



Garras School Newsletter

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8th September 2023

Attendance (14.7.23-20.7.23)

(Whole School Target—97%)

Barn Owls—96.8%

Hawk Owls—96.3%

Eagle Owls—96%

Year to date (whole school)—96.1%

Dear Parents and Visitors

My name is Mrs Linda May, and I am thrilled to be the Executive Headteacher of this school. I am responsible for 5 closely located schools in the Helston area; all with a unique identity and yet shared desire to offer our children the best possible start to their educational journey.

I am ably supported by an experienced Senior Teacher who is our Head of School, and a dedicated and talented staff that have the same high expectations as you do for your child. We believe in a close working relationship between teachers and parents is essential to success and we look forward to welcoming you to our many special events.

I firmly believe that every child deserves to have a happy and fulfilling primary education. I also know that children learn best through an interesting and engaging curriculum. Together, we will strive to make learning enjoyable, varied and challenging so that all children achieve well and are motivated to do their very best.

I look forward to our paths crossing and sharing some of the special moments in the life of our school.

Please browse our website for more information.

With all good wishes,

Mrs L May

CELEBRATING OUR CHILDREN'S SUCCESS

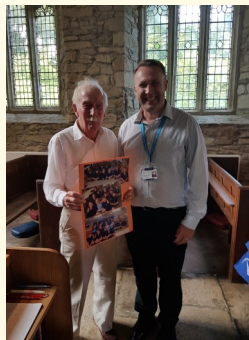


Freddie qualified with his RYA Level 4 sailing certificate this summer! What a fantastic achievement Fred, well done!

We said goodbye to one of our school governors at the end of last term.

Michael is a great friend of the school and was coaxed out of retirement to support the governing board when our federation with Sithney School ended in 2019.

Thank you, Michael, for all your support, and your friendship!



The remaining INSET days for this year are;

INSET 2023-24

- Fri 6 Oct 23
- Mon 19 Feb 24
- Wed 8 May 24 (Flora Day)
- Mon 17 Jun 24
- Wed 24 Jul 24

Bank Holidays

- Mon 6 May 2024

FOREST SCHOOL DATES

The dates for the autumn term are as follows:

- KS1&2 (09:00 - 15:00)
- Tue 19 Sept **Y2 Tehidy**
- Tue 03 Oct **Y4 Loe Pool**
- Tue 17 Oct **Y3 Idless**
- Tue 14 Nov **Y5 Crenver Grove**
- Tue 28 Nov **Y6**

- Barn Owls (09:00-12:00)
- Tue 12 Sept
- Tue 26 Sept
- Tue 10 Oct
- Tue 31 Oct
- Tue 21 Nov
- Tue 05 Dec
- Tue 12 Dec

*Please note that these may be subject to change during poor weather and staff shortages, but we will keep you informed of any changes.

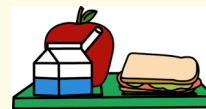
DIARY DATES	
Mon 11 Sep	Y1 Hearing screening 10am
Mon 11 Sep	Eagle Owls-Swallows Gym 1-3pm (every Mon for 10 weeks)
Mon 11 Sep	'DRAW IT' Club 3.15-4.15pm
Tue 12 Sep	Barn Owls Forest School 9am-12
Tue 12 Sep	SPORTS Club 3.15-4.15pm (free taster session)
Wed 13 Sep	Y6 SATS Club 3.15-4.15pm
Thu 14 Sep	Hawk Owls-Swallows Gym 1-2pm (every Thu for 10 weeks)
Thu 14 Sep	Barn Owls-Swallows Gym 2-3pm (every Thu for 10 weeks)
Thu 14 Sep	FILM Club 3.15-4.15pm
Fri 15 Sep	GAMES Club 3.15-4.15pm
Mon 18 Sep	Eagle Owls-Swallows Gym 1-3pm
Mon 18 Sep	DRAW IT' Club 3.15-4.15pm
Tue 19 Sep	Y2 Forest School all day
Tue 19 Sep	Cross Country KS2 @ Porthleven TBC (4.15pm-5.15)
Tue 26 Sep	Barn Owls Forest School 9am-12
Mon 2 Oct	Individual photos
Wed 3 Oct	Hawk Owls - trip to St Michael's Mount
Wed 3 Oct	Year 4 Forest School all day (parent drivers please)
Fri 6 Oct	INSET DAY - school closed to pupils
More dates on the school website...	

School Meals price rise amendment

Please be aware that school meals will now cost **£2.65** (not £2.66 as previously stated) for KS2 children.

KS1 children will still be eligible for universal free school meals.

If you have any questions, please get in touch.



Lunch Reminder

Just a reminder for year 3 parents—your child no longer qualifies for universal infant free school meals and school lunches will cost £2.65. Please see Mrs Nicholas if you have any questions.

After School Clubs (Week beginning Monday 11th September 2023)

As you are aware, we have been looking at our afterschool provision, and are still hopeful of providing the type of wraparound care that our families need. In the meantime, Mr Sturges has arranged the following clubs for September. Please bear in mind, though, that most of these clubs are provided on a voluntary basis by school staff and are subject to change at short notice.

Mon—'Draw It!' Club 3.15-4.15pm – Mrs Woodhead

Tues—SPORTS Club 3.15-4.15pm- with 'SupaSport SouthWest'. All children will be able to attend the Sports Club. The first session on the 12th Sept will be free of charge, as a 'taster', the subsequent sessions will be charged at £2 per child, per session.

Wed— Y6 SATS Club 3.15-4.15pm – Mrs Rayner

Thu—FILM Club 3.15-4.15pm – Miss Bird

Fri—GAMES Club 3.15-4.15pm – Mr Sturges. Games club will be open to all ages. Children will bring their own board games or card games to share with friends. Bring your games on Friday morning and leave with Mrs Nicholas in the office for safe keeping.

A reminder to all parents please:

If your child has **any** vomiting and/or diarrhoea, with or without illness, it is important that they stay away from school for 48hrs following the last episode. This helps to reduce the risk of any illness spreading to other children and adults.

If you are unsure, or have any questions, please contact the school for advice.