An Daras Trust

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Boyton Primary School

Boyton Primary School Newsletter

Friday 14th November 2025







Dear parents,

Today the children looked fantastic in their Pudsey tshirts, yellow, spots and generally colourful clothing! Thank you for your kind donations.

We have had another super week with lots of great learning taking place. Mrs Billing continues to be amazed by her incredible Reception 'Drawing Club' group! (Drawing Club is an approach designed by Greg Bottrill that immerses children into a world full of imagination! It is through drawing club that children are opened to the magical power of stories. It enriches language skills, develops fine motor and creativity. Mrs Billing is incredible in delivering it!

Chestnuts have also been publishing their reports, inspired by the story; 'The Last Bear' by Hannah Gold. Miss Kinver and I have been blown away with the writing produced – the higher order writing skills such as relative clauses, passive voice etc, plus the immense pride in presentation. Well done all!

On Wednesday, four children represented us at the **AnDaras Sustainability Conference**. After undertaking a variety of workshops with friends from other schools, they presented our contribution on the huge stage in Launceston Town Hall – what an impressive, confident effort they gave. Huge congratulations to all!

Thank you Boyton PTA!

A huge thanks to our wonderful PTA for the fantastic Halloween disco held just before half term! All had a super time and the hall looked suitably spooky! You may have noticed the box in the school entrance for any Christmas jumper donations. Please donate any that your child/ ren have grown out of.

School meals next week

Thank you for your understanding regarding school meals next week. Sadly, Tracy our cook, has injured her collarbone and unable to drive/cook for the time being. We're very grateful to North Petherwin School for their kind offer to help us out on Tues, Wed, Thurs and Friday next week. We appreciate your speed in returning their children's meal slips so that food can be ordered.

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



Dates for Your Diary

Individual/ family photos – Tuesday 18th November (afternoon)

Library van visit to school – Tuesday 25th November

Christmas Jumper Day – Thursday 11th December

PTA Christmas Bingo- Friday 12th December

Christmas performance in the chapel 6pm – Monday 15th December

Christmas EYFS Nativity – Thursday 18th December 2pm

Pantomime! Tuesday 16th December 'Gimme, Gimme, Gimme!'

Last Day of term – Friday 19th December

INSET – Monday 5th January (Children return to school on the

Tuesday)

Online Safety Day – Tuesday 10th February

Forthcoming events

Welly Wednesdays – every Wednesday bring wellies to school!

Monday 17th November – Year 5/6 Adventure Day at Launceston College

Tuesday 18th November Individual and family photos.

Brilliance at Boyton: This week's stars



Acorn / Birch- Sam Libby and George





Chestnuts – Callum, Lauren and Jacob

Whole School to Date	94.34%
Acorns This Week	100%
Birch This Week	88.89%
Chestnut This Week	98.08%

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.

boyton@andaras.org

After School Clubs Autumn Term 2025

Monday – Sports Club (Year 1 – Year 6)

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

Thursday – Outdoor Learning Club– Mrs Davies

Attendance / Holidays during termtime

We have been really impressed with children's efforts in being punctual and in school! However, we are obliged to remind you that, if your child is absent from school without authorisation and this includes taking holiday in term time you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £80. We do understand that for many families working in rural area that it is difficult to take holidays in August and there are also financial considerations, but we must follow the law as set out by the government.

Thank you



Online Safety - Al

www.internetmatters.org/resources/parent-guide-to-artificial-intelligence-ai-tools

A parent's guide to Al

How to get the most out of generative Al

In this guide to AI, learn about the different generative AI tools like ChatGPT and My AI. Then, explore how to support learning, creativity and even bedtime using AI tools at home.



Catkins Update

Hello everyone!

This week, the children in Catkins class have been thinking about the significance of Remembrance Day, and why we choose to wear poppies.

We began by baking a delicious 'ration book cake.' The children were amazed that many years ago, certain foods were scarce, and people could only buy a small amount at a time! The cake was delicious.

Our children also became creative and crafted some beautiful paper and felt poppies so that we could make a wreath for our display, all about celebrations.

Thank you for all your hard work today, Catkins.

Warm wishes – Mrs Lawton and Mrs Gubbin.











Acorn/Birch Class Update

What a great start to the new half-term! Everyone has been doing some fantastic maths – Acorns have been subitizing and finding parts of a whole, Year 1 have been counting groups of tens and ones and understanding their place value, whilst the year 2s have been exploring different ways of adding three numbers together.

We have been recognising that we all have differences and similarities in PSHE, but that it's good to be different as it makes us all unique. We have talked a lot about anti-bullying and how to accept our differences, starting off this week by wearing odd socks for National Anti-Bullying Week! Acorns have been exploring light and dark after reading 'A Dark, Dark Tale' in Drawing Club, using alow-sticks to light up the dark tent.

