



## **Year 1 and Year 2 Blackberry Picking**

On Monday afternoon Year 1 and Year 2 braved the windy weather to go blackberry picking. The children were very excited and picked plenty of juicy blackberries from the brambly hedges. On Tuesday morning Y1 used their blackberries to bake delicious blackberry muffins and Year 2 made scrumptious blackberry crumbles. The children are now able to explain where some of our food comes from and how we can use our local produce to make a variety of different foods.

Thank you to Mr Michel for allowing us to use his field and a big thank you to all the parents and carers who kindly came to help.



## **Transfer to Secondary School September 2018**

If you are a parent of a current Year 6 child please remember to apply for their place at secondary school. The deadline is 31 October 2017. You should have received a letter from Cornwall Council giving you information on how to submit your application.

More information is available on the Cornwall Council website [www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions).

## **Parent Pupil Workshops**

Parent/pupil workshops will be taking place over the next couple of weeks. Each of these will start at 9.10 am and will comprise of a maths activity that parents are invited to carry out with their child, as well as information from the classteacher about the curriculum and internet safety.

Mon 18 Sept - Year 3, Tue 19 Sept - Year 4  
Wed 20 Sept - Year 5, Thur 21 Sept - Year 1  
Fri 22 Sept - Year 6, Mon 25 Sept - Year 2

Each meeting will be finished by 10.30 am. Please make every effort to attend these.

## **Parent Communication**

This week you should have received your child's data collection sheet via the school book bag for checking and returning to school. It is really important that you keep us updated with your mobile number, home phone number and email address in case we need to contact you should your child become unwell during the school day.

Last term we introduced a text reminder service for parents and this term we are using their email service. This system pulls across the data we hold for parents from our School Information Management System. Therefore, in order for parents to receive messages via text or email we must hold your correct details.

## **After School Clubs**

Last term we introduced an online booking system for after school clubs. Some clubs are very popular and any children who were not successful in getting a place in their chosen club will be put on the waiting list. All parents are emailed place confirmation via our new email system. If you have completed an online club form but not received confirmation, please check with the office that we hold your correct contact details.

### Parenting Group

Have you ever wished that you were not such a “push over”? Would you like to be able to say “no” without causing offence? Do you wish your children would listen to you? Would you like to be able to explain how you feel, even to a person in authority? Would you like your family to realise that you have feelings too? Then an assertiveness course is what you need.

The next course starts on **Thursday 14 September at 9.00 am**, in the Truro Baptist Church. A crèche will be provided. The cost is £1-50 per session to pay for the books. Each session starts with a cup of tea or coffee which is free. Contact Polly Smyth on 07971 254 096 or Ali Stephens on 07973 452 780 if you would like more details.

### Child Health Form & Health Questionnaire

If your child is in Year F or Year 6 you will soon be sent home an important information booklet about health checks carried out at school.

It is important that you read this booklet and return any necessary paperwork back to the school.

### Starting School September 2018

If you have a child born between 1 September 2013 and 31 August 2014, you need to apply for a school place for September 2018. The deadline is 15 January 2018. More information is available on the Cornwall Council website [www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions).

### Scholastic Book Fair

The school's annual book fair is being held on the following dates and times:

Friday 22 September - 8.15 - 8.45 am & 3.20 - 3.50 pm

Monday 25 September - 8.15 - 8.45 am & 3.20 - 3.50 pm

Tuesday 26 September - 8.15 - 8.45 am & 3.20 - 3.50 pm

Wednesday 27 September - 8.15 - 8.45 am & 3.20 - 3.50 pm

Please try to come along and support the school if you can. The more books we sell, the more commission we will receive for new books for our library. Parents can pay for books by cash or cheque. Unfortunately we cannot accept card payments.



### HARVEST FESTIVAL

Everyone is welcome to join us for our Harvest Celebrations on **Friday 6 October**. There will be a short service for parents of **Infant children (YF, 1 & 2) at 9.15 am**. Parents of **Juniors (Y3, 4, 5 & 6) are welcome to a service at 2.00 pm**, and everyone is invited to the auctions that will be held at the end of each service. Donations of harvest goods would be very much appreciated. Perishable items will be auctioned and the money raised will also go to Foodbank. Non-perishable items will be given to the Food Bank for distribution to families in need in the Truro area. The Food Bank is particularly in need of:

**Milk (UHT or powdered)**

**Sugar**

**Long life fruit juice**

**Tins of soup**

**Sponge pudding (tin)**

**Tinned tomatoes**

**Tinned rice pudding**

**Tins of fruit**

**Packets of biscuits**

**Soap**

**Toothpaste**

**Toilet paper**

**Tinned Fish**

**Pasta Sauce**

**Coffee**

### Dates for Your Diary

#### September

Mon 18	9.10 am Parent/Pupil workshop Y3
Tues 19	9.10 am Parent/Pupil workshop Y4
Tues 19	2.00 pm Parental viewings for Sep 18 intake
Tues 19	PM Year Hit the Surf Year 6
Wed 20	9.10 am Parent/Pupil workshop Y5
Thur 21	9.10 am Parent/Pupil workshop Y1
Fri 22	9.10 am Parent/Pupil workshop Y6
Mon 25	9.10 am Parent/Pupil workshop Y2
Mon 25	2.45 pm Foundation class Read Write Inc session for parents
Tues 26	8.00 AM Resources & Safeguarding Committee Meeting
Tues 26	2.00 PM T & L Committee Meeting
Fri 29	RAF Cadet Taster experience at Penair School for Year 6
Fri 29	10.00 AM Parental viewings for Sep 18 intake
Fri 29	Trelissick Apple weekend

