



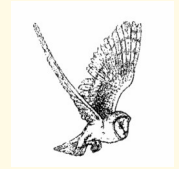
# Garras School Newsletter

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## Attendance last week (8.12.23-14.12.23)

(Whole School Target—97%)

Barn Owls – 98.9%

Hawk Owls-98.8%

Eagle Owls– 96.4%

Year to date (whole school)—96.44%



15th December 2023

**The staff and pupils  
of Garras School  
wish you all a very  
happy Christmas  
and a peaceful and  
prosperous 2024!!**

*Merry  
Christmas*

## Santa's Fly By!!

Every year, we are lucky to have a visit from Father Christmas.

This year was very special; Santa (obviously!) has friends at RNAS Culdrose and they flew him over the school in one of their helicopters so the children could give him a special wave!! At the same time his elves were sneaking into the school to leave gifts for all the children.



We have shared photos and videos on Google Classroom for you.

## Christmas Jumper day

A reminder about Christmas Jumper Day 2 on Monday 18th December (party afternoons).

Thanks to everyone who has made their donation already. If you haven't, you can pay on Monday. Remember, there is no need to pay on both days.

We look forward to seeing more of your favourite Christmas winter woollies!!!

Thank you!!



## The 'Virtues Project'

The 'Virtues Project' helps us all to develop good character qualities such as kindness, honesty and creativity in our children. Every two weeks we will focus on a virtue which is introduced at the start of the two weeks at Monday's assembly. This time we have been focussing on "Courage".

During this time, everyone will look to identify pupils in each class who are demonstrating this virtue.

The children who have been identified this time are:

Barn Owls – Mabel

Hawk Owls – William

Eagle Owls – Maud

[www.virtuesineducation.com](http://www.virtuesineducation.com)

DIARY DATES	
Fri 15 Dec	GAMES Club 3.15-4.15pm
Mon 18 Dec	Christmas Parties (pm)
Mon 18 Dec	Christmas Jumper Day TWO
Mon 18 Dec	NO 'DRAW IT' Club
Tue 19 Dec	Christingle 2pm @ Mawgan Church
Tue 19 Dec	NO SPORTS Club
Tue 19 Dec	Last Day of Term
<b>Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!</b>	
Thu 4 Jan 24	Children return to school
wb Mon 8 Jan	Clubs resume this week (inc. Sports Club)
Tue 9 Jan	Forest School dates to be confirmed



**Coast**  
ACTIVITY PROGRAMME

**HOLIDAY PROGRAMME**

**Ofsted**  
Registered  
See website for details

**TIME MOVE**  
Holiday Programme

**This Christmas Holiday**  
Hayle Academy – 3rd January  
St Ives Leisure Centre – 20th – 21st December  
Helston Community College – 20th – 22nd December  
£18 for Non Free School Meal places  
**FREE** Free Half Day Places for FSM Children

**ACTIVITIES**  
Swimming  
Dodgeball  
Tennis  
Football  
Cricknet  
Rugby  
and so much more

**AGES 5-16**

**SCAN TO BOOK** 07939863010

[www.coastactivityprogramme.com](http://www.coastactivityprogramme.com)  
info@coastactivityprogramme.com

### PARKING OUTSIDE SCHOOL

We had a call from one of the school's elderly neighbours. Apparently, a morning oil delivery was booked and they called later to say that they had not made the delivery as the road was blocked with cars and they could not park. This neighbour had run out of oil and needed this delivery urgently.

We wanted to make all parents (including those attending Owlets) aware of the very real problems that can arise from inconsiderate parking outside the school, particularly at morning drop off.

We will be contacting our local PCSO and Highways to follow up on this. Thank you for your co-operation.



**Free Family Fun** Can YOU crack the Christmas code?

**NATIVITY ESCAPE ROOM**

**St Mawgan Parish Church**

**BOOKING ESSENTIAL**

slots available from 10am

For further details and to book your group timeslot  
email [kerrierdeaneryoffice@gmail.com](mailto:kerrierdeaneryoffice@gmail.com)

**Friday 22nd Dec**

Festive Refreshments will be served!  
Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult

### Parent Pay

Thank you to all our parents for supporting our online payment systems for school lunches, breakfast club and trips.

As the end of term is fast approaching, can you please check your Parent Pay account and settle any payments still outstanding? Thank you.

If you have any problems, questions or queries, please let Mrs Nicholas know as soon as possible.



**Christmas Adventure Club**

December 20th, 21st & 22nd 2023  
Cornish Camels, Rosuik Farm, St Martin, Helston, TR12 6DZ

**10:00 - 14:30**  
Stream play, Tree climbing, Hammocks, Festive crafts, Hot lunch  
(Activities subject to weather and group needs and interest)

£25. Funded places for children eligible for Income Related Free School Meals

Email: [hello@beyondthewave.org.uk](mailto:hello@beyondthewave.org.uk)  
Facebook: Beyond The Wave CIC

active CORNWALL BEYOND THE WAVE ROSUICK FARM Department for Education TIME MOVE Holiday Programme

Thanks to everyone who helped with our Christmas lunch on Tuesday. Tara and Annette served the food, and the lovely ladies of FROGS set up and waited on the tables.

Staff were particularly grateful as they were told not to lift a finger, and were able to sit with the children and enjoy their lunch. What a treat that was!

Thanks so much!!

