



AUTUMN TERM - NEWSLETTER - Issue 08 19th December 2023

## Supporting one another in learning and life. Compassion, Wisdom, Perseverance



*Head teacher's blog...*

Dear parents and carers,

Well, we have finally got there and less than a week until Christmas day! The last two weeks have been pretty busy, with lots to celebrate. As usual, the children have continued to be an absolute credit to our school and we continue to be incredibly proud of them.

During the week beginning December 4<sup>th</sup>, we had the Dodgeball festival on Wednesday which was lots of fun and our team came first out of seven teams from the Roseland Primary Schools. The children were excellent and showed great skills in teamwork as well as fair play. Well done!! 🎉 We also had the Truro Cathedral service on Wednesday which was really lovely. All eleven of the Rainbow Academy schools took part and once again, the children from Veryan were wonderful.

On Thursday, despite the rain, Kiberick managed to get to the Wild tribe field for some Anglo Saxon activities which looked like lots of fun. There are photographs in this newsletter of all these events.

Last week we had our Christmas Nativity and Carol service and were very pleased to welcome Douglas Wren to join us. The children were fantastic and thanks must go again to our brilliant staff for all their hard work in putting the service together. We are also incredibly grateful to Karen Green, Jackie Clark and Jack Wilson for giving up their own time to help make it happen.

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**Building a brighter future together**



Thank you to those parents and families who were able to join us for our two 'Class Museum' events. The children loved having you in to share their learning this half term; it was wonderful to see such a varied array of exhibits and to hear such knowledgeable explanations from the guides... I certainly learned lots of new things about Toys and the Anglo Saxons!

Our two visits to Woodland Valley Farm were a real treat. We were blessed with two dry days so the children could fully appreciate the Farm and Beaver enclosure. They not only learned a great deal about organic farming and Beaver dams, they also learned how to make a natural wreath.

I must finish with a few thank you messages...

Firstly, many thanks to Pippa Stephens for organising and managing the Veryan Christmas Cards this year. It was a huge undertaking and a very kind offer. In total, £150 was raised for the school!

Secondly, many thanks to the PFA for the Veryan Christmas Fair. This involves a great deal of planning and hard work and we are extremely grateful to those parents for giving up their time to put this event on.

Finally, a last thank you must go to Donna Tregunna, Pippa Stephens and Mrs Bull for giving up their time to provide our whole school Christmas Disco and enabling the children to celebrate the end of term in style!

With all my very best wishes for a restful and wonderful Christmas break,

Caroline Jarrett

We have exciting news that Holly Prisk (Holly's Hat's!) will be running a craft club next term. Please do take advantage of this wonderful opportunity!

If anyone has any beads or wooden clothes pegs to donate, that would be fantastic. Plus, please keep hold of cardboard tubes (kitchen roll, wrapping paper, pringles, etc) and see-through coloured sweet wrappers.

Thank you so much !



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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Wraparound	3.15 – 4.15 <b>£3.00</b> Snack provided Pick up from main school gate	3.15 – 4.15 <b>£3.00</b> Snack provided Pick up from main school gate	3.15 – 4.15 <b>£3.00</b> Snack provided Pick up from main school gate	3.15 – 4.30 <b>£3.00</b> Snack provided Pick up from main school gate	3.15 – 4.15 <b>£3.00</b> Snack provided Pick up from main school gate
Additional Clubs	3.15 – 4.00 <b>No charge</b> Dodgeball KS2 Mr Webb <b>(no snack)</b> Pick up from main school gate	3.15 – 4:00 <b>£1.00 in cash</b> Y6 club <b>(no snack)</b> Pick up from main school gate	We are in discussion about winter clubs that can replace netball and football until the spring...	If there are any clubs that you would be interested in running please contact the office, thank you.	

## Attendance

Our Attendance Last week;

Carne Class - 95.19%

Kiberick Class - 93%

**TOTAL - 94.1%**



Please ensure reading records are sent in daily.  
Many thanks.



## DIARY DATES...

- FAMILY WORSHIP EVERY FRIDAY 14:45
- Wrap around daily (payable on ParentPay)
- Clubs (see page 2)

**04/01/24** - First day back to school

The Rainbow Multi Academy Trust Carol concert took place at Truro Cathedral on 6th Dec. Holly, Olive, Ellie, Sennen and Emily represented the school. Well done for singing your hearts out, you did us all proud.



# Christmas Dodgeball.

Archie, George T, George P, Kayden, Teddy and William represented Veryan School at the dodgeball on the second, and Won!! Congratulations, excellent work, they were a credit to the school, as always, we are very proud of them.



