

# Carclaze Newsletter

Friday 13 September 2019

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CORNWALL EDUCATION

May Bank Holiday 2020 - Has been changed from

Monday 4 May to Friday 8 May.

Inset Days 2019 (confirmed):

- 4 September 19
- 28 and 29 October 19
- 6 January 20
- 14 April 20

Please see the school website for a full list of next year's term dates.

#### Welcome and updates

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to see the children enjoying the first full week of term. There is such a positive learning atmosphere in the classrooms.

This week we also welcomed the new Foundation Stage children for the mornings. I have enjoyed getting to meet the new members of the school.

Each day next week a different Year group will offer the opportunity for you to come and "meet the teacher". This will be a chance to hear a little more about the routines and expectations of your child's new year group. You will also be able to ask questions. Don't worry if you are unable to attend, teachers will send home paper copies of the information they share.

Also next week will be an opportunity to get to know more about the Friends of Carclaze School. Pop along at 7pm on Thursday 19th September to find out more about the role of this group in supporting the school and how you can get involved. Refreshments will be provided.

Finally, there has been some updated information about how Cornwall Council deals with penalty notices for unauthorised absences. More detail can be found later in this newsletter. If you have any questions please come and speak to Mrs Shopland or myself.

Best wishes

Simon Pollard Head Teacher

Responsibility- Celebration		ATTENDANCE AWARDS	
Our focus value for this half term is:			
<u>Responsibility</u>		Welcome to the weekly attendance awards. We have been set a target of more than 96%	
We can show responsibility by taking care of ourselves and others, doing our duties and jobs, taking care of our things and other people's and by helping to take care of our homes, schools, communities and even <u>the world.</u>		attendance. This week the following classes have reached their target and will receive 10 minutes extra play:	
Porthpean	Maths - C.Cox	Porthpean	99.7%
	Good Work - E.Munn	Pisky Cove	97.7%
Pisky Cove	K.Sleep	Mawgan Porth	98.3%
	E.Thompson	Greenaway	98.3%
Greenaway	E.Pollington	Carlyon Bay	97.9%
	R.Perren	Perranporth	100%
	K.Banks	Bamaluz	100%
Sennen	Celebration - A.Darville	Hemmick	99.3%
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Ma	Responsibility - J.Stamp		
	Maths - M.Hicks	<b>-</b>	s just missed out on their ood luck for next week:
Harlyn Bay	Responsibility - A.L.Allen	Targer mis week. Ood lack for hear week	
	Celebration - F.McCarthy		
Porthluney	P.Tinnion	Sennen	91.1%
	L.Sharp	Harlyn Bay	94.7%

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Certificates will be presented in assembly each week (Fridays at 2.30pm). We aim to call parents the night before to invite you in if your child is receiving a certificate. If you would like to know your child's individual attendance please login to the eSchools website - www.carclazesch.org

95.2%



**Dear Parent and Carers** 

Next week we will be holding Meet the Teacher sessions in Years 1-5. The purpose of these is to provide information on routines and processes for the year ahead and also give you an opportunity ask questions relating to your child's class.

We have tried to timetable these to allow as many parents and carers as possible to attend. Each session will take place in a classroom on the following days:

Year 1 - Tuesday @ 2:30pm

Year 2 - Friday @ 2:30pm

Year 3 - Wednesday @ 2:30pm

Year 4 - Monday @ 2:30pm

Year 5 - Thursday @ 2:30pm

We understand that not all parents will be able to attend and will therefore make the information provided available as a written leaflet after the session. However, we encourage as many parents as possible to attend so that you are given the opportunity to ask questions and gain as much information as possible.

We hope you will find these sessions informative and look forward to seeing you there.

Many thanks

Simon Pollard, Amanda Colwill and Roxanne Aitken Carclaze School



#### Garden news!



Welcome back to all parents and children after a lovely Summer break. You may notice that we have been working hard to improve the outdoor environment at Carclaze during the Summer holiday. This has been a voluntary team of parents and staff. The flower beds have been tidied, added to or in some cases, redesigned. There are some new areas of grass and the playground has been weeded and swept. Please can we ask for your support with our outdoor areas by picking up any litter and ensuring that your children don't run across the flower beds. Our aim is to provide and maintain an outstanding learning environment in all areas of the school. Working together, we can achieve this goal.

#### Can you help?

On Fridays after school (weather permitting), there will be a volunteer gardening club for parents and children until 4pm (approx). This will be an opportunity to maintain the work that has happened over the summer. Largely it will consist of sweeping, litter picking and weeding (teas, coffees and squashes provided!) Please just feel free to turn up when you can, your time and support will be hugely appreciated. We would also welcome any donations of plants (perennials in particular) and ground coverage (bark, pebbles etc). If you do have anything that you come across during the year that might add to our environment, please do not hesitate to contact the office and let them know.

