.15pm for a 6.30pm start | Acorn/Birch children visiting the <b>Woodland Skill Centre</b> (Bring packed lunches, very warm clothes and wellies)                            | PTA Whole School trip to the Pantomime! Hoping to be back by 5.30pm.<br>Please make a £5 donation on <u>Arbor</u> .<br>Pack lunch needed please (Please can children wear school uniform for easy identification) | Boyton Christmas Jumper / top Day!  |
| Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December                                   | Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December   | Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December   | Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December  | Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December  |
|  | <b>Santa Run</b> (around the school field!) <u>in</u> aid of Cancer Research. A token donation would be appreciated. Children to wear anything Christmassy!!  | Christmas Lunch for family and friends! (Christmas jumpers!)<br>More information to follow re staggered arrivals due to the popularity of this! | <b>Christmas Disco</b> for children of Boyton, Werrington and North <u>Petherwin</u> . Mr P is the DJ!<br>Location: Werrington Primary School<br>5.30- 7pm  | Last Day of term – please can children bring in games to play. (Nothing electronic)<br> |

**Fully Funded  
School  
Support  
Course**

**Available  
in Levels  
1, 2 & 3**

**\*Please go to our website  
for more detailed  
information.**



**6 Week  
Course  
Mon - Fri**

**Daily sessions**

**1st session 9:30 - 11:30am**

**2nd session 12:30 - 2pm**

**[www.studysmartuk.online](http://www.studysmartuk.online)**

# New school menu starting Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025

|   | WEEK 1<br>07/01/2025 27/01/2025  | WEEK 2<br>13/01/2025 03/02/2025   | WEEK 3<br>20/01/2025 10/01/2025  |
|---|--|---|--|
| M<br>O<br>N<br>D<br>A<br>Y                | Panini Pizza Slices, Cheese & Tomato<br>Diced Potatoes, Peas, Baked Beans<br><br>Homemade Chocolate Brownie          | Chicken Wraps<br>Potato Wedges, Baked beans, Sweetcorn.<br>Quorn Chicken Wrap<br><br>Chocolate Crispie        | Southern fried Chicken Goujons<br>Diced Herby Potatoes, peas, Baked beans<br>Cheese & Tomato Pizza<br><br>Choc Chip Cookies          |
| T<br>U<br>E<br>S<br>D<br>A<br>Y           | Homemade Lasagne, Garlic Bread<br>Peas & Sweetcorn<br>Creamy Tomato Pasta Bake<br><br>Choc Chip Cookies              | Burger in a Bun,<br>Diced Potatoes, Peas, Baked Beans<br>Veggie Burger in a Bun<br><br>Vanilla Muffins        | Sausage & Mash<br>Green Beans, Carrots, Gravy<br>Quorn Sausage.<br><br>Chocolate Crispie   |
| W<br>E<br>D<br>N<br>E<br>S<br>D<br>A<br>Y | Roast Gammon, Stuffing Balls<br>Roast potatoes, Cabbage, Carrots, Gravy<br>Quorn Sausage.<br><br>Ice Cream and Sauce | Roast Chicken, Stuffing Balls<br>Roast potatoes, seasonal Veg<br>Quorn Chicken Pieces<br><br>Chocolate Mousse | Roast Beef, Yorkshire Pudding,<br>Roast Potatoes, Seasonal veg<br>Quorn Sausage Toad in the hole<br><br>Ice Cream & Strawberry sauce |
| T<br>H<br>U<br>R<br>S<br>D<br>A<br>Y      | Hot Dog in a Roll<br>Wedges, Baked Beans, Sweetcorn<br>Quorn Sausage in a Roll<br><br>Chocolate Chip Muffins         | Meatballs and Spaghetti with Garlic Bread<br>Peas, Sweetcorn<br><br>ice cream & Toffee sauce                  | Cheese & Tomato Pizza or Cheese & Ham Pizza<br>curly Fries, Baked Beans, sweetcorn.<br><br>Vanilla Muffins                           |
| F<br>R<br>I<br>D<br>A<br>Y                | Breaded Fish<br>Chips, baked beans, peas<br>Cheese and tomato pizza<br><br>Strawberry Mousse                         | Fish Fingers<br>Chips, Peas, Sweetcorn<br>Pasta Bake<br><br>Chocolate Chip Cookies                            | Chicken Goujons & Chips<br>Quorn Sausage & Chips<br>Baked beans, peas.<br><br>Homemade Chocolate Brownie                             |

# Village Diary!

Just to give you a quick update for the rest of December's diary.

Thursday 19th Dec  
Christmas Coffee morning at the Methodist Chapel 10.00am Everyone welcome

Sunday 22nd Dec  
Christmas Carols in the Methodist Chapel followed by a sweet & savory tea. 3.00pm Everyone welcome

Tuesday 24th Dec  
Christmas Eve Mass in Boyton Parish Church 11.45pm Everyone welcome

The next Coffee morning will be on  
Thursday 2nd January 2025 in the Methodist Chapel at 10.00 Everyone welcome

Save the date.....  
Friday 24th January  
Pop Up Pub Fish & Chip Friday at The Church Hall further details to follow or see noticeboards.

Potential Scam..... Anyone who is a Customer of SKY please beware of a scam that is doing the rounds at the moment, I received a phone-call offering me a discount on my account, saying that I do not have to do anything, but later in the conversation they will ask for details. Please do NOT share any information with them and just put the phone down. Fortunately I do not have a sky account and it has now been reported to action fraud.

In general, calls out of the blue are destined to be a problem and especially so if they quote a famous name and a discount. Stay scam aware.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas & a Happy New year.

Janet

# 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 | 29 |  |  |
| 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)

| 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 |    |  |

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.