



Newlyn News

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Autumn 2021

Well, unfortunately we did not quite make it to the end of term before we were finally impacted by the Covid outbreak in our local area. I want to thank everyone for testing your children during this time and for your ongoing support.

I am so sorry to tell you that our much loved Miss Fitzgerald will be stepping down as Y2/3 class teacher from Easter due to personal reasons. However, we will not be losing her completely as she will continue to support groups of children within the school on a part-time basis.

I am delighted to say that we have appointed the very lovely Mrs Squires who will be coming in and getting to know the Y2/3 children before she joins us.



Please have a wonderful Christmas holiday and stay safe everyone.

Class 2/3 Trip

Year 2/3 visited Lands End airport. They had an amazing time and were treated like guests of honour. The air controller organised a hawk from Culdrose to fly low over Lands End while they were there! They had a tour of the planes, watch tower, hangars and fire department - as well as getting their luggage processed!

We were also told that they were the best behaved school party ever to go to Lands End. Thank you to the outstanding team at the airport and to the children for their impeccable manners and behaviour. We are so proud of you!



Christmas Cards

We will be quarantining Christmas cards once again this year. Please can all Christmas cards be in by Tuesday with the recipient's **name and class** clearly written on the envelope. This will help Mr. Hickman sort them all out. They will be given out on Thursday. Thank you.

Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day

This will take place on Wednesday 15th December. If you want your child to have a Christmas dinner then please order it through SchoolMoney, marking all the weeks lunch choice for your child.



If you have any issue with logging in contact Mrs Richards
01736 363509

Thank you

EYFS

We had the Brighter Smiles team talking to us about keeping our teeth healthy and the children all had a goodie bag to take home. We have also been given resources to do daily brushing of our teeth at school.



Thank you all for marking your child's dinners on SchoolMoney as it really helps us calculate meals quickly. Thank you also for supporting us with changes we made for lunches this week. Our normal dinner menu resumes for the final week next week (Monday 13th December). It will be week 2 of our menu available on our website: www.newlynschool.co.uk

Children in Need

Thank you to everyone for your contributions to Children in Need. We managed to raise £160.85 between Newlyn School and Stepping stones.



Class Christmas Parties

These will take place in classes. The children can wear their own clothes on the day of the party. Unfortunately there will be no party food.

Y1/Y2/Y3/Y4 Wednesday pm

EYFS/Y5/Y6: Thursday pm

Primary School Places

If your child was born between 1 September 2017 and 31 August 2018 you will need to apply for a school place for September 2022. **The deadline for applications is 15 January 2022.**

www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

COMPETITION TIME Christmas Plate Decorating Competition



Entries to Miss
Rollason by
10th December



Feel free to decorate your plate in any way you wish using different colours, crafts and textures. There is no limit on your imagination so let your creative juices flow.



Please ensure your child's name is clearly labelled on their plate.

INSET Days

Last day of term: Friday 17th December, 1pm

INSET day: Tuesday 4th January

First day back: Wednesday 5th January

Last day of summer term: Friday 22nd July

10 Minutes a Day

It is so important to read every day.



Please let us know where you like to read and keep sending in your photos.

Covid

Due to the rise in Covid cases in Cornwall, particularly in school age children, Cornwall Council have updated their public health guidance:

Where a schoolchild is a close contact of a PCR positive case, they should undertake a PCR test arranged through the usual NHS system. We would ask that while they wait for their result they test daily with LFD and continue doing so for seven days if their PCR result is negative. This is to capture any late transmission in the household. *Note: this can be applied in secondary and in primary age children, at parent/guardian discretion.

We encourage everyone to be vaccinated and to take up the offer of a booster.

Last day of term:

Our last day of term is Friday 17th December when we will close after lunch.

We will send older siblings out with younger siblings at the younger child's time.

EYFS: 12.35pm

Y1/2: 12.40pm

Y2/3: 12.50pm

Y4/5/6: 1pm

Reminder - No swimming until we return after the Christmas holidays.



Academic Year 2021/2022

Start of Term 2
01.11.21 INSET day—school will be closed
02.11.21 Beginning of term
23.11.21 Class 2/3 trip
17.12.21 End of Term 2 **1pm finish**

Start of Term 3
04.1.22 INSET day—school will be closed
05.1.22 Beginning of term
18.2.22 End of term 3

Start of Term 4
28.2.22 Beginning of term
8.04.22 End of term 4 **1pm finish**

Start of Term 5
25.4.22 Beginning of term
2.05.22 Bank Holiday
27.5.22 End of term 5

Start of Term 6
6.06.22 Beginning of term
22.7.22 End of term 6 **1pm finish**

Change of contact details

Name of child/children:

Name:

Email address:

Contact phone number:

Second contact details including name and phone number:

Please return to secretary@newlyn.cornwall.sch.uk. Thank you



FREE Public Swimming Sessions

Leisure providers are offering **FREE** weekly swim sessions to tackle the negative impact Covid-19 has had on many people's swimming skills development.

Days, times and start dates being confirmed for GLL Better Cornwall centres, Camelford, Penzance and Cam Brea Leisure Centres.

Please visit:

www.activecornwall.org/children-young-people-families/familys-provider-hub

Supported by Contain Outbreak Management Fund.

