SCHOOL BULLETIN 16th October 2026

Ready, Respectful and Safe

A message from Mrs Drake

Dear families,

It is incredible how quickly this half term has flown by! It feels as though September was only yesterday, yet our children have already experienced and achieved so much. From exciting learning opportunities to sporting events and wider experiences, it has been a wonderful start to the academic year, and there is still plenty to look forward to before half term arrives.

We hope that those of you who attended our **Parent Information Meetings** this week found them useful and informative. If you have not yet booked an appointment, there is still time to do so, as the meetings will continue next Wednesday evening. We look forward to welcoming many more of you.

A huge thank you goes to **Mrs Bridger, Mrs Doyle and Mrs McGowan** for taking our football team to today's event. The children represented our school brilliantly, working hard, demonstrating excellent teamwork and showing great sportsmanship throughout. We were delighted to win one match and score in another. Well done to Hamlyn and Troy for scoring our goals!

Alongside all of the exciting activities taking place, we continue to focus on **supporting the wellbeing and development of our children.** Our Year 4 pupils will be working with Jon Evison, our Mental Health Practitioner, as part of our ongoing commitment to promoting positive mental health and emotional wellbeing. This week, I also met with our Educational Psychologist to discuss several children and explore how we can best support their needs in school. These discussions are invaluable in helping us ensure that every child receives the right support to thrive both academically and personally.

You may have noticed that the skip has now arrived and work has begun on clearing the area where the **pirate ship** once stood. Once the site has been cleared, we will be able to start developing this space into an area that the children can enjoy and make good use of.

As many of you will be aware, we do not have a Site Supervisor, so this work is being carried out by members of our school team. A special thank you goes to our teaching assistants, who have been giving up time to help clear the area alongside their regular responsibilities, including delivering interventions and supporting children throughout the school day. Whilst time is often short and progress may take a little longer than we would like, we are determined to create an attractive and engaging space for our children. We look forward to sharing updates with you as the project develops.

Our **Harvest display** is looking wonderful. Thank you to everyone who has already contributed. If you are able to make a donation, we would be very grateful. All donations will be passed on to support our local food bank and help families within our community.

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Looking Ahead to Next Week

•**Monday**: A number of our teaching assistants will be attending First Aid training. We are committed to ensuring that staff have up-to-date training and the skills needed to support the safety and wellbeing of all children.

•**Tuesday afternoon:** A group of children will be visiting the church to sing Harvest songs. Further details will be shared on Monday.

•**Wednesday**: We will be holding our lockdown practice, as communicated earlier this week.

•**Wednesday evening:** The second Parent Information Meeting session will take place.

•**Thursday**: Individual school photographs will be taken. Please ensure children come to school photo-ready!

•**Friday**: Our Halloween Disco will take place. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children will enjoy their disco from **2.00pm to 3.15pm,** and Key Stage 2 children will attend from **3.15pm to 4.30pm**. Children are welcome to bring their costumes to school in a named bag and get changed before the disco. Please see the attached poster for further information.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We have another busy week ahead and are looking forward to all the opportunities it will bring.

Have a lovely weekend.
Mrs Drake
Headteacher

Harvest Foodbank Donations



Information for Families

Upcoming Events

October
Wednesday 21st October, 3.30 - 6.30 pm – Parent Information meeting – Please book on e-schools
Thursday 22nd October – School Photographs (Siblings and Individuals) - come to school in full uniform and photo ready!
Friday 23rd October – Halloween Disco – Further information including timings will follow from PTA.
Friday 23rd October – Break up for half term today. Usual 3.15pm finish time.
November
Monday 2nd November – All pupils return to school for 8.45 am.
Tuesday 3rd November – Hearing Screening for Year 1 children
Friday 13th November – Children in Need – Non Uniform Day – children to wear spots, colourful own clothes.
Tuesday 17th November – Whole School flu immunisation (please complete the form when you receive the email to opt in).
December
Thursday 3rd December – Children singing for the Silver Circle during their Christmas meal.
Tuesday 8th December – 10.00 am – Rock Steady End of Term Concert, parents and carers invited.
Wednesday 9th December – Christmas Lunch Day
Thursday 10th December – Christmas Jumper Day – all children are welcome to wear a festive jumper to school in place of their cardigan and school jumpers
Tuesday 10th December – Year 2 and 3 Christmas Sleepover at Cohort, St Ives, details to be sent to parents
Monday 14th December – EYFS Christmas Play at School – Little Acorns & Mighty Oaks
Tuesday 15th December – Year 2 and Year 3 Christmas Play at the Community Centre
Wednesday 16th December – Years 4, 5 & 6 Christmas Play at the Community Centre
Friday 18th December – School closes for the holiday – 1.30 pm collection time.
January
Monday 4th January - Inset Day – school closed to all pupils.
Tuesday 5th January – Children return to school.

Communication

How to contact us:
In all instances, please contact your class teacher first via the school email address:
secretary@st-erme.cornwall.sch.uk titled FAO: Class teacher name OR catch them on the door.

How we will contact you:
We will share information via Class Dojo – this is a one way information sharing platform. Letters will be sent via email. If we need to communicate with you individually, we will call you or send you an email.

Please Note: Class teachers may occasionally send brief messages through Class Dojo to share updates or information about your child or class activities. However, we kindly ask that parents do not use Class Dojo as the main method of communication with class teachers. Teachers are not always able to monitor messages during the school day, and notifications may be received outside of their working hours.
If you have a question, concern, or need to pass on information, please contact the school office in the first instance. This helps us ensure that messages are received promptly and directed to the appropriate member of staff. Thank you for your support and understanding.

Apps you will need:
Class Dojo – one way information sharing platform
Parentpay – booking system for school meals, trips/visits and wraparound clubs
Emile – Homework platform

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Half Term Events



Time 2 Move – October Half Term Activities

[Parents and Carers – Active Cornwall]