## October

Mon 2	2.00 pm Parental viewings for Sep 18 intake
Fri 6	Harvest 9.15 KSI, 2.00 pm KS2 (parents welcome)
Mon 9	Years R, 1, 2, 3 & 4 Nasal Spray Flu Vaccinations
Tues 10	1.30 pm Year 1 hearing screening
Wed 11	8.30 am Individual and family photos
Wed 11	6.30 pm full Governing Body meeting
Fri 13	1.00 PM choir taking part in 24 hour sing at Truro Methodist church
Mon 16	3.30 pm Year 5 & 6 parent transition meeting with Mr Davidson from Penair School
Wed 18	1.30 pm Open Afternoon Years F – 6
Thur 19	2.00 pm Parental viewings for Sep 18 intake
Fri 20	Break up for half term
23-27 Oct	Half term
Mon 30	Back to school
Tues 31	Deadline for Y6 parents to apply for a secondary school place

## November

Tues 7	11.10 AM Parental viewings for Sep 18 intake
Tues 21	Resources & Safeguarding Committee Meeting 8.00 AM
Tues 21	T & L Committee Meeting 2.00 pm
Wed 22	2.00 PM Parental viewings for Sep 18 intake
w/c 27 Nov	Parent Teacher Consultations – all year groups
Thurs 30	9.10 AM Christmas tree decoration assembly followed by Open Morning for all year groups

## December

Fri 1	3.00-5.00 pm KSF Christmas Fayre
Tues 5	9.30 AM Parental viewings for Sep 18 intake
Wed 6	Christmas dinner
Wed 6	Full Governors meeting 6.30 pm
Thurs 7	Infant nativity 2.30 pm
Fri 8	Infant nativity 9.30 am & 2.30 pm
Tues 12	Last swimming session
Tues 12	2.00 PM Parental viewings for Sep 18 intake
Wed 13	AM KS2 practice in the church
Wed 13	Junior nativity in church 6.00 pm
Wed 13	KS1 Christmas party
Thur 14	Y3/4 Christmas party
Fri 15	Y5/6 Christmas party
Wed 20	Break up for Christmas

## January

Thur 4	INSET Day
Fri 5	INSET Day
Mon 8	Spring term commences
Tues 9	Year 3 & 4 swimming

## Cornwall Council

### 2017/18 school term dates for community and voluntary-controlled schools

September 2017				
Mon	4	11	18	25
Tue	5	12	19	26
Wed	6	13	20	27
Thurs	7	14	21	28
Fri	8	15	22	29
Sat	9	16	23	30
Sun	10	17	24	

December 2017				
Mon	4	11	18	25
Tue	5	12	19	26
Wed	6	13	20	27
Thurs	7	14	21	28
Fri	8	15	22	29
Sat	9	16	23	30
Sun	10	17	24	31

March 2018				
Mon	5	12	19	26
Tue	6	13	20	27
Wed	7	14	21	28
Thurs	1	8	15	22
Fri	2	9	16	23
Sat	3	10	17	24
Sun	4	11	18	25

June 2018				
Mon	4	11	18	25
Tue	5	12	19	26
Wed	6	13	20	27
Thurs	7	14	21	28
Fri	1	8	15	22
Sat	2	9	16	23
Sun	3	10	17	24

October 2017				
Mon	2	9	16	23
Tue	3	10	17	24
Wed	4	11	18	25
Thurs	5	12	19	26
Fri	6	13	20	27
Sat	7	14	21	28
Sun	8	15	22	29

January 2018				
Mon	1	8	15	22
Tue	2	9	16	23
Wed	3	10	17	24
Thurs	4	11	18	25
Fri	5	12	19	26
Sat	6	13	20	27
Sun	7	14	21	28

April 2018				
Mon	2	9	16	23
Tue	3	10	17	24
Wed	4	11	18	25
Thurs	5	12	19	26
Fri	6	13	20	27
Sat	7	14	21	28
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July 2018				
Mon	2	9	16	23
Tue	3	10	17	24
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Thurs	5	12	19	26
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Sat	7	14	21	28
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February 2018				
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Fri	2	9	16	23
Sat	3	10	17	24
Sun	4	11	18	25

May 2018				
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Wed	2	9	16	23
Thurs	3	10	17	24
Fri	4	11	18	25
Sat	5	12	19	26
Sun	6	13	20	27

August 2018				
Mon	6	13	20	27
Tue	7	14	21	28
Wed	1	8	15	22
Thurs	2	9	16	23
Fri	3	10	17	24
Sat	4	11	18	25
Sun	5	12	19	26

#### School holidays

#### Bank holidays

Christmas Day	25 December 2017
Boxing Day	26 December 2017
New Year's Day	1 January 2018
Good Friday	30 March 2018
Early Monday	2 April 2018
Easter Day Holiday	7 May 2018
Spring Bank Holiday	28 May 2018
Summer Bank Holiday	27 September 2018

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(Half term 23 - 27 October)

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**Notice** Kea School distributes fliers and magazines offering family services or posts details of local activities on the newsletter. Whilst we think that parents might like the information and find it useful, the school does not necessarily endorse these services.