In English, the year 2s have been publishing their 'How to Look After a Dragon' guide after enjoying reading 'Dragon Post'. In Geography, Birch have been looking at paintings from great artists and thinking about how they paint the weather and how this makes us feel. Acorns have been looking at images of winter and summer scenes and talking about how it's lighter in the summer, but darker in the winter.

Please let me know if you have any questions about anything. Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs. Gilman





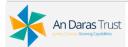












Chestnut Class Update

During the English learning this week, the children have worked incredibly hard at creating their own newspaper article based on the story of the 'Last Bear'. The children have included different techniques such as writing in columns, the past tense and using fronted adverbials.

In Maths this week, the Yr 3/4 children have had a focused-on numbers up to 1,000, where they have partitioned, ordered and compared numbers. Whereas the Yr 5/6 children have represented numbers up to a million on a number line, solved problems mentally and explained how to do a range of methods.

In their Science learning this week, the Yr 3/4 have classified animals using a classification key, where the children wrote their own questions and sorted the animals. In Yr 5/6 the children have started a new topic, where they will be learning about space. The children have identified the different planets and explain the different properties the planet have.

The focus of the PSHE learning this week, was how to recognise different social situations and how that made the children feel – for example, what is a dare and how to handle different situations. In Music this week, the children had a brilliant lesson where they were making sound effects to the Pink

Have a lovely weekend.











Panther theme tune!











New School Menu Starting week of the 3rd November

WEEK 1 03/11/2025 24/11/2025 15/12/2025	WEEK 2 1 <mark>0</mark> /11/202 <mark>5 01/1</mark> 2/2025	WEEK 3 17/11/2025 08/12/2025
M Cheese & Tomato Pizza or Cheese & Ham Pizza O Diced Herby Potatoes, Peas, Baked Beans N Chocolate Chip Muffins A Y	Chicken Wraps Potato Wedges, Baked beans, Sweetcorn. Quorn Chicken Wrap Strawberry Mousse	Chicken Goujons Diced Herby Potatoes, peas, Baked beans Cheese & Tomato Pizza Choc Chip Cookies
T U Peas & Sweetcorn Creamy Tomato Pasta Bake Choc Chip Cookies Y	Panini with choice of fillings Cheese, Ham or Tuna Diced Potato, Peas , Baked Beans Fruit & Meringue	Sausage & Mash Green Beans, Carrots, Gravy Quorn Sausage. Chocolate Crispie
W E Roast Gammon, Stuffing Balls D Roast potatoes, Cabbage , Carrots, Gravy N Quorn Sausage. E S Ice Cream and Sauce D A	Roast Chicken, Stuffing Balls Roast potatoes, seasonal Veg Quorn Chicken Pleces. Ice Cream & Sauce	Roast Beef, Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes, Seasonal veg Quorn Sausage Toad in the hole Ice Cream & Sauce
Y T H Curly Fries, Peas, Baked Beans Veggie Burger in a Bun Chocolate Mousse A Y	Meatballs and Spaghetti with Garlic Bread Peas, Sweetcorn Pasta Bake Chocolate Brownie	Cheese & Tomato Pizza or Cheese & Ham Pizza curly Fries, Baked Beans, sweetcorn. Vanilla Muffins
F Breaded Fish Chips , baked beans , peas Cheese and tomato pizza Chocolate Brownies	Fish Fingers Chips, Peas , Sweetcorn Pasta Bake Choc chip Muffins	Burger & Chips Quorn Sausage & Chips Baked beans, peas. Homemade Chocolate Brownie

Vacancies at An Daras Trust

Find out more information about our Trust vacancies at https://www.andaras.org/web/vacancies





Higher Level Teaching Assistant at Callington Primary School

Job Title: Higher Level Teaching Assistant	FTE salary: £24,130 Actual annual salary (approx. gross): £16,360
School Base: Callington Primary School	Contract Type: Fixed Term until 22 nd July 2026
Start Date: 06th January 2026	Hours (weekly): 30 hours
Working weeks SUPPORT STAFF ONLY: 38 wee	ks
Interview Date: w/c 1 st December 2025	Closing Date: Midnight on the 23 rd November 2025

Please return completed applications and equal opportunities forms to recruitment@andaras.org

This post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exceptions) Order 1975 (as amended in 2013 and 2020). This means that certain convictions and cautions are considered 'protected' and do not need to be disclosed to employers and, if they are disclosed, employers cannot take them into account. Guidance about where a conviction or caution should be disclosed can be found on the Ministry of Justice website: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/new-guidance-on-the-rehabilitation-of-offenders-act-1974

An employee of An Daras Trust knows that by using their own knowledge and experience, it can **Ignite Curiosity and Grow Capabilities** in young individuals, which will impact lives and help create a positive future. Does this sound like you?