# Anglo Saxon day...

Kiberick had a wonderful time at the Wild Tribe field, despite the weather. They created various Anglo Saxon artifacts and used natural materials to replicate Anglo Saxon houses.



# Anglo Saxon day continued...





# Learning with Carne...

We joined our school lunch and packed lunch rooms together and created a long table to enjoy Christmas lunch as a school...



Stay and play continues to run on Friday mornings...



Our school Nativity was, I think you'll all agree, a triumph, all the children were fantastic and it was a magical evening...



Woodland Valley Farm trip was great fun, we walked around the beaver's habitat, met some animals, and made Christmas Wreaths...



# Woodland Valley Farm trip Continued...



**Beavers Impact on Biodiversity**

- 10 new birds recorded (including the white-tailed eagle) since the water ran.
- 11 of 13 Bat species recorded on site.
- 50% increase in plant species since 2010.
- Number of Beetles increased from 8 to 26 species since 2010.
- 5 times as many plankton in beaver ponds than unaltered streams.
- 4x as many dragonfly species identified on site.
- 3 new mammal species (Honey badger, Pine marten, Hazel mouse).
- 8 Woody leaky dams built by beavers.
- Greater fish diversity & size.
- Trout doubled in size.
- 3 new streams.
- Beavers have reconnected the original stream with its flood plain and kept it free of silt.
- 28% increase in invertebrate species due to increase in quality of the food web and habitat diversity.
- 6 new ponds created.
- Beaver Dams: More Water, More Trees, More Habitat for the future.
- Increase in frog species from 10 to 680 clumps, over 6 years.

Logos: Cornwall Wildlife Trust, QJ, FALMOUTH, EXETER



# Some of the beautiful natural wreaths made by the children on their farm trip...



# Some of the festive fun and frolicking in the lead up to Christmas...



Kiberick's Anlglo Saxon Museum... there was a real buzz in the school when our museums we're opened for viewing, the displays we very impressive.



# Carne's 'Unexpected old and new toy museum'...





**WE ARE RECRUITING**

**Veryan C of E Primary School**

**To apply or request further details please call  
or email Kelly Teasdale**

**07889 535188**

**Kelly.Teasdale@churchillservices.com**

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# CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY ROADSHOWS

MID/WEST CORNWALL DECEMBER 2023 | 9.30AM-3.30PM  
BOYS & GIRLS ALL ABILITIES AGED 5-15

**WEDNESDAY 20TH**

Carn Brea Leisure Centre

**THURSDAY 21ST**

Falmouth Sports Hub

**FRIDAY 22ND**

Carn Brea Leisure Centre

**WEDNESDAY 27TH**

Carn Brea Leisure Centre

**THURSDAY 28TH**

Falmouth Sports Hub

Grampound with Creed Village Hall

**FRIDAY 29TH**

Falmouth Sports Hub



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TASTER  
sessions  
available



## An art club for children that...

- Provides a safe artistic space where children aged 6 - 16 have time to do long-term projects.
- Uses professional materials and delivers an in-depth art education.
- Builds children's confidence and self-esteem.
- Advises students studying GCSE how to build-up their sketchbook.

Mediums explored include: watercolours, acrylics, pastels, pencil, clay, papier maché.  
All materials are provided. **Adults classes and private tuition also available.**

### Session Times

Tuesday	14.00 - 15.30 (home educated group) 16.30 - 17.45
Wednesday	10.30 - 12.00 (home educated group) 16.30 - 17.45
Thursday	16.30 - 17.45
Saturday	9.30 - 11, 11.30 - 13.00 & 14.00 - 15.30

### Contact us...

Barras Moor Farm, Perranarworthal,  
Truro, Cornwall TR3 7PE

If you are interested in joining art-K  
please contact Sara on 07852 674316,  
email her at [sara@art-k.co.uk](mailto:sara@art-k.co.uk)  
or visit us online at [www.art-k.co.uk](http://www.art-k.co.uk)

acrylic oil watercolour mixed media modelling collage clay



CORNWALL CRICKET CENTRE

# CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CAMPS

Softball £15, 20th Dec, 10am to 3pm for school years 1 to 4.

<https://booking.ecb.co.uk/d/zpqdnw>

Hardball £20, 21st Dec, 10am to 3pm for school years 4 to 8.

