

Newsletter

Thursday 5th October 2023



Trannack Primary School

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Finance:

School Meals £2.65 per day, £13.25 per week. Please pay via ParentPay

Early Bird - £2.10 or £2.80 per session

Kid's Club - £7.35 per session

This must be booked in advance!

You may replace:

Book bags @£4.00

Uniform - www.hartpersonalised.com

or - www.myclothing.com

Trannack Facebook Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/Trannack-School-275021094306153>

Tax Free Childcare: www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare

Diary Dates

INSET Days - Sept 22nd, Oct 6th, Feb 19th, June 17th & July 24th.

Sept 6th first day of term

Half term Oct 23rd - 27th inc.

Christmas - Dec 20th - Jan 3rd inc.

Half term: Feb 12th - 16th inc.

Easter: Mar 29th - Apr 12th inc.

Half term: May 27th - 31st inc.

Summer: Jul 25th - Sep 2nd inc.

Dear Parents/Carers

INSET Days

May we remind you that tomorrow (6th October) is a school INSET day. This is for essential staff training. The half term holiday is Monday 23rd October to Friday 27th October.

Taking Holiday in Term Time

Last year's attendance for the whole school was just 91.6%, which is extremely low. The national average is 97%, which is also the expectation in this school. You have a legal duty to make sure your child attends school regularly and punctually. The school and the Local Authority monitor your child's attendance and will take action if it is poor. The Government recommends that family holidays are taken outside of school terms. Headteachers will sometimes give permission for a pupil to go on holiday during term time. They will consider the reasons for the holiday, the pupil's past attendance, and the effects the absence will have on the pupil's learning. But will not normally give permission simply because holidays cost less during term time. Headteachers have the discretion to grant leave, but they should only do so in exceptional circumstances. If a head teacher grants a leave request, it will be for them to determine the length of time that the child can be away from school. **It is, however, unlikely to be granted for the purposes of a family holiday. Parents can be fined for taking their child on holiday during term time without consent from the school.**

Warning - If you take your child out of school without permission you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may refer the matter to the education Welfare Service who may decide to prosecute. A conviction may result in a fine of up to £2,500, a prison sentence of up to three months or both. Alternatively, a penalty notice may be issued, this carries a fine of £60 per child if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after this but within 28 days. Failure to pay the penalty notice will result in Court action.

Attendance

The class with the highest attendance last week was Praa Sands class with 95.4%.

School Uniform

Now that we are fully settled into the Autumn term, and with half term coming up, I realise that it may be that some parents may be thinking about replacing uniform that no longer fits. Therefore, I wanted to take the opportunity to send this reminder of our uniform expectations. They are as follows:

- Sky blue polo shirt (not white), preferably with the Trannack logo
- Royal blue Trannack crew-neck sweater
- **Royal blue Trannack cardigan**
- Grey trousers, uniform/tailored shorts, skirt or pinafore dress
- **Royal blue gingham dress (May-September only)**
- White or grey socks/grey tights
- Plain black shoes
- PE kit (**to be worn on PE and sports club days only**): royal blue hoodie and sky-blue t-shirt (both preferably with the Trannack logo), navy blue shorts or jogging bottoms.

Uniform can be purchased from either of our two suppliers:

- www.hartpersonalised.com/07846_536992
- www.myclothing.com

If buying uniform with logos on is too expensive, please note that 'logoed' jumpers, hoodies, polo shirts and t-shirts are preferred, but not required.

Thank you for your support in helping the children look smart and feel a part of the Trannack Team.

Mr Boyes

Harvest Festival

During the morning of 19th October, we will be holding a harvest festival. The children will be singing harvest songs and presenting some of their recent work. It will commence at 10am, parents are invited. All food collected will be donated to the local food bank. Further information will follow.

Vision Screening

This screening is for children in Reception, it will take place during the morning of Thursday 19th October. All children will be screened unless you have opted out (this information was sent home via class Dojo earlier this week).

Recycled Clothes - October 10th

Don't forget to send your unwanted clothes to Jo Hart for recycling, by Tuesday of next week. This will help the FTS to raise much needed funds to support the school.

School Individual Photographs

These will take place on Wednesday 1st November.

Swimming

Due to unforeseen circumstances, we have had to postpone swimming this term. We are planning on rescheduling this for the spring term.

Signing Children Out

When you collect your child early from school for an appointment or event such as surfing, it is very important that you sign them out before you take them. If they hadn't been signed out before you took them, in the event of a fire, we would be unaware whether your child was safe or not.

Woodlands

We wanted to make a change this year, with the aim of ensuring woodlands sessions fit better within our curriculum and to ensure that children are able to develop their skills more effectively. As such, rather than give an hour a week/every other week to sessions where it was often quite difficult to fit everything in effectively, we are going to have a half-termly off-timetable woodlands day for each class. These dates are: Portreath Mon 9th Oct - Praa Fri 13th Oct - Godrevy Mon 16th Oct. Please ensure that your child wears their PE kit on that day, but no shorts to be worn.

Applying for Place in a Secondary School

The deadline to apply for a Yr7 place in a secondary school is 31st October 2023. Please go to www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions and follow the instructions.

Applying for a Place in a Primary School

The deadline to apply for a Reception place in a primary school is 15th January 2024. Please go to www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions and follow the instructions.

Data Collection Sheet

Please ensure that you have returned the form with either with a tick on it to ensure we know that you have seen it and there are no changes to be made, or with the amendments made on the form so that we can update our records accordingly. A prompt response would be much appreciated.

Pupil Acceptable Use Agreement

Thank you to those parents who have already returned these, if you haven't done so already, please return to school on Monday of next week.

Digital Parenting - Tech tips to bring you together

Early Bird & Kids Club Bills

Thank you to all those parents who have paid their bills so promptly. If you are one of the few people who haven't yet paid, please pay as soon as possible. Thank you!

Explore your history

How much does your child know about their family tree? Use an ancestry site (MyHeritage.com and Ancestry.co.uk) together to turn family detective, trace your roots and discover where you came from.

This week's certificates go to:

Name	Class	Certificate	Reason
Percy	Godrevy	Citizen of the Week	For showing resilience to keep going even when feeling under the weather!
Ethan M	Godrevy	Learner of the Week	For a superb attitude to learning, positivity towards his work and great effort!
Gracie	Portreath	Citizen of the Week	For showing super resilience and throwing herself back into learning.
Frankie	Portreath	Learner of the Week	For fantastic homework projects
Ruby	Praa Sands	Citizen of the Week	For being a great friend to everyone in Praa Sands.
Robyn	Praa Sands	Learner of the Week	For excellent effort in all of her learning, especially mathematics.

Reading Karate		
Name	Colour	Class
Jden	White	Godrevy

House Points	
Fleetwood	★
Hepworth	★
Davey	★ ★ ★
Trevithick	

School Meals Praa Sands Class

Week 2

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