Many thanks for your continued support,

Helen Knight (Governor and Parent Volunteer)



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Head Teacher ~ Símon Pollard

#### Care Communicate Persevere and Sparkle

11<sup>th</sup> September 2019

#### **RE: ATTENDANCE PROCEDURES AND EXPECTATIONS**

#### Dear Parent/Carer

Here at Carclaze Community Primary School, we recognise that there are occasions when it is appropriate to authorise an absence, such as when a pupil is genuinely too ill to attend school, has a medical appointment that cannot be taken outside of school hours or a request for leave has been agreed in exceptional circumstances.

However, the Government does not support parents taking children out of school unless the school agrees this is appropriate under 'exceptional circumstances'. Any request for leave should be made in writing to the Head Teacher using the school's request form at least 14 days prior to the proposed date of absence.

If you decide to still take your child out of school, without permission, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may refer the matter to Cornwall Council who may decide to take legal action against you. A penalty notice can be issued under Section 444A and 444B of the Education Act 1996. This carries a fine of £60 if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after this but within 28 days. **Penalty Notice fines are issued per parent/carer, per child**. Failure to pay the penalty notice may result in Court action. Persistent absences not authorised by the school may result in a prosecution in the Magistrates Court, leading to fines up to £2,500 and/or custodial sentences \*. The Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court.

You are welcome to contact the school to discuss any concerns you may have regarding this or if you feel you would like advice or support in helping your child attend more regularly. Carclaze Community Primary School is committed to maximising the education of all its pupils and aims to work with parents to ensure this can be achieved.

Yours sincerely

S. Polland

Mr Simon Pollard Head Teacher

\* For an offence under the Education Act 1996 Sec 444 (1) the maximum fine is £1000. For an offence under the Education Act 1996 Sec 444 (1A) the maximum fine is £2500 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months. Alternatively, a penalty notice may be issued under Section 444A and 444B of the Education Act 1996. This carries a fine of £60 if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after this but within 28 days. Failure to pay the penalty notice may result in Court action.

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#### AVOIDABLE ABSENCE IN TERM TIME

IMPORTANT: Please read carefully the information below.

WARNING: If you allow your child to miss school in term time for an avoidable reason without obtaining the prior approval of the school, you may be issued with a Penalty Notice\* per parent per child, or made the subject of court proceedings under section 444 Education Act 1996.

As a parent/carer, you can demonstrate your commitment to your child's education by not allowing your child to miss school for anything other than an exceptional and unavoid able reason

THE FACTS	THE LAW	
School aged pupils in Comwall maintained schools are expected to attend punctually on the 190 days that the school is open. Whilst there are a number of unavoidable reasons why a pupil might be away from school (illness, medical appointments, exclusions etc.) the legislation is clear that any avoidable absence may only be authorised by a school if there are exc eptional circumstances.	The law allows the school to consider individual requests to authorise a future avoidable absence. However, before the school can authorise any such requests, they must satisfy themselves that there are exceptional circumstances which justify such a decision. It is entirely the responsibility of the parent submitting the request to provide sufficient evidence/ information in order to establish this fact. The request for leave must come from the parent with whom the child normally resides.	
WHAT YOU SHOULD CONSIDER Research suggests that children who are taken out of school		
may never catch up on the learning they have missed. This may affect test results and can be particularly harmful if the child is studying for final year examinations.	If a child then stays away from school for more than the authorised period this must be recorded as unauthorised absence and could be quoted in a prosecution for poor	
Children who struggle with English or Mathematics may also find it even harder to cope when they return to school, while younger children may find it difficult to renew friendships with their classmates.	attendance. If the child is away for a period of four weeks or more, the school may have the option to take the child off roll subject to the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006.	
If the school is unable to authorise the absence and the child is still taken out of school, this will be recorded as unauthorised absence and you may receive a £60* fine per parent per child.	In case of unexpected extended absence, it is advisable that the parent fully informs the school as to the reasons. If a child is removed from roll, there is no guarantee that the child will regain a place at the school.	
Unavoidable absence from school will be authorised.	Other examples of absence from school that will not be	
Examples include: Genuine illness	authorised include: Any type of shopping	
Unavoidable medical/d ental appointments (but try to	Looking after siblings or unwell parents	
make these after school if at all possible). Days of religious observance.	Minding the house Birthdays	
Seeing a parent who is on leave from the armed forces	Resting after a late night	
External examinations	Relatives visiting or visiting relatives	
When traveller children are on the road with their parents		

The law requires parents to ensure their children receive an efficient full time education, and every minute of every day is important. Please help them not to miss any of this valuable time.

We hope that when you have read this leaflet you will consider that your child's education is too important to allow them to miss school for avoidable reasons.

\*Penalty notice - £60 if paid within 21 days increasing to £120 if paid after 21 days and before 28 days.