<https://booking.ecb.co.uk/d/hpqdnx>



SOFTBALL



HARDBALL

[www.cornwallcricket.co.uk](http://www.cornwallcricket.co.uk)

You're invited to join

# STAY AND PLAY

At Veryan Parish Hall on Friday  
mornings from 10:30-11:45

PARENTS ,CARERS  
AND CHILDREN AGED  
0-3 WELCOME



**Things to note:**  
Keep an eye on the school  
facebook page for updates and  
changes.

Enjoy a range of fun activities  
Please BYO snacks  
Water, tea and coffee is  
available for all

## WHY STAY AND PLAY WITH US?

Meet other parents and carers  
in your community. Get to know  
staff from school and give your  
children the opportunity to  
make friends and learn social  
skills in a safe nurturing  
environment.

[WWW.VERYANSCHOOL.CO.UK](http://WWW.VERYANSCHOOL.CO.UK)



SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER IN LEARNING AND LIFE

# Why is Year 6 being weighed and measured?

The school nursing team is visiting Year 6!

We are going to measure the weight and height of Year 6 pupils as part of our work to help keep the nation healthy.

## What will happen?

- You will be measured one at a time in private.
- All you need to do is take your shoes off – it will be really quick!
- Only your parents or carers will see the results – not your teachers or friends.

## Did you know?

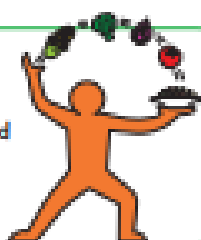
- Children are weighed and measured when they are babies, and again in Reception and Year 6.
- It helps the government see how healthy the nation is, and plan health and leisure services for children.
- It's a good chance to check how you're developing and think about ways you can become healthier.

## Top tips for a healthier you

Everyone can find ways to be healthier – what can you do today?

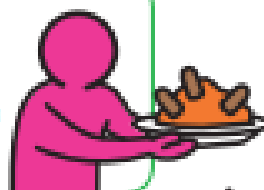
### 1. 5 a day

Try to eat five portions and a variety of fruit and veg every day.



### 2. cut back fat

Try and keep foods like crisps, buses, cakes, pastries and biscuits as occasional treats only.



### 3. watch the salt

Check the label and choose foods lower in salt and try not to add salt to your food.



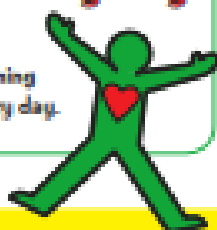
### 4. sugar swaps

Swap sugary drinks for water, lower-fat milks, no-added-sugar or sugar-free drinks.



### 5. get going every day

Spend at least 60 minutes walking, playing sport, running around or being active every day.



### 6. me size meals

Children need smaller portions than grown ups. Start with a smaller amount of food on your plate, then ask for more if you are still hungry.

Search [Change4Life](#)

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Eat well Move more Live longer

# Preloved Uniform

Preloved and affordable Veryan School uniform now available, please check it out. We will continue to collect items that are no longer required to make them available to others that could use them, I can collect these in the office. Any money made from the sales will go towards projects or trips for the children.

**ANY ORDERS MADE FOR UNIFORM WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION ON MONDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER AT THE SCHOOL AT 10AM, WASHED AND READY TO WEAR.**



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we will contact you to let you know when it is  
available to collect.

Funds raised will go directly to Veryan School

**We are still accepting donations!**  
**Keep them coming!**



# FOOTBALL SATURDAY MORNINGS

## WHEN

**9am-10am Reception Class/Yr1**  
**9am-10:30am Years 2-7**



## WHERE

**Probus School**


## DETAILS

**All abilities welcome**  
**Qualified FA coaches**  
**No need to book**

## BRING

**Football boots AND trainers**  
**Suitable clothing**  
**Shin pads**  
**Drink**

**NO NEED TO BOOK, JUST TURN UP READY TO PLAY!**

 **@probusyouthfootballclub**

## EACH SATURDAY

**In association with Probus  
Youth Football Club**

## AGES

**Reception to Yr 7**

## PRICE

**Reception/Yr1 £4**  
**Yr2- Yr7 £5**

## COACHES

**Steve Flack**  
**Will Ferguson**  
**Other PYFC coaches**

## FUN...

**Outdoor football skills,  
drills and matches with  
experienced coaches**



## Free School Meals

If you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals the criteria and link you will need to follow are below. Not only would your child receive free meals but this enables the school to access additional funding. If you would apply by post please contact the office for a paper application form.

### Free school meals eligibility criteria if you receive benefits

A child is eligible for free school meals if their parent/carer (or the child themselves) receives any of the following benefits:

Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods).

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) Supports

If you are claiming the benefits listed below you are not eligible for free school meals. This is 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

### Link to Cornwall Council Website for Free School Meals

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schools-and-education/schools-and-colleges/school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals-and-pupil-premium/>