Our Aim

An Daras Trust has the simple aim of ensuring our pupils receive the best educational experiences we can offer. Our intent is delivers the single aim of ensuring the strong Trust wide wholistic curriculum can demand the focuses on enabling all ensuring the strong trust wide wholistic curriculum the focuses on enabling all ensuring the strategy and the strong the strong the strategy design and the strategy of the strong the strategy of the strateg

Information about the vacancy

Callington Primary School are looking to appoint a Higher Level Teaching Assistant to provide PPA cover for pupils and staff across our school. The successful applicant may also cover classes due to staff absence.

This is an exciting opportunity for a skilled practitioner to join our diverse and dedicated team.





SPACE

Supporting Parents And Children Emotionally

SPACE is a **free** programme for **any parent or carer** who wants to better understand and support their children's emotions, as well as their own.

This 5 week online programme will cover:

- Understanding what is meant by a Trauma Informed approach
- Understanding toxic stress and the flight/fight response
- Practical approaches to support children to regulate their emotions
- Healthy coping strategies for dealing with stress

- Managing different emotions
- · Understanding behaviour
- Building resilience in ourselves and our children
- Adopting appropriate expectations of children
- Enhancing your ability to provide nurturing care

MHST has an upcoming online programme with sessions starting on:



Monday 12 January 2026 at 9.30am Monday 12 January 2026 at 11.30am Thursday 15 January at 9.30am Thursday 15 January at 1.30pm

These sessions will be running for 5 weeks, please ensure you are able to attend each week for the duration of the programme

To request a place, complete the online form or scan the QR code provided: https://forms.office.com/e/mX4A6KKfwv



These courses are for parents/carers of children 5-11 yrs only

Spaces are limited, if you cannot attend, please notify us ASAP - 01726 873204











A new club starting in Boyton...

BOOK CLUB



If you love to read and are happy to meet once a month to discuss books and suggest a good read, then Suzanne would love to hear from you



Call: Suzanne Marshall 07802 804420



This christmas season share your generosity with the families in need.

Boyton Methodist Church Will be holding a Toy Service on Sunday 30th November at 11.00am EVERYONE WELCOME

All donations of a wrapped gift for a child or young person (new please) and labelled boy/girl and a suitable age. Would be gratefully received



Groups/Churches

Spice of Life Bev Hunt Tel: 07463 903630 beaver.hunt@icloud.com

Boyton Countrysiders Shirley Bell

Werrington Ladies Circle Susan Desmond

Table Tennis Club Gerd Willetts

Boyton Walking Group Sue Martyn Tel: 07967 512660

hornnacott@btconnect.com Boyton Parish Church Hall hire Gerd Willetts

Boyton Chursh Warden Tim Smith

Boyton Methodist Church Lorraine Slugget

Ladycross Craft Group Cyndi Hall Sewladycross@btinternet.com

Keep up to date with events by following the Boyton Support Group on Facebook



Boyton Village Diary NOVEMBER 2025

- Table Tennis Evening (Just for Fun) Boyton Church Hall 7.30pm Everyone welcome
- **Coffee Morning**

At The Methodist Church 10am Everyone welcome

- Service of Remembrance At Boyton Parish Church 10.50am Everyone welcome
- 13th **Coffee Morning** At The Church Hall 10am Everyone welcome
- 13th Mobile Library Opposite the Methodist Church 11.45am - 12.10pm
- 13th **Ladies Skittles** At The Church Hall 7.30p
- 13th **Mobile Library** Opposite the Methodist Church 11.45am - 12.10pm
- 19th Boyton Countrysider's - Lunch Pandara Inn Further details please email: shirleybell789@gmil.com
- 19th Table Tennis Evening (Just for Fun) Boyton Church Hall 7.30pm Everyone welcome
- 20th Coffee Morning At The Methodist Church Hall 10am Everyone welcome
- 25th **Boyton Parish Council Meeting**
- At The Church Hall 7.30pm Everyone welcome
- 27th Coffee Morning At The Church Hall 10am Everyone welcome
- 27th Ladies Skittles At The Church Hall 7.30pm
- Toy Service Led by Mrs Sue Uglow At Boyton Methodist Church 11.00am Everyone welcome

Boyton Parish Church



Remembrance Service

Sunday 9th November 10.50am Everyone welcome

BOYTON CHURCH HALL

Available for hire to local organizations or individuals. Contact Gerd Willetts

on 01566 776917 email: g.willetts@talk21.com

TABLE TENNIS EVENINGS

Boyton Church Hall have 2 tables. why not pop along and have a game and meet new friends& neighbours Alternate Wednesdays.

Just for Fun!

