



Germoe School Newsletter

16th December 2022

INFORMATION

Dear parents/carers

All of the staff would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all of your support this year. If you need any help or support over the holiday period then please do not hesitate to contact me on head@fbgschools.co.uk. We have many useful resources on our school website under "Parent Info" which may help you to support your child over the holiday period as we know it can be overwhelming for some families. Please take a look, for example, we have information on online safety, supporting your child with PDA (Pathological Demand Avoidance), supporting your child's mental health, supporting your child with autism and more. We have built up a lovely routine of listening to or reading to your child every day in school, we would really appreciate if you could continue this over the holidays, enjoyment of reading and therefore reading progress has really improved as a result. We hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and wish you a peaceful and prosperous New Year.

Paula Blackburn

School Closures in Emergency – Agreed Notification Procedure

Please see the attached guidance from Cornwall Council. Sometimes schools have to make the decision to close either partially or fully due to inclement weather such as snow or other unforeseen circumstances. The procedures are revised annually. The agreed notification Procedure for our school is:

1. We will inform Cornwall Council so they can update their website
2. We will inform local radio stations (BBC Radio Cornwall, Goldmine FM, Heart FM, Pirate FM) so they can make announcements and update their websites
3. We will post on our Facebook pages, "The Federation of Boskenwyn and Germoe School," "Boskenwyn FOBS" and "Germoe FROGS"

If you wake up to a blanket of snow in the near future then please make sure you check one or more of the above places to keep up to date with school closures, it may be that we open later or close earlier so you will need to check before coming to school. If the school needs to close whilst the children are there then we will contact all parents via phone.

REMINDERS

Return to school 3rd
January.

KS2: 8:45

KS1: 9:00

EVENTS

Dates for new academic year 2022/2023

Tuesday 3rd January
Return to school

Tuesday 10th January
KS2 Swimming

Parent governor meetings:
12.01.23 – 9.00am
03.03.23 – 2.00pm
24.04.23 – 9.00am
22.06.23 – 2.00pm

INSET days
5–10 June 2023



Perranuthnoe Class – The whole class for a wonderful Nativity performance

Hendra Class – The whole class for an excellent year and wonderful Christmas play

Godrevy Class – Charlie- for stepping out of your comfort zone, trying new things and acting with confidence!

INFORMATION

SCHOOL DINNERS – 1st day back school dinners will be pizza. We will then follow the week 1 menu for the rest of the week.

The FROGS Crew would like to say a massive thank you to all for supporting our amazing children by raising £531.13 with the Christmas Fair, Raffle and Refreshments and a further £60 from the Bag2School collection! It's through your generosity, delicious baking, helpful hands and kindness that we can continue to support all of our children with additional enriching experiences and opportunities as they grow and develop together. Thanks again to you all and to all of our diligent and caring staff at Germoe. Merry Christmas and wishing all health and happiness in the year to come! Xxx

Late arrival – if a child/ren arrives late to school please can the adult that dropped off come to the office to sign them in. Thank you

Swiss Students

This year, we will be hosting our Swiss students from 25th June to 8th July 2023. Host families receive £300 per student. For that, you will need to provide accommodation, all their meals, bring them to school and pick them up each day. (We don't mind sending more than one student to the same family, and they can share a bedroom). The students are all CRB checked and they can provide proof of this. The students will be aged around 17-18 years old.

If you are interested, please email Mrs Care, deadline is 16th December

Germoe Church There will be a Crib Service in church at 3pm on Christmas Eve to which everyone, especially children are invited and a Carol Service 6pm on Christmas Eve

Cost of living payment for families eligible for benefits -related free school meals

The emails have gone out today, you will receive one email per child with a code, it is important to retain each individual code.

You can take the code/s to a Post Office and exchange them for a cash payment of £80 per child (no ID is required). The codes will expire on 01 March 2023. They cannot be replaced or re-issued if lost or expired so families should treat the codes like they would cash.

If you feel you may be eligible for benefits-related free school meals then please do apply, even if your child is in reception, year 1 or year 2 as you may be entitled to subsidies and cash payments like these in the future.

Twitter and Instagram

The Federation of Germoe and Boskenwyn Schools are on twitter and Instagram!

Twitter: @BoskenwynGermoe

Instagram: boskenwyngermoe

Feel free to follow us and spread the word to encourage others to hear about the wonderful things happening in our schools.

St Germoe PCC recognises the likely problems that people will face over the winter months and in an effort to provide help and support has decided that the Church Hall will be open to anyone between the hours of 9am until 4pm Monday to Friday starting in November. Packet and tinned foods will be available and also the option for people to cook their own food. The Hall will be heated and it is hoped that full use will be made of the facilities.

In addition Wi-Fi has now been installed in the Church and can be accessed free of charge by anyone, the details are on the notice board inside the Church and to the left of the door.