

Dear Parents and Carers,

I'm sure you will agree with me that the Key Stage 1, Lower Key Stage 2 and Upper Key Stage 2 Sports Day afternoons were a huge success. As I walked around the field, I could feel the children's excitement and witnessed the team spirit of cheering each other on and celebrating together. We look forward to our Reception Sports Day next week.

We have had reports that our Year 5 children, who are camping at Porthpean are having an amazing time. Despite the challenging weather, they have been enjoying the climbing wall, a silent disco, beach activities, team building activities, caving and high ropes.

Children across the school have been busy making costumes and contributing parts for the small and large images for Mazey Day. Our large image is beginning to take shape and the children are enjoying seeing it progress in size and structure. More information about both the Alverton parade and the one on Mazey Day itself will come home next week.

I want to thank you for your continued support and wish you a lovely weekend.

Mrs Simpson
Acting Deputy Head



Staffing update

We are delighted to confirm that Mrs Wicks will be returning to her role as Deputy Headteacher for the new academic year. She will be working for 3 days per week from September. We will see her before that, however, as she will return to duties gradually in July.

Remember – safeguarding is everyone's responsibility

If you have a safeguarding concern, please contact Laura Simpson (Designated Safeguarding Lead) at lsimpson@alverton.tpacademytrust.org or, if it is out of school hours, please contact the Multi Agency Referral Unit on 0300 1231 116;

E-mail: multiagencyreferralunit@cornwall.gov.uk

Reception Sports Day

The postponed Sports Day for Reception children is on **Tuesday 18th June** starting at 1.30pm. Entrance will be through the side gate by the nursery onto the field. **The bottom field gate will remain locked until 3pm.**

Children should wear their PE kit to school on the day of their Sports Day as well as on their normal PPA day.

Frozen photos

All the photos taken of the Frozen show are now available to see in a folder in reception where you can order copies. Please complete a form and hand in with the correct amount in cash to the office **by Friday 28th June** at the latest. Prints cost £1 each.

THIS IS OUR

HELP YOUR SHELF

How it Works

It's all **free**.

Take what you need, whenever you need it.



No Questions Asked – No Judgements Made

Give what you can if you would like to.

Donations wanted

Our Help Your Shelf is looking rather bare. If you are able to bring in any non-perishable food items, cleaning products or toiletries, we would be very grateful. These will all go to helping our families and community. Thank you very much.

Wanted!

Please could Year 1 and 2 bring in a large cereal box (or cardboard of a similar size) next week ready for our Mazey making. Please could Owls class only also bring in a kitchen roll tube.

Your help is very much appreciated and you will see the fantastic results in a few weeks time. Thank you.

FOAS Summer Fair

Save the date - Friday 12th July from 3.15pm

Raffle prizes wanted!

FOAS would be very grateful for any good quality raffle prizes for the Summer Fair Raffle. Items such as wine and chocolates, gift vouchers for meals or days out, etc would be very gratefully received. Please no second hand gifts - good quality, new, suitable items only. Many thanks for your support.



Raffle tickets on sale soon

Raffle tickets will come home soon so please buy some if you can and sell them to friends and family. Fantastic prizes to be won!





Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

The Trust has its own Out of Hours telephone support provided by Support Matters Cornwall. This service operates from 5pm to 9am on weekdays and 24 hours a day at weekends and bank holidays. The service is open to all patients (aged 16+) under the care of the Trust's mental health services. Support can be delivered over the telephone, via text, email or web chat. Call free on **0800 001 4330**.



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0808 802 6666

ChildLine

0800 1111



0300 123 3393

www.mind.org.uk



for better mental health

Download this image onto your phone for **when you might need help**



Samaritans: 24h
Emotional support to anyone in distress, struggling to cope, or at risk of suicide.

116 123

Shout: 24h
Text service, free on all major networks, for anyone in crisis anytime, anywhere.

• If you're over 18, text the word **SHOUT**

• Under 18s, text **YM**

Text: **85258**

Cornwall's 24/7 NHS mental health support

Call for free, any time day or night if you are worried about your own or someone else's mental health. The team behind the 24/7 open access telephone service will listen to you and determine how best to help

0800 038 5300

Valued Lives:

Supports people who are experiencing mental or emotional distress in Cornwall. Every day, 5.30pm - midnight.

01209 901438

If you, or someone else, is in immediate danger call **999**



www.cornwall.gov.uk/mentalhealth

If you're worried about a child:

0808 800 5000

help@nspcc.org.uk

www.nspcc.org.uk

Penzance CTIPA Foodbank

The CTIPA Foodbank in Penzance provides food for anyone in need. If their support would be helpful to you, just phone Veryan or Adele in the office in confidence on 01736 364087 and they can phone the Foodbank for you who will be able to help.

The Foodbank are extremely busy at the moment and are very grateful for any donations.

