



Germoe Community Primary School Newsletter for Week Commencing 16th October 2017



| DATE | BREAKFAST CLUB WILL BE ON EVERY MORNING |
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| Mon | Multi-Skills Club – Miss Symons |
| Tues | Crosscountry Race – Mrs Care - Drum lessons |
| Wed | Music Club – Mr Williams |
| Thurs | Zumba Club– Mrs Jones Gardening Club – Mr & Mrs Lester |
| Fri | Film Club Guitar lessons |

FROGS NEWS

HALLOWEEN PARTY FRIDAY 20TH OCTOBER 3:30PM -5:30PM

We would really appreciate any parents/carers who would be willing to help and also any donations of cake/buns. Tickets are now on sale in the office £1 each and includes a cake, drink and party bag and the children can come to school dressed in their outfits if they want to. There will also be a pumpkin carving competition so the children will need to bring their creations in on the day of the party. Tickets are selling fast !!

BARN DANCE

This will no longer be taking place but hopefully it will next year

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Saturday 16th December at school. Santa's Grotto, stalls, refreshments and lots more. Any volunteer helpers or cake/bun makers will be gratefully received.

OTHER INFORMATION/ADVANCE NOTICES

RECEPTION CHILDRENS PHOTO IS IN THIS WEEKS HELSTON PACKET

FOOTBALL We have some very keen footballers and are hoping to get a team together in order to enter some interschool competitions. If anyone is able to volunteer some time to run an afterschool football club please email ljones@germoe.cornwall.sch.uk or pop in to the office to speak to Mrs Care.

SWIMMING Class 2 and 3 will recommence Swimming in the Spring term which is currently scheduled for Wednesday mornings. We are currently on the lookout for some volunteer parents to assist with the transportation of children to and from the pool. If you are interested and can commit to volunteering a few hours on a Wednesday morning could you please see Mrs Care in the office.

FACEBOOK PAGE – We have created a public Facebook page called Germoe Community Primary School. This is a public page that everybody can see. The aim is to promote the school and give some essential information about us and what we do. We have also created a closed group called **Germoe School and FROGS**. This is a group where only the members can see what it is posted or post something on it. With this page we would like to improve communication amongst parents, sharing information about school events, trips, etc. and give FROGS the opportunity to give out all the relevant information about their amazing work and activities. To join this group, just search on Facebook for the group and ask to join it!

SHOE BOX APPEAL - Germoe Church is holding its usual annual Family & Elderly Shoe Box Appeal and once again has invited School to take part if we wish. Any filled shoe boxes, or contributions for boxes should be brought to School before **FRIDAY 20TH OCTOBER** so that the ladies at Germoe Church can send these off for shipping to Romania, Moldova, Ukraine and Bulgaria during the week commencing 23rd October. Germoe Church is always grateful for the help and support received from School. Items can include: pens, pencils, candles, soft toys, colouring books etc. **NO FOOD, NO MEDICINES, NO BOOKS OR ANY OUT OF DATE ITEMS. Thank you.**

PARENT/GOVERNOR MEETING

Minutes are now on the Website.

- We are going to have a parent volunteer work afternoon on Thursday 9th November.
- Operation Encompass – details on attached leaflet
- Landscaping/fitting patio doors - we are looking for anyone with particular skills in landscaping/fitting patio doors – please contact the office
- Volunteer minibus drivers – If you are interested in becoming a volunteer minibus driver for school and also have D1 on your driving licence please can you contact the office for more details. School will pay for you to do the assessment with Cornwall Council.

OLD £1.00 COINS We won't be able to accept any old £1.00 coin **from 15th October 2017** as they will no longer be legal tender.

SCHOOL PACKED LUNCHES As of **30th OCTOBER 2017** Chartwells will no longer be offering packed lunches as an option each day, except for school trips.

LOST PROPERTY We have a pair of NEXT boy jeans size 9/10 that went missing during School camp at BF adventures. We also have an adult size light blue sleeping bag that is missing (it has been packed in a plastic bag with some grapes on it). Please check at home if you have any of the above! Many thanks for your continued support.

TIMEKEEPING Can you please make sure your child arrives to school on time, as you can imagine it can be quite disruptive entering the classroom when the session has already started. If the door has been closed you will need to go to the office to sign your child in and select their lunch choice. Mrs Care will then take them to the classroom

WEAR IT WILD DAY MONDAY 16TH OCTOBER.

On this day the children can come to school dressed as any wild animal along with a donation of £1 to WWF.

WHY WEAR IT WILD?

The world's **wildlife populations have declined by 52%** since 1970. In the last century, over 95% of the world's wild tiger populations have vanished and around 90% of African elephants have been wiped out mainly due to the ivory trade. This is alarming. It's **time to act together now** to stop the decline of our wildlife. so once again it's time to put your best paw forward and get involved with something **turtle** amazing! **Wear it Wild** is back and we want you to put on your best wildlife-inspired fancy dress and raise money to support vital conservation work. Whether you create the most so**fish**ticated costume or the **bear** minimum animal ears, we want to see tiger stripes in the classroom, rampaging rhinos in the office and leopard spots in your living rooms. Wild things are happening and you can be part of the **pandamonium**!

FREE SCHOOL MEALS/PUPIL PREMIUM

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE could you check to see whether your child is entitled to free school meals using the link <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals> or you can get a form from the office to complete and Mrs Care will send it off for you. You may be surprised! **EVEN** IF your child is in **RECEPTION, YEAR 1, YEAR 2** and receives universal infant free school meals, please still register them for free school meals as this will bring more funding into school for your child in the form of "**Pupil Premium**." This could benefit you in many ways such as subsidised school trips. Also if your child receives Free School Meals they are also entitled to free milk (please see the office for a form). **PLEASE CHECK!** If you need any help checking or filling in the forms just ask Mrs Care.

EARLY YEARS FUNDING

To find out if you are eligible, please look at Childcare Choices: website <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>

STARS OF THE WEEK

PORTHCURNO CLASS – Sullivan for trying hard all week

SENNEN CLASS – Daisy McGuiness for her effort and achievement in all her subjects this week.

GODREVY CLASS – Eve – for a fantastic newspaper report

Diary Dates

October

Monday 16th

Tuesday 17th

Friday 20th

Monday 30th

Tuesday 31st

November

Thursday 9th

Wednesday 29th

December

Friday 8th

Wear it Wild day

Crosscountry race @ Porthleven 4pm – Year 3-6

Halloween Disco

BREAK UP – HALF TERM

BACK TO SCHOOL

Crosscountry race @ Mullion 4pm – Year 3-6

Parent/volunteer work afternoon

Governor meeting @ Boskenwyn 6pm

Parent/Governor meeting @ Germoe 1pm