Find out more:





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Development Centre

Truro Development Centre Trial

Day	Thursday
Ages	U7 to U10
Date	Thursday 4th November
Timings	17:15–19:00
Price	Free
Website	WWW.CHELSEASOCCERSCHOOLS.CO.UK
Course code	FDC-TR-Tru-39

Age - U7 -U10

Venue – Truro College, Col-
lege Road, Truro TR1 3XX

Time – 17:15-19:00

Surface – 3G

Player's need;

Weather appropriate sports clothing

Football boots/trainers

Shin pads

Water bottle



For further details, please contact

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What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

SNAPCHAT

AGE RESTRICTION
13+

Snapchat is a photo- and video-sharing app which also allows users to chat with friends via text or audio. Users can share images and videos with specific friends, or through a 'story' (documenting the previous 24 hours) visible to their entire friend list. Snapchat usage rose during the pandemic, with many young people utilising it to connect with their peers. The app continues to develop features to engage an even larger audience and emulate current trends, rivaling platforms such as TikTok and Instagram.

CONNECTING WITH STRANGERS

Even if your child only connects on the app with people they know, they may still receive friend requests from strangers. Snapchat's links with apps such as Wink and Hoop have increased this possibility. Accepting a request means that children are then disclosing personal information through the Story, SnapMap and Spotlight features. This could allow predators to gain their trust for sinister purposes.

EXCESSIVE USE

There are many features that are attractive to users and keep them excited about the app. Snap streaks encourage users to send snaps daily. Spotlight Challenges give users the chance to obtain money and online fame, and the Spotlight feature's scroll of videos makes it easy for children to spend hours watching content.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Some videos and posts on Snapchat are not suitable for children. The hashtags used to group content are determined by the poster, so an innocent search term could still yield age-inappropriate results. The app's Discover function lets users swipe through snippets of news stories and trending articles that often include adult content. There is currently no way to turn off this feature.

SEXTING

Sexting continues to be a risk associated with Snapchat. The app's 'disappearing messages' feature makes it easy for young people (teens in particular) to share explicit images on impulse. While these pictures do disappear – and the sender is notified if it has been screenshotted first – users have found alternative methods to save images, such as taking pictures with a separate device.

DAMAGE TO CONFIDENCE

Snapchat's filters and lenses are a popular way for users to enhance their 'selfie game'. Although many are designed to entertain or amuse, the 'beautify' filters on photos can set unrealistic body image expectations and create feelings of inadequacy. Comparing themselves unfavourably against other Snapchat users could threaten a child's confidence or sense of self-worth.

VISIBLE LOCATION

My Places lets users check in and search for popular spots nearby – such as restaurants, parks or shopping centres – and recommend them to their friends. The potential issue with a young person consistently checking into locations on Snapchat is that it allows other users in their friends list (even people they have only ever met online) to see where they currently are and where they regularly go.

Advice for Parents & Carers

TURN OFF QUICK ADD

The Quick Add function helps people find each other on the app. This function works based on mutual friends or whether someone's number is in your child's contacts list. Explain to your child that this feature could potentially make their profile visible to strangers. We recommend that your child turns off Quick Add, which can be done in the settings (accessed via the cog icon).

CHOOSE GOOD CONNECTIONS

Snapchat has recently announced that it is rolling out a new safety feature: users will receive notifications reminding them of the importance of maintaining connections with people they actually know well, as opposed to strangers. This 'Friend Check Up' encourages users to delete connections with users they rarely communicate with, to maintain their online safety and privacy.

TALK ABOUT SEXTING

It may feel like an awkward conversation (and one that young people can be reluctant to have) but it is important to talk openly and non-judgementally about sexting. Discuss the legal implications of sending, receiving or sharing explicit images, as well as the possible emotional impact. Emphasise that your child should never feel pressured into sexting – and that if they receive unwanted explicit images, they should tell a trusted adult straight away.

CHAT ABOUT CONTENT

Talk to your child about what is and isn't wise to share on Snapchat (e.g. don't post explicit images or videos, or display identifiable details like their school uniform). Remind them that once something is online, the creator loses control over where it might end up – and who with. Additionally, Snapchat's 'Spotlight' feature has a #challenge like TikToks: it's vital that your child understands the potentially harmful consequences of taking part in these challenges.

KEEP ACCOUNTS PRIVATE

Profiles are private by default, but children may make them public to gain more followers. Your child can send Snaps directly to friends, but Stories are visible to everyone they have added, unless they change the settings. If they use SnapMaps, their location is visible unless 'Ghost Mode' is enabled (again via settings). It's prudent to emphasise the importance of not adding people they don't know in real life. This is particularly important with the addition of My Places, which allows other Snapchatters to see the places your child regularly visits and checks in: strangers, bullies and groomers could use this information to engage in conversation and arrange to meet in person.

BE READY TO BLOCK AND REPORT

If a stranger does connect with your child on Snapchat and begins to make them feel uncomfortable through bullying, pressure to send explicit images or by sending explicit images to them, your child can select the three dots on that person's profile and choose report or block. There are options to state why they are reporting that user (annoying or malicious messages, spam, or masquerading as someone else, for example).

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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