



Dear Parents and Carers,

Home-School Communication

Open and transparent communication is key to creating a thriving educational environment where our children can reach their full potential. Effective communication between home and school was highlighted in the last inspection report as an area to develop and I would like to take this opportunity to share how we have begun to address this.

- **Regular Updates:** We are committed to keeping you informed about important school events, curriculum updates, and any changes in school policies. You can expect regular updates through emails, texts, newsletters, Class Dojo and our school website. Please ensure that your contact information with the school office is up to date.
- **Parent-Teacher Meetings:** We believe that parent-teacher meetings are crucial for keeping up to date with your child's progress. We will hold face to face meetings in Autumn and Summer term for Years 1-6, Autumn and Spring term for Reception, and we encourage you to attend and actively participate in discussing your child's development. In the term without a parents meeting, you will receive a written school report. Dates for the Autumn term meetings to follow.
- **Curriculum Updates:** We will share information about your child's curriculum each half term and ways that you can support at home. We will run information meetings about key events throughout the year such as RWI Phonics, Maths Skills, Residentials...
- **Two-Way Communication:** We value your feedback and encourage you to reach out to us with any questions, concerns, or suggestions you may have. You can contact us through email, phone, or by scheduling appointments with school staff.
- **Parental Involvement:** We encourage parents to get involved in school activities and events. Friends of School are a such a support to the school and are always on the lookout for new members.
- **Feedback Surveys:** Periodically, we will send out surveys to gather your input on various aspects of our school. Your feedback is invaluable in helping us improve our educational programs and services.



- **School Website and Social Media:** Our new school website and social media channels are up and running and will serve as valuable sources of information and updates. Be sure to check them regularly for news, announcements, and resources. Please download the FREE eSchoolsLite app for easy access to the school website, school calendar, notifications and newsletters.





We believe that when we work together as a team – parents, teachers, and children – we create the best environment for our children's success. Your active involvement and open communication are vital components of this partnership. If you have any immediate questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Have a great weekend everyone,

Kind Regards,

Emma Williams
Headteacher

Whole School Attendance this week 96.4%

For all CELT schools the attendance threshold is set at 96% in line with national attendance data.

Seals	Puffins	Dolphins
94.5%	95.8%	98.6%

Celebration Assembly

Congratulations this week to...

Seal Class	Darcey Amber Sadie
Puffin Class	Daisy
Dolphin Class	Taylor Willow

TTRS Battle of the Bands



Congratulations to Dolphin Class who won last week's Battle of the Bands in Times Tables Rockstars.

Dolphin MVP (Most Valuable Players) were Tyler, Eva & Dmytro

Puffin MVP's were Summer Daisy & Lizzy

This week's battle is between Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 as individual year groups.



Free School Meals

Pre-school children aged 2, 3 and 4 (not yet in a reception class)

Your child will be eligible for free school meals if they meet the [eligibility criteria](#) (see below) and attend our Nippers class:

To be eligible for a free school meal, your child will need to be attending sessions **before and after lunch** on that day.

Children in Reception, Year 1 and 2

All Key Stage 1 (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) pupils are entitled to receive a free school meal. This is part of the Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM) initiative and regardless of what benefits are being claimed.

However, some children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 may also have an entitlement to benefits-related Free School Meals. Children in this group are also eligible for Pupil Premium – additional funding paid to the school to support your child in their learning. **It is important to apply for benefits-related Free School Meals if you think your child may be eligible.** This is so that your child's school can receive this funding.

Your child will be eligible for benefits-related Free School Meals if you meet the [eligibility criteria](#).

Children in Year 3 and above

Your child may be eligible for benefits-related free school meals if you, or the child themselves, meet the [eligibility criteria](#).

If eligible for Free School Meals, your child will also be eligible for pupil premium. This is additional funding paid to the school to support your child in their learning.

Free school meals eligibility criteria if you receive benefits

A child is eligible for free school meals if their parent/carer (or the child themselves) receives any of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods).
- Income Support (IS)
- Job Seekers' Allowance (Income-Based) and equal based Job Seekers Allowance
- Income Related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA-IR) and equal based Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (CTC) with an annual income of less than £16,190
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Guarantee Element of Pension Credit (GPC)
- Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 (IAA) Supports

If you are claiming the benefits listed below you are **not** eligible for free school meals. This is regardless of what other benefits/credits are being claimed.

- Working Tax Credit
- Contribution-Based Job Seeker's Allowance and/or Contribution-Based Employment and Support Allowance



There are different [eligibility criteria for families who are not entitled to benefits](#) (NRPF - No Recourse to Public Funds)

Apply for Free School Meals

You can apply for Free School Meals and Pupil Premium online by clicking the link below.

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schools-and-education/schools-and-colleges/school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals-and-pupil-premium/>

Wraparound care

We have sent out a survey regarding wraparound care: breakfast club and after school club. Please respond using the link below.

<https://forms.office.com/e/UrntcPsamD>

After School Clubs

After school clubs will begin on Monday 2nd October. You will be able to book and pay via the ParentPay website after Monday 25th September.

DAY	CLUB	RUN BY	COST
Monday	Performance	Miss Oxenbury	None
	Choir	Miss Martin	
Tuesday	Art	Mrs Dimmock	None
	Football	PAFC	£5.00 until 5 th Dec

All clubs will end the week beginning 4th December.

Friends of the School

Bag2School - start saving your clothing, shoes, textiles etc ready for collection on **Wednesday 29th November** (just in time for a pre-Christmas clear out!).

We accept the following 'good quality' items for RE-USE*:

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Household curtains
- Household towels

- Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

* We reserve the right to refuse any unsuitable items

We **DO NOT** accept:

- Duvets and blankets
- Pillows and cushions
- Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
- Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
- School uniforms with and without logo
- Corporate clothing and workwear



- Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material

What's On?

We will add important dates to the newsletter and school calendar when the new website has been updated.

Thursday 28 th September	Open the Book Assembly
Friday 29 th September	FOS Bacon Bap Breakfast. 8:00-9:00 am. Don't forget to order yours!
Monday 2 nd – Thursday 5 th October	Scholastic Book Fair, in the hall from 3:15 – 4:45 each day.
Tuesday 10 th October	#Helloyellow Charity Mental Health Day Dress in Yellow
	FOS meeting, in school, everyone welcome.
Wednesday 11 th October	Nasal Flu immunisations Reception to Year 6- details to follow.
Monday 16 th -Friday 27 th October	2 Week October Half Term
Tuesday 31 st October	FOS Halloween Disco
Friday 10 th November	FOS non-uniform day. Bring an item for the Tombola or Toiletries for the raffle
Friday 17 th November	FOS non-uniform day. Bring a bottle of something or box of chocolates, biscuits for the raffle.
Thursday 23 rd November	Y1 Hearing Screening- details to follow
Friday 24 th November	Individual & Family School Photographs
Friday 1 st December	FOS non-uniform day. Bring an item for the Christmas Hamper. (list to be posted nearer the date)
	FOS Christmas Quiz sheets will be available from School, the Co-op or The Peapod
Thursday 14 th December	FOS Secret Santa – details to follow
Friday 15 th December	Last Day of Autumn Term
16 th - 7 th January	Christmas Holiday
Monday 8 th January	First Day of Spring Term