

Boyton Primary School



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Igniting Curiosity Growing Capabilities

Boyton Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

Wow – hasn't this term flown! I think the children have earned a well-deserved break! As always, we have had a busy week and had several visitors in. We've had really positive SEND and EYFS governor visits. The SEND focus looked at how learning environments and a more personalized provision enables all children to access their learning successfully. The EYFS visit focused on the elements of EYFS and what that looks like at Boyton. Well done to all staff involved. Rebecca Brewer also spent the morning with Chestnuts Class on Wednesday – exploring the Capabilities Curriculum. As always, she was really impressed with their reflectiveness and the astute comments made.

On Tuesday, we also celebrated National Online Safety Day. Children had the opportunity to have key messages around staying safe online reinforced and learnt strategies to prevent them being scammed. (Please read on for more information.)

Grand opening of the Nursery!

On **Wednesday 26th February**, we would like to invite you all to the '**Grand Opening of Catkins Nursery**'! We would love you to come a little earlier as the event will take place at **3pm – and involve ribbon cutting, cake etc! All are welcome!**

Events coming up

- Royal Cornwall Museum are visiting Chestnuts on 25th Feb with a focus on the Romans

SongFest – we have about 8 children who are really keen to participate in this fantastic event in Launceston, performing with other local schools. The tshirts have been ordered! The date for this event is Tuesday 1st April and I will share more information as I receive it!

As always, please don't hesitate to get in touch if you should have any queries or concerns. ON behalf of all, we wish you a very lovely half-term!

Have a lovely weekend.
Best wishes

Mrs Davies kdavies@andaras.org

Dates for Your Diary

Half term – 17th – 21st February

Tuesday 25th February – Royal Cornwall Museum visit (coming to school)
– reinforcing learning about the Romans.

Wednesday 5th March – St Pirans Day (Y5/6 will be participating in the parade – please can children meet us in Launceston. More details to follow! We have been able to organize a lift back to school after)

Thursday 6th March – World Book Day (dress up as your favourite book character!)

31st March – 4th April - Whole School swimming!

1st April - SongFest

Forthcoming events

Welly Wednesdays – every Wednesday bring wellies to school!

Half term – 17th – 21st February

Wednesday 5th March – St Piran’s celebrations – Chestnuts Class

Brilliance at Boyton: This week's Stars



Acorn / Birch – Oscar, Rosie and Charlotte



Chestnuts – Sybil, Jake and Mazie

Whole School to Date	96.10%
Acorns This Week	88.89%
Birch This Week	94.44%
Chestnut This Week	93.33%

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 Spring Term 2025

Monday – General sports club (Reception – Year 6)

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

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

This week's focus

This week, our focus across both classes has been to be curious about our learning – to ask questions, dig deeper and make connections with other aspects of our learning.

We know an inquisitive, curious nature broadens understanding!



Curious Cat

Visible Learning - Our Learning Powers

Acorn/Birch Class Update

Acorns and Birch have had a fantastic week of learning! Acorns have been reading Farmer Duck in Drawing Club and have created their own versions of different parts of the story each day. Birch have been trying to solve the mystery of Beegu, a friendly alien that crash-landed on the school field but has now disappeared! They have produced posters to ask everyone to look out for her and mini-guides to tell people how to look after her if they find her.

In maths, Acorns have been learning about how 5 is made by singing 5 Little Speckled Frogs and Birch have been counting up in 2s, 3s and 5s to solve word problems.

We have performed our Penguin and Explorers dance to Chestnuts class, which was fantastic!

Continuing with their focus on Farmer Duck, Acorns have been milking our "cow" and made a huge muddy puddle for the farm animals to play in! Birch have been using the laptops to practise their typing skills and how to use the space bar, return key and how to change to capital letters.

Thank you to everyone who listens to their child read at home. Please add a little note to their reading record each time they read to you and remember to choose a book together to share at the end of the day.

Please let me know if you have any questions about anything.
Have a lovely half-term break!



Mrs. Gilman



Chestnut Class Update

In English this week, the children have continued exploring the text- 'Highrsie Mystery.' The children have used figurative language to describe the setting of the cornered off police scene and have written newspaper articles, which have given details of the body that has been found.