If you would like to receive the Boyton Village diary electronically, please just drop me an email and I will include you on the mailing list janetrolfe@ymail.com

BOYTON PARISH COUNCILLORS

Cllr. Martin Stanbury Chairman Clir jon Bennett Olir John Sanders Clir Stephen Davey Citr Mervyn Law Suzanne Cleave Parish Clerk

There are vacancies for 2 new Councillors if this is something you would like to do, why not have a chat with the Parish Clerk Details on the Boyton Parish Council Website

The Stumble Inn at Chelsfield Farm

Launceston, PL15 8NU

Bar and basket meals

Hot drinks, mulled wine,

cakes & mince pies

(to eat in or take away with you)

Lots of local crafts and gift ideas

All welcome - free entry

Come and enjoy a friendly

festive evening!

Fundraising for

Cornwall Air Ambulance

where she was helped to integrate into this alien rural community, before later moving into Boyton Primary School. Finally, to round of the trip down memory lane, the pair paid a visit Evening Christmas Fair to The Old Post Office where Joyce and Agnes lived together from 1939 to 1945, marking the occasion with one final picture. Wednesday 12th November 6pm - 9pm



SATURDAY 15TH NOV

10 AM - 4 PM

LAUNCESTON TOWN

HALL

OVER 40 STALLS

* CRAFTERS-JEWELLERY

PLUS LOTS MORE ...

REFRESHMENTS

I had to share this beautiful story

where she made her home with Bill and Elizabeth Horrell and

After her arrival, Joyce attended Boyton Church Hall for school

their children Betty, Reg and Agnes.



The café, which meet on alternate Saturday afternoons from 2pm until 4pm, welcomes anyone living with memory problems and their carers.

For further information please phone Cym Downing 07970 045310



Joyce returned to her war-time

evacuation home in Boyton and

reunited with a childhood friend to celebrate her 90th birthday.

When she arrived all those years

ago, she was met by Bill Horrell.

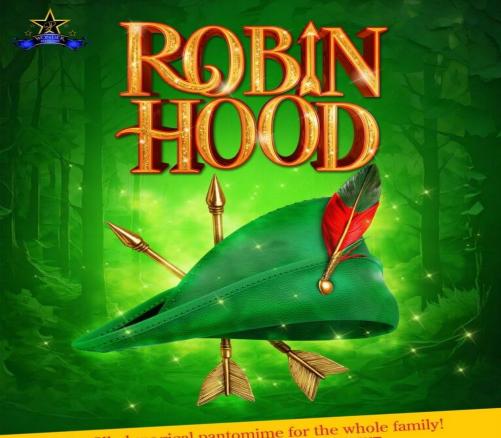
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the billeting officer, and was





BRINGING THE WORLD OF PANTOMIME TO YOU



A fun-filled magical pantomime for the whole family!

- Event Date: January 3, 2026
- Event Time: 5:00 pm
- **Event Location: Launceston** Town Hall – PL15 7AR
- **Event Organizer: Launceston** Town Hall.
- https://launcestontc.gov.uk/events/robinhood/

ırture, together we achieve **Boyton Primary School** www.wonderpanto.co.uk





How to apply

Visit www.gov.uk/apply-for-teacher-training and choose An Daras Multi Academy Trust as

a provider.

We'll then contact you directly with information about the next steps in the application process.

All offers are subject to satisfactory results from necessary pre-employment checks. getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/funding-and-support

Find out more

An Daras Multi Academy Trust Course Lead: Deborah Saunders Email: dsaunders@andaras.org Telephone: 01566 777503

Website: https://andaras.eschools.co.uk/ Postal address: An Daras Multi Academy Trust

Central Office: Unit 4 Tamar Business Park, Pennygillam Way, Pennygillam Industrial

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Cornwall Council 2025/2026 School Term Dates for Community and Voluntary-Controlled Schools

September 2025							
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August 2026						
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Bank holidays				
Christmas Day	25 December 2025			
Boxing Day	26 December 2025			
New Years Day	01 January 2026			
Good Friday	03 April 2026			
Easter Monday	06 April 2026			
May Bank Holiday	04 May 2026			
Spring Bank Holiday	25 May 2026			
Summer Bank Holiday	31 August 2026			
AUTUMN TERM (73 days)	Inset			
3 September - 19 December 2	so tenher 2nd			
(HALF TERM 27 - 31 October 2	2025)			
SPRING TERM (59 days)	September 2nd September 3rd October 24th			
5 January - 2 April 2026	occoper 24m			
(HALF TERM 16 - 20 February	2026) January 5th			
SUMMER TERM (63 days)	June 1st			

AUTUMN TERM (73 days)

SPRING TERM (59 days)

SUMMER TERM (63 days)

20 April - 22 July 2026 (HALF TERM 25 - 29 May 2026)

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.

Academy, trust and voluntary-aided schools set their own term dates and INSET days.

