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Spring 2021

It has been far from a normal spring term but I am just so glad that we have all been able to start to get back to some normality although there are still so many restrictions in place. I am really hoping that our summer term will go ahead uninterrupted and that we can start to look forward to things once again. Fingers crossed! Thank you once again to all my amazing staff and all our parents for making Newlyn the lovely school that it is.

As we approach the Easter holiday I wish you all a relaxing holiday and hope you have time to enjoy your children without the added pressure of remote learning. Stay safe everyone.

Change to menu

On Thursday 1st April, (last day of term), there will be a change to the menu. We will be serving fish and chips that day instead of the advertised menu. I am really sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

Exciting news!

I am delighted to let you know that we have been able to book tickets for all our junior children (Y3-Y6), to watch The Further Adventures of Doctor Dolittle at the Minack theatre on June 16th during school time. I am even more delighted to tell you that FONS has agreed to cover the cost of this trip in full as we are very aware that budgets are very tight for many families. A huge thank you to FONS for their contribution. And how wonderful to have something to look forward to!

Surfing

We have been able to book surf lessons for all of our Year 6 children in the summer term. These will take place on Friday afternoons finishing at around 5pm but more information will come out nearer the time. We will be funding this club so that all our Y6 children can take part.

We have also booked a surf day for our Year 5 children and more information will be sent out next term.

Trainers and PE Kit

If your child has outgrown their trainers and they are still in good condition then we would really appreciate a donation. Any spare PE kit would also be appreciated. Thank you

Last Day of Term

The last day of the school term is **Thursday 1st April.**

Collection times are as follows:

EYFS/Y1: 12.35 pm Y1/Y2: 12.40 pm Y3: 12.50 pm Y4: 12.55 pm Y5/6: 1 pm

Older siblings can be collected at the same time as their younger siblings.

Year 3

This week Year 3 found out how pneumatics work. We looked at some things that use pneumatics to work, for example a pnuematic drill and a tyre pump, and discussed how we thought they would work.

We then conducted our own investigations using a range of syringes, balloons, tubes and balloon pumps, to see if we could lift an object using air. Finally, we started to gather ideas to create a moving monster! We can't wait to make our creations next week.



Sickness

If you child is unwell then please be cautious and keep them at home.

If you or your child have any symptoms you must get a COVID-19 test.

Please ring or email the school office as soon as possible to let us know if you are getting a test.

You can book a test online at: https://www.gov.uk/ get-coronavirus-test or phone the NHS test line 119.

Year 4

Year 4 have been thoroughly enjoying their Electricity topic in Science this term. This week, they conducted experiments about electrical insulators and conductors. They were able to choose their own items to add to the circuit, some of them even chose shoes! Next week, they will consolidate their learning by creating an electrical alarm system to protect their Egyptian tombs and treasures.



Minack Theatre

The Minack Theatre are hosting some small Plays in a day on Saturdays throughout April and May for children ages 11-18 and 8-11 (years 4-6). All of the days are completely free of charge and the children will have the opportunity to work with a professional director in very small groups of children. The theme for the days is Sherlock Holmes. It would be a great opportunity for any budding actors/storytellers. To make a booking for your child you will need to do so via the website following this link: Sherlock Holmes - a play in a day | Minack Theatre or call the box office on 01736 810181.



Term dates:

Last day of term: Thursday 1st April, 1pm First day back: Monday 19th April Last day of term: Friday 28th May

Stepping Stones

If you are a parent of a 2/3 year old child that is hoping to attend Stepping Stones Pre-school in September, please ensure you get in touch soon on 01736 363050.

Missing Instruments

Please will you have a look at home to see if you have an instrument belonging to the school and return it to the office. Many thanks.



















Free School Meals / Pupil Premium

At this time, many families may find themselves eligible for Free School Meals and Pupil Premium who previously did not meet the criteria. Please read this page carefully to find out if you are now eligible. Cornwall Council are continuing to process new applications for Free School Meals. **Please ensure that you read the eligibility criteria before applying** and complete the online application form if you are eligible.

 $\underline{https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/school-meals/application-for-freeschool-meals-and-pupil-premium/$

Postal applications are currently not being accepted but, if you are unable to apply online, you can call the Free School Meals team on 01872 323298 and a member of the team will call you back to complete the application over the phone.

Your child may be eligible for benefits-related free school meals if you, or the child themselves in their own right, receives of any of the following benefits:

- ♦ Income Support (IS)
- Job Seekers' Allowance (Income-Based) and equal based Job Seekers Allowance
- Income Related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA-IR) and equal based Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (CTC) with an annual income of less than £16,190
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Guarantee Element of Pension Credit (GPC)
- ♦ Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 (IAA) Support
- Universal Credit Your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get) as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods
- If you are claiming the benefits listed below you are **NOT** eligible for free school meals, regardless of what other benefits/credits are being claimed:
- Working Tax Credit
- ♦ Contribution-Based Job Seeker's Allowance and/or Contribution-Based Employment and Support Allowance

However, you will be temporarily eligible to claim free school meals if you receive a **Working Tax Credit run-on**, which is the payment you may receive for a further four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.

If you think that your child is eligible for Free School Meals, please contact Cornwall Council on the link above.