In Maths, the Yr 3/4 have understood what the perimeter is and how to work it out using addition. Whereas the Yr 5/6 have looked at areas of triangles and parallelograms. They have also started looking at volume and how to work out the area of 3D shapes.

In Science this week, the Yr 3/4 children have learnt how water is transported around the Earth by drawing and labelling the water cycle. The Yr 5/6 children have learnt about highbred animals and how they have come about.

During their P.E lesson of dance, the children have practised and added more onto their rainforest dance, which has been inspired by the animals, explorers and tribal people that live there. The children have worked hard at remembering the sequence and working in partners. Hope you all have a lovely half-term.





**Too good to
be true?**

**Protecting
yourself and
others from
scams online**

Safer Internet Day 2025

Safer Internet Day will take place on 11th February 2025
– join organisations worldwide to make the internet a
safe place for children and young people

[Parents and Carers - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online

Top Tips for use Tips for Parents and Carers of 3-7 year olds

This Safer Internet Day we are starting a conversation about how to spot, respond to, and report all types of scams online. Scams can take many forms and could target anyone, including young people. Whilst your 3-7 year old may not yet be ready to use the internet independently, use our top tips to start good online habits now that will help keep them safe in the future.

■ Enjoy going online together

Spending time online together with family is an important learning experience for the youngest internet users. Not only will you both enjoy the quality time together, but you can supervise their usage and guide them to make the safest choices.

▲ Talk about their online experiences

Help give your child the language to explain what they're experiencing online by starting conversations about the internet and technology as early as possible. Talking regularly about what they love doing online, as well as any worries they may have, will help establish this habit and mean they're more likely to come to you for help as they get older.

New Menu Starting After Half Term!

	WEEK 1 24/02/2025 17/03/2025	WEEK 2 03/03/2025 24/03/2025	WEEK 3 10/03/2025 31/03/2025
M O N D A Y	Chicken Wraps With Choice Of Sauce, BBQ, Mayo, Ketchup. Peas & Sweetcorn. Quorn Chicken Wraps. Choc Chip Cookies	Cheese & Tomato Pizza or cheese & Ham Pizza. Diced Herby Potatoes, Baked beans , Sweetcorn. Chocolate Mousse	Panini with choice of fillings. Cheese, Ham or Tuna. Diced Potatoes, baked beans, Sweetcorn. Homemade Chocolate Brownie
T U E S D A Y	Burger in a Bun, Diced Potatoes, Baked Beans, Peas. Veggie Burger in a Bun. Jelly & cream	Homemade Lasagne , garlic bread carrots and peas Tomato and cheese creamy pasta bake Choc Chip Cookies	Sausage & Mash Green Beans, Carrots, Gravy Quorn Sausage. Choc Chip Cookies
W E D N E S D A Y	Roast Gammon, stuffing balls Roast potatoes, Cabbage , Carrots, Gravy Quorn Sausage Ice Cream & Sauce	Roast Beef, Yorkshire pudding Roast potatoes, seasonal Veg Quorn sausage Toad in the Hole Ice Cream & Sauce	Roast Chicken , Stuffing Balls Roast Potatoes, Cauliflower cheese (G/F) , Seasonal veg Quorn Chicken Pieces. Ice Cream & Sauce
T H U R S D A Y	Homemade Cottage Pie Carrots, Broccoli & Gravy. Quorn Cottage Pie. Vanilla Muffins	Chicken Goujons Cheese or Ham Panini Potato Wedges , Baked Beans, Peas. Jelly & Cream	Meatballs in Rich Tomato sauce with Spaghetti creamy Pasta Bake. Peas , Broccoli. Strawberry Mousse
F R I D A Y	Breaded Fish Chips , baked beans , peas Cheese and tomato pizza Chocolate Brownie	Fish Fingers Chips, Peas , Sweetcorn Pasta Bake Homemade Choc Crispie	Chicken Goujons & Chips Baked Beans, Peas Quorn Sausage & Chips Jelly & Fruit

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)

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.