



## Tintagel Primary School Newsletter

September 2022

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Dear Parents and Carers

A huge warm welcome back to you all, I hope all families had a lovely summer break, what amazing weather we were treated to.

The school has been spruced up once more, the classrooms already have a buzz of learning and the staff are excited for the academic year ahead. The children have already got stuck into their first week with some lovely memorable learning experiences. We have loved seeing them all back looking smart and eager to participate and see their friends.



Our value for this term is such an important one, **'Trust & Collaboration'** under the umbrella Enquiry question, **'How are we stronger together?'**. This is a great Enquiry that links directly to nature and the world around us – with a particular emphasis on the Geography curriculum for many year groups. There will be opportunities to get outside with some classes hoping to incorporate a visit out of the school grounds in the coming weeks. Look out for communication on this through Arbor.

### **Staffing**

Just as a reminder, our staffing structure for this academic year is as follows:

Class 1: Miss Wheldon and Mrs Taylor (Mon, Tue, Thur & Fri) & Mrs Reynolds (Wed)

Class 2: Ms Thorpe, Mrs Gabriel and Mrs Reynolds

Class 3: Mrs Kirkman (Mon), Miss Thomas (Tue – Friday) and Mrs White

Class 4: Miss Court & Mr Doman

We are very excited for Miss Williams who will be temporarily leaving us in December to have a baby. For the Autumn term she is going to be working alongside Mrs Luxton to carry out work with individuals and small groups around social and emotional support both inside and within our outdoor classroom.

Mrs Dingle, our SENDCo will be in school on a Tuesday and also available on a Wednesday if you would like to speak with her about all things SEN. Please book an appointment via the school office.

Mrs Cox is continuing to work in her role as Strategic Partner across several Aspire Schools and continues to work closely with the School Leadership Team in helping to shape the schools moving forwards.

Your first point of contact is always Mrs Lowe in the office who is always available to support you in any way. You can drop in and see her or contact her by email or phone.

### **Wraparound**

Our wraparound childcare club is continuing this year. Breakfast Club starts from 8am and after school club runs until 5pm. We continue to review this service and the timings so please do give us some feedback and as long as there is a need, we will try and accommodate families as much as we can. Please book and pay for this through ParentPay. If you have any queries, please contact the office for more information.



### **Meet and Greet**

We would like to welcome you in for a class 'Meet and Greet' where your child's class teacher can share any information about the learning within the class and answer any questions you may have.

These have worked really well in the past. These will take place the week beginning 19<sup>th</sup> September. We will send more details next week when we know the exact date and time for each class.

### **Attendance**

As you are aware, the DFE have put significant emphasis on the importance of attendance over the academic year. You can monitor your own child's attendance through the Arbor app. If you are having any difficulties in getting your child to school, please talk to your child's teacher as there might be something we can do to support you. Mrs Kirkman as Attendance Lead for the school, will continue to have half termly meetings with the EWO to review whole school attendance. A new Aspire attendance policy will be available on the website shortly. If your child is unwell, please inform Mrs Lowe in the school office.

### **School Dinners**

You should now have received the menu for this term's school lunches. The price of a meal is now £2.45. Please note that all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a universal free school lunch. All meals for children in Years 3-6 will need to be paid for via ParentPay unless you are in receipt of Free School Meals. If you are unsure come and talk to us and we will see how we can help.

### **Permissions & Information**

We will be sending out an electronic form next week to update our records for walk home alone authorities and collection arrangements. We will also be sending the Annual Medical Declaration; this is an important document that needs to be completed even if it is to show a nil return.



This year we will not be sending out the Data Collection sheets for you to check and return. Therefore, please could you log in to Arbor and check the information we have on file, please also check all photo and film consents are up-to-date, if you need to make any amendments please do so or contact the office.

### **School Photography**

The School Photographer will be coming in to take our annual individual photographs on the afternoon of Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September.

### **School Uniform**

The children looked fantastic in their smart new uniform this week, thank you. To help us keep control of lost property, please name everything. A particular thank you for all those parents who ensure their children have the correct PE Kit.

### **Important information about drop off and pick up**

In our absolute commitment to the highest standards of safeguarding, could we please remind parents that we are unable to hand children over to adults at the end of the day, unless they are named on the contact sheet or we have had a message directly from a parent giving permission for a last minute change. Children will always be handed to an adult when eye contact is made. It helps us if parents can stand back a little so we can see who is who. Clubs will be released from the front of the school at 4:15 as usual, please wait behind the school gate.

### **School Website**

Our school website is a great way of finding out key information that you need. There is a useful parents tab where you can find the lunch menu, term dates and information on things such as clubs. There is also a Classes tab where you can find key information relevant to the class. You will be emailed your child's Enquiry Web this week which shares the learning that will be covered in each subject this term, this information can also be found on the website. Please do explore, as it is a wealth of information with some good links to support you.

### **HRH Queen Elizabeth**

Queen Elizabeth II has died at the age of 96. Our longest serving monarch kept her promise to serve her people and her country throughout her life and her death marks the end of an era for our country. As the whole country moves into a period of mourning, we will continue to commemorate the Queen's life and legacy sensitively and appropriately for our children.

### **Bagel Breakfast**

We have kindly been offered a weekly donation of bagels from The Pantry at Tintagel Social Hall, which means that from next Thursday we will be offering a warm buttered bagel to all our children who would like one as they arrive into school on the gate. Mrs Kirkman and Mrs Lowe will be serving from 8:30 to 8:45am and there will be enough for everybody. A massive thank you to The Pantry for supporting our children.


### **PTFA News**

Our Parents, Teachers, Friends Association (PTFA) consists of parents, teachers and friends of the school all voluntarily working together to provide resources and equipment to benefit the school. As all parents are automatically part of our PTFA, it is entirely up to you how involved you would like to be. If you would like to be a part of it and make a difference, pop in for a chat next **Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> September at 2:45pm.**



As always, if you have any concerns, worries or questions, please don't hesitate to get in contact with us.

Kind regards



Lou Kirkman and the team

**Diary dates:**

<b>Autumn Term 2022</b>	
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> September	Class 3 Trip to Trewalder Woods
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	Class 2 Trip to Golitha Falls
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> September	Y1 Hearing Tests
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> September	Reception Balance-ability
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September pm	Annual Individual Photos
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September pm	Class 1 Visit from Tintagel Honey Beekeeper
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> September	Y5/6 Roadford Residential (postponed from June)
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> October – Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Class 3 & 4 Weekly Swimming Lessons
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Last Day of Autumn Term 1
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	First Day of Autumn Term 2