



Welcome

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our new families and children this year. We hope that you will participate in as much of our school life as your busy lives permit. Nancledra is an open school and we welcome ideas and suggestions.

Our school is thriving this year with 108 pupils on role and lots of new faces bringing new energy to our classrooms. We are thrilled to be working in partnership with excellent provision now available at Nancledra Pre-school. In addition to the extended all day child care they are also running a breakfast and after-school club available to our children.

We would like to thank you for adapting to the new car park arrangements. We are confident that the one-way system will make life easier for everyone.

During the autumn term I will continue to carry out responsibilities for TPAT which involve supporting a number of schools in the Penwith area. Significantly, this term I will be fulfilling a role as executive Head teacher at St Erth School, which will involve some time every week working with their staff and governors. As always when I am not in school it will be ably led and managed by the leadership team of Mrs Ashby and Miss Williams.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - PLEASE READ

At present there is an issue with the SIMS database used in some schools, including ours. We would like to re-assure parents that there are no issues in terms of the confidentiality of the data held. Our IT support have contacted Capita (the organisation who write/manage the SIMS programme) with regards to the problem and are awaiting further guidance from them on how the situation can be rectified.

This problem has impacted on our ability to fully use parent pay for our school dinners. We are at present unable to update parent pay - we are not able to add any new pupils to parents pay (thus no new pupils can order a meal using parent pay), update who is entitled to free school meals, apply the new dinner charges (it is now £2.02 per meal) for KS2 children and there may be issues for the parents of children who have moved from year 2 to year 3 in terms of paying for meals.

We ask that parents of our reception children continue order their meal in class as they have done this week.

We are sorry for any inconvenience and confusion this may cause and hope that the issue can be resolved in the very near future.

Change of Contact Details - please let the office know if any of your contact details have changed over the summer, e.g. new phone numbers, change of address, change to people who are your emergency contacts or medical information. It is very important that we have up to date details in case of an emergency. Please put any changes in writing.

STAFF TRAINING DAY - School will be closed for staff training on **Monday 29 October 2018.**

Healthy Schools Week

We will be having our annual 'Healthy Schools Week' from **Monday 17 September**. To date these are the activities planned:

Monday

- Indian dancing: there will be a show at the end of the school day for parents to attend (2.35pm)
- Hobby Horse competition: all children are welcome to take part in this fun event but children will need to bring their own hobby horse. If you don't have one have a look on YouTube for details on how to make a 'sock hobby horse'.

Tuesday

- Skipping workshops: there will be a show at the end of the school day for parents to attend (2.30pm), there will be skipping ropes available to buy at the end of the day.

Wednesday

- Capoeira (Afro-Brazilian martial art that combines elements of dance, acrobatics and music)
- Fencing
- pm Swimming (years 2, 3 and 4) at St Ives Leisure Centre

Thursday

- Circus skills: anyone wishing to bring juggling balls or diablos etc., are welcome for playtime

Friday

- First Aid for children in years 3-6

All children will be expected to come to school already dressed in their PE kit Monday to Thursday (this will save time changing every day).

If you are able to help our in any way please see Miss Slater in class 2 (Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday).

School Minibus Service

We would like to remind all parents that the school operates a daily minibus service to St Ives via Lelant after school. The bus leaves school at approx. 3.20pm. The time it arrives at each drop off point will vary slightly depending upon how many children are on the bus each day, where the children need to go and the local traffic conditions.

The minibus drop-off points are: the Park and Ride in Lelant, car park behind St Anta Church (Porthrepta Rd, Carbis Bay), St Ives School/Barn Nursery, Hi Tide/St Ives Leisure Centre and Halsetown (in this order).

This service is available to any parents who would like their children to attend any of the after school clubs at these locations, but it is also available if you would just like to collect your child after school from these locations. The bus can be booked in advance or on the day for a fee of £2.00 per child per journey.

A booking form was sent home yesterday for anyone who would like to make a regular booking for their child - please note that places are already filling up fast.



Some Reminders :

Starting on time! The School day starts at 8.55am and as such all children should be in school by this time. We expect children to arrive at school between 8.40 and 8.55am. Please let us know if your child is going to be late for school. We ask that the parent of any child arriving late comes in to school with them and report to the office before going to their class in order that their they can be 'signed in' to school and their attendance can be recorded.

Absence from School

If your child is unwell or will not be attending school it is your responsibility to contact the school on the first day of absence no later than 9.30am. If we have not heard from you by this time we will need to telephone home to ascertain the nature of their absence. This is in line with the Government's policy on attendance. **It should also be noted that any child who is ill with sickness or an upset stomach should remain away from school for 48hrs after the last episode of illness.**

School Visitors To comply with the current Health and Safety regulations the school is required to keep a log of all visitors to the school. We ask that all visitors report to the office to sign in the 'visitors' book' and sign out when leaving the premises. This applies to external visitors as well as any parents who are in school helping with reading etc.

Helping out in School We encourage and welcome parents coming in to school to help out with various activities such as reading, swimming and school trips. Please speak to your child's teacher if you would like to volunteer. **Our safeguarding commitment requires all volunteers to complete a DBS check.** There is now a facility to complete the DBS application process online – please see Tracy in the office for details on how to complete an application.

School Meals

Jacket Potatoes are available on a daily basis. The choice of fillings are as follows:

Cheese and beans - Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Tuna - Tuesday and Thursday



Brass Lessons

Kirsten Barden will once again be taking brass lessons in school on Wednesday afternoons. Please contact the office if your child is interested in learning a brass instrument. Payment for the lessons are made direct with Kirsten.

Guitar Lessons

John Bruce will be back in school on Tuesday afternoons doing guitar lessons (first lessons will be on 18 September). If your child is in years 3-6 and is interested in learning how to play the guitar please see Tracy in the school office. Children will be required to provide their own guitar and be expected to practice at home on a regular basis. The lessons are held in small groups of 2 or 3 pupils with a cost of approx. £75 per term (10 lessons).

After School Clubs

The following after school clubs will start during the week commencing 10 September 2018.

Tuesday - Hi Five Wednesday - Football Friday - Hockey

Consent forms for these clubs have been given to children today.

Details about gardening and dance clubs will be provided at a later date.

Clubs and Activities w/c 10th September 2018

Monday	No activities
Tuesday	3.15-4.15pm Hi Five Club (years 3-6)
Wednesday	3.15-4.15pm Football Club (years 3-6)
Thursday	No activities
Friday	3.15-4.15pm Hockey Club (years 3-6)

Relevant consent forms MUST be completed BEFORE children attend any clubs as spaces are limited.



Tennis Success

Congratulations to Amelia who has had a very successful summer of tennis, playing and doing very well in a number of tournaments.

Amelia was selected to represent Cornwall for the 9u team and also became the girls 9U County champion for 2018.

Swimming Lessons



This term our Year 2, 3 and 4 children will be swimming on Wednesday afternoons. Lessons will start Wednesday 19 September for 6 weeks. We ask for a contribution of **£2.50 per child per week** to help cover the cost of transportation. Please ensure that your child's swimming kit is named.

School Newsletter

Forms were given out this week asking all parents to let us know how they would like to receive the weekly school newsletter this year (last year's list has been deleted). We would be grateful if all replies could be returned to the school office **by Wednesday 12 September.**

If we do not receive your completed form we will assume that you will view the newsletter on our website.

Spare copies can be found outside the school office.