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0344 411 1444

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LIVING
MISERABLY
CALM

"It's alright to ask for help"

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NATIONAL DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE HELPLINE
0808 2000 247
24/7 CONFIDENTIAL
FREEPHONE

AT HOME
SHOULDN'T
MEAN
AT RISK

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FIND SUPPORT AT:
gov.uk/domestic-violence

WCWAid

West Cornwall Women's Aid

01736 367539

https://www.wcwaid.co.uk/helpline

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

POP-UP ADS

Pop-up advertisements have been a staple of the internet since they were first introduced in the late 1990s. This form of advertising causes a small window or banner to appear in the foreground while someone is browsing a website. Although these adverts are merely irritating for most people, pop-ups can present more severe risks to younger users.



WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

DECEPTIVE TACTICS

Children sometimes don't understand that adverts (including pop-ups) are designed to sell a product – and can't distinguish between a legitimate feature of a site and an advertisement. Video games, for example, can be full of pop-up ads that tempt users into spending money, yet they might take the form of a mini-game or extra level.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

While some adverts are targeted based on a user's interests and activity online, that isn't always the case. This means that children may unfortunately be exposed to ads for age-inappropriate goods or services such as tobacco products, alcohol and gambling sites.

MALWARE RISK

Most pop-ups from reputable advertisers are safe. However, in some cases, pop-ups can trick you into downloading malware – whereby cybercriminals install software on your device, allowing them to access your sensitive data. It can be difficult to know if malware has been installed on your device, so your best option is to avoid engaging with these pop-ups altogether. Be wary of sites that suddenly bombard you with ads or try to prevent you from leaving.

PRIVACY RISK

Many app and game developers will collect their users' personal data, such as their name, address, email address, geolocation information, unique numerical identifiers, photos and payment information. If a child clicks on an illegitimate pop-up laced with malware, all this information could be put at risk.

RACKING UP BILLS

If a child has access to a payment card on their device – be it a smartphone, laptop, or tablet – they could very quickly rack up a massive bill by interacting with pop-up adverts and buying products shown to them. Try to keep a close eye on their spending.

BEHAVIOURAL IMPACT

Research has found that pop-up ads can even have an impact on children's behaviour. Some of these adverts use manipulative tactics that take advantage of children's developmental vulnerabilities, intentionally or otherwise. This approach may cause a child's mood to shift: becoming more stubborn, for example, if they begin wanting their parents to buy a specific product for them.

Advice for Parents & Educators

START A CONVERSATION

It's important to have regular conversations with children about online advertising so that they understand the risks of interacting with pop-ups. For example, if a child asks for a product which has been advertised to them online, ask them why they want it and how they found it: this will present an opportunity to talk youngsters through the tactics used in online marketing.

SPOT THE SIGNS

If you're concerned that a child may be following pop-up ads to make online purchases or viewing content that could be harmful, it's important to be able to spot the signs. Due to the often-manipulative nature of these adverts, children who interact with them regularly may show signs of distraction, stubbornness and an increasingly materialistic worldview.

MONITOR CONTENT

It can often be difficult to spot when a pop-up advert is malicious – even more so for impressionable younger users. It's important to monitor the content they're consuming to prevent them from clicking on something dangerous. If a pop-up ad seems too good to be true – promising a free iPad, for example – it probably is.

PRIVACY SETTINGS

Most modern devices have privacy settings that let you limit the amount of advertising a child is subjected to while using apps or browsing the internet. You may also want to speak to teachers about avoiding sites and apps with advertising, as well as adjusting digital privacy settings on any education technology they use.

LIMIT SPENDING

Try to stay aware of what children are spending and ensure that payment details aren't linked to or saved on the gaming platform that they use. Most video games and internet-enabled devices have settings that can help you manage what children can or cannot purchase online.

CUT DOWN ON SCREEN TIME

Given the prevalence of pop-up ads (which can appear on everything from smartphones and tablets to internet-connected toys and games), it might be beneficial to limit the time children spend on digital devices to curb their exposure to digital advertising.

Meet Our Expert

Carly Page is an experienced technology writer with more than 10 years in the industry. Previously the editor of tech tabloid *The Inquirer*, she is now a freelance technology journalist, editor and consultant who writes for Forbes, TechRadar and Wired, among others.



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There is a lot of help and advice available to help you keep your children safe online. Have a look at the Online Safety section of our website for lots of useful information and links http://www.alverton.org.uk/website/online_safety_for_families/246722. Your child's teacher will also always be happy to talk to you about online safety.

Free School Meals / Pupil Premium

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schools-and-education/schools-and-colleges/school-meals/>

Registering a child as eligible for free school meals (as described below) means that your child receives a free meal every day (though they can, of course, bring a packed lunch should they prefer) but there are additional benefits too. Pupil Premium brings more money into the school to help children achieve and learn. Children in receipt of the Pupil Premium also receive other benefits (eg contributions towards Key Stage 2 camps and funding to use for uniform, music lessons, trips etc). At some times, there are further benefits for these children such as food vouchers during holiday times where these are given. Please see the Pupil Premium Provision Map in the Pupil Premium section of our website http://www.alverton.org.uk/website/pupil_premium/172518 or speak to Mrs Gill or Mrs Stacey in the office or contact Mrs Simpson who leads our Pupil Premium provision.