# Friends of Carclaze School 1X1 # \X1 # \X1 # \X1 # \X1 # \X1 # \X1

New Term Welcome Meeting

Wine & Cheese Evening with AGM to follow

## Thursday 19 September From 7 PM

For more information pop into the school office, follow us on Facebook or email friendsofcarclazeschool@outloook.com



#### Current Committee..

Chair - Joanna Miles Vice Chairs - Donna Miles & Marie Kast Treasurers - Jo Plester & Zoe Derriman Secretary - Kerry Gray Vice Secretary - Alisa Shopland

We are friendly, approachable and hope to put new attendees at ease but if you are nervous, bring someone along with you as the more the merrier!



#### Bodmin Moor Poetry Festival presents a series of FREE Art Workshops

Are you into making pictures/writing poems/puppets/dancing? Then why not come along to one of our FREE art workshops as part of the eighth Bodmin Moor Poetry Festival?

Using the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall as our inspiration, our fabulous bunch of artists welcome all ages from 7 upwards to join them & make exciting creative work & help us build our very own wall!!

Each workshop will make work to be displayed on or in large cardboard boxes. These boxes will be assembled at Sterts Arts Centre as the backdrop to an exciting multi-media event on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September

#### Full details overleaf

Expertise is welcome but not compulsory - just come along and join in the fun! Everyone taking part in a Workshop is invited to join in our Breaking Down the Walls event 3.30pm – 5.30pm @Sterts on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September



Bodmin Moor Poetry Festival 27 – 29 September www.bodminmoorpoetryfestival.com







Do you want to protect your child against disease and stop infections spreading?





Are you unsure whether you or your children

Do you have any concerns or questions about vaccinations?

are up to date with essential vaccinations?



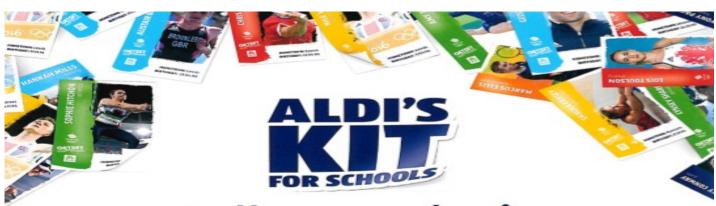
Meet the **Robotic** Animals

Come along to our nurse led vaccination fayre, for information and advice, as well as fun for all ages.

Wheal Northey Surgery September 21st 2019, 10am – 2pm



Colouring in Table



# Collect and win with Aldi's Kit for Schools.

This September, Aldi's Kit for Schools promotion is giving 20 primary schools the chance to win £20,000 to kick-start a health legacy for their school. What's more, every school who enters by completing their Aldi's Kit for Schools poster will also receive an exclusive school sports kit!

#### **Taking part**

- 1. Collect. Ask members of your school community to pick up their Team GB sticker whenever they spend £30 in any Aldi store, and bring the stickers into school to add to your Aldi's Kit for Schools poster.
- Explore. Try out each poster's 150 healthy challenges in assembly or the classroom, and explore the Get Stuck In teaching resources from the Get Set to Eat Fresh education programme.
- 3. Win. Complete the poster with 300 Team GB stickers to receive a school sports kit and the chance to win a cash prize of £20,000 to build a health legacy at your school.

Find out more and get stuck in at etseteatt resh co.uk/kitfe

T&/Cs apply.



# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Welcome Meeting Cheese & Wine Evening with AGM

Thursday 19 September From 7pm in the staff room.

Please come along to find out more

friendsofcarclazeschool@outlook.com

Find us of Facebook Friends of Carclaze School

Speak to Alisa In the school office

#### parentkind.org.uk

is brimming with articles for parents, to help you support your child's school life and learning, and it's open to everyone!

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The Friends of Carclaze School is a small charity made up of a group of people consisting of parents, school staff and the local community wanting to fundraise for the school. The school's tightly stretched budget cannot always go around.

The Friends of Carclaze gives us all the opportunity to work together, meet new people, refresh and learn old and new skills, and to feel a part of the community. It really does take as little or as much time as you can manage.

## This year's activities raised over £5000!

Every year we raise a large sum of money which helps to resource the school in vital areas. In the past few years we have helped fund torchlight carnival materials, large undercover den in field, a new library,

iPads, climbing wall, slide and climbing structure, whole school cinema trip, beanbags, sandpits, playtime play and activities equipment. Most recently we have bought a fantastic new stage .....



A sneaky peak at what went on .... Fayres & Fun Singalong Discos Bingo

### We Need more Help .....

Thank you to everyone who has helped us over the past year. Many of our existing Committee are moving on, so as well as general helpers we are also looking for volunteers to take on committee roles. Whatever help you can offer please get in touch, take a look at our <u>facebook</u> page, speak to Alisa in the office, or drop us an email.