The easiest and quickest way to apply for free school meals is online through the Cornwall Council website but, if you are unable to do this, you can call the Free School Meals team on 01872 323298 and a member of the team will call you back to complete the application over the phone.

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

- 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) Support
- Universal Credit - your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get) as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods

If you are claiming the benefits listed below you are NOT eligible for free school meals, 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

NB All Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils are entitled to receive a free school meal as part of the Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM) initiative, 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 and it is important to apply for these if you think your child may be eligible.

Registering for free school meals / Pupil Premium is confidential. If you think that your child is eligible, we strongly recommend that you contact Cornwall Council as detailed above. Mrs Gill and Mrs Stacey in the office will also be able to help you and answer any questions you may have.

Thank you.

To sign up please click on the link:

<https://forms.office.com/e/sNHmSJgk0q>



CAPE CORNWALL SCHOOL

SUPER! SATURDAY

Years 4, 5 & 6

Saturday 22nd June 2024 | 10.00 - 12.30

DRUM & BASS MUSIC PRODUCTION	You will be guided in creating your own original Drum and Bass dance music track from scratch using music technology. At the end of the day you will be able to take your music away on CD to show your friends and family!
EXPLORE NATURE'S SECRETS	Join us for a hands on adventure into the world of habitats and genetics. You'll get crafty by constructing a bug hotel to take home to support your local wildlife. Plus, dive into the building blocks of life by extracting DNA from a strawberry. Don't miss this exciting opportunity to become a young scientist for the day.
ROBOT PENCIL HEADS!	Create your very own Robot Pencil Head in our Design Technology workshop. Come and get involved in all things 'making', including designing, sticking, gluing sanding, drilling and painting!
TOWERS THROUGH TIME	From the Pyramids to the Burj Khalifia - investigate different periods in our history and why humans have always strived to 'reach for the stars'! With limited resources, compete to construct your own tower and see which will reach the highest heights.
SPORTS MANIA	Are you sporty? Why not join us for a Mini Olympic fun session - summer style - with tennis, dodgeball, cricket and athletics.



STARS OF THE WEEK

Little Foxes	Oliver	for his fantastic character & personality
Little Owls	Stefan	for being amazing in Nursery & always being happy & willing to learn
Kittiwakes	Astrid	Perseverance: for showing great perseverance in adapting to school life
Curlews	AJ	Perseverance: for great perseverance in reading
Puffins	Amiya	Kindness: for being so helpful, kind & polite
Owls	Jaden	Enthusiasm: for his enthusiasm during our Sports Day
Kingfishers	Lincoln	Perseverance: for his perseverance in our reading SATs this week
Trencrom	Jamie-Leigh	Kindness: for always being so polite & kind
Lanyon	Millie T-A	Responsibility: for taking charge of her own learning & helping others
Kerris	Harry	Responsibility: for always being so helpful around the school
Bodriftly	Jemima	Enthusiasm: for being an enthusiastic learner in all curriculum areas
Bosigran	Theo	Kindness: for being so kind & helpful with our younger members of school
Kenidjack	Maksim	Kindness: for being so kind & helpful with our younger members of school
Lunchtime Star	Kenzi	Perseverance: for showing great perseverance & enthusiasm for tackling boys at football
	Samara	Kindness: for being a great help and a lovely friend



I had a lovely coffee and a chat with a friend recently but was genuinely surprised to learn that a mutual friend has been stressed for some time, without realising it, until they in turn sat down and chatted. It really highlights to me the importance of talking, chatting, being with friends, not just being a parent or a teacher or any of the other myriad roles we all

have. We must make time for ourselves, to be us, ourselves, adults (or big kids), not always mum or dad or anybody else for others, just us for our own sakes. Can I help? You bet, come and chat. If not to me, find a friend. You may feel better, they may feel better - you have nothing to lose and everything to gain. Until then, lots of love, Mrs D

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DIARY DATES

Tuesday 18th June 1.30pm	Reception Sports Day
Tuesday 25th June 5.30pm	New Reception parents meeting
Thursday 27th June 9.30am	Alverton Mazey Parade
Friday 28th June	Year 6 Pendennis trip
Saturday 29th June	Mazey Day <i>Parade time TBC</i>
Tuesday 2nd July	Year 6 transition day at Humphry Davy & Mounts Bay
Wednesday 3rd-Friday 5th July	Year 6 London
Friday 12th July 3.15pm	FOAS Summer Fair
Tuesday 23rd July 1.30pm	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Tuesday 23rd July	School closes at 3.15pm for the Summer holidays
Wednesday 24th July	INSET Day - school closed
Thursday 25th July-Monday 2nd September	Summer holidays
Tuesday 3rd September	INSET Day - school closed
Wednesday 4th September	Autumn term begins

JASON AND THE ARGONAUTS

Create a play in a day!

**Work with professional directors, choreographers,
a musical director and makers to turn Jason's
valiant journey into a play on the Minack stage!**

**June 22nd 10am
Ages 7-11
Performance 5pm
Free to participants**



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