



Newlyn News

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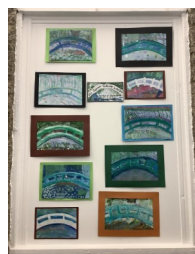
Autumn 2021

We are already well into November and the sound of Christmas singing can be heard in the classrooms. Whilst we still are unable to all come together for Christmas, we hope to share our Christmas joy with you by creating a school video once again.

We are delighted that we will be welcoming Mrs Buckingham as our new Reception teacher, working alongside Miss Tonkin. She will begin her new role in January but will be in school, meeting the children and getting to know us all during the next few weeks. A huge thank you to our lovely Mrs Holden who has held the fort for us while we appointed. Mrs Holden will remain very much part of the school.

Art around the school

We are so proud of the quality of art work your children are producing. We look forward to our visit from Nottingham University on December 2nd when they will be looking at art and creativity across the school. Please make sure you have given consent for your children to talk to the researcher if you are happy to do so. A huge thank you to Mrs Baldwin for the work she puts into our displays.



Poetry

We had a go at writing our own Poetry in Year 6, based upon Mary Oliver's 'Invitation'. We discussed metaphors and powerful description - take a look at Amber's poem.

'Stop! and pause' by Amber

STOP! and pause
to see what is in
front of you.
Take a breath.

The wild flowers
cover the dusty dirt
As if they are a
carpet full of colour.

The dogs bark
As if they are
gunshots from
the war.

Being alive.
Stop and appreciate
your surroundings.
Stop! Look and listen.



Our Virtue

Our virtue this term is **responsibility**. The children will be learning about what it means to be a responsible citizen. They will also be learning about taking responsibility for themselves and their learning.

Cross Country



Some of our children from years 4, 5 and 6 who took part in the first Penwith School's Cross Country at Mount's Bay Academy on the 5th November. All of them gave it their best and achieved

some good results.



Reading

At Newlyn School, before Lockdown, we launched our [#10minsadaynewlyn](#) programme to encourage all pupils and their families to read for ten minutes a day. This was a great success and really helped raise reading standards. Here is one of our readers, but all can be seen on our Facebook page, search 'newlynschool'.



Primary School Places

If your child was born between 1 September 2017 and 31 August 2018 you will need to apply for a school place for September 2022. **The deadline for applications is 15 January 2022.**

www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

Earth's Green Guardians (EGG)

Earth's Green Guardians (EGG) is a local charity that helps kids joyfully Protect the Planet by connecting with nature, restoring local habitat, and preparing for the Green Jobs of the future. Our mascot, Pisky Oy, of Bluebell Dell, would like to share some cool tips on how you, your family and friends can make a difference in tackling Climate Change and pollution. Be sure to check your school newsletter for Tips From Oy.



If you would like to share something you do to help the Earth, let us know at info@earthggg.org.uk. We might put it in your school newsletter or on your school Facebook site!

You can make a difference. Here is a link to a survey Egg would like you to complete.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/Z79H96W>

INSET Days

Last day of term: Friday 17th December, 1pm

INSET day: Tuesday 4th January

First day back: Wednesday 5th January

Last day of summer term: Friday 22nd July

Reminders:

To report any Covid related information please use this dedicated email address: covid@newlyn.cornwall.sch.uk

We would appreciate all parents marking weekly on SchoolMoney their child's menu/pack lunch choice.

Please could we remind all parents to walk up the left side of the slope coming onto school premises. To exit please use the left turn halfway down the slope to assist with social distancing.



No mobile phones to be used on the school site unless in an emergency in which case please come to the office area.

Thank you for your support.



Clubs

Just a reminder that all clubs will finish the week ending **26th of November**.

Rotary Christmas boxes

<https://www.rotaryshoebox.org>

Thank you to the parents and staff that have kindly donated to the Rotary Christmas boxes. Mrs Cander (Teaching Assistant) has managed to make up 20 boxes so far.



Thank you once again for supporting this cause.

Trip for Class 2/3

As part of their topic, Class 2/3 will be going to Lands End Airport on Tuesday 23rd November.

Attendance Matters!

Congratulations to Year 5 once again who achieved 97.8% attendance last week.



Academic Year 2021/2022

Start of Term 2
01.11.21 INSET day—school will be closed
02.11.21 Beginning of term
23.11.21 Class 2/3 trip
17.12.21 End of Term 2 **1pm finish**

Start of Term 3
04.1.22 INSET day—school will be closed
05.1.22 Beginning of term
18.2.22 End of term 3

Start of Term 4
28.2.22 Beginning of term
8.04.22 End of term 4 **1pm finish**

Start of Term 5
25.4.22 Beginning of term
2.05.22 Bank Holiday
27.5.22 End of term 5

Start of Term 6
6.06.22 Beginning of term
22.7.22 End of term 6 **1pm finish**

Change of contact details

Name of child/children:

Name:

Email address:

Contact phone number:

Second contact details including name and phone number:

Please return to secretary@newlyn.cornwall.sch.uk. Thank you



FREE Public Swimming Sessions

Leisure providers are offering **FREE** weekly swim sessions to tackle the negative impact Covid-19 has had on many people's swimming skills development.

Days, times and start dates being confirmed for GLL Better Cornwall centres, Camelford, Penzance and Cam Brea Leisure Centres.

Please visit:

www.activecornwall.org/children-young-people-families/familys-provider-hub

Supported by Contain Outbreak Management Fund.

Find out more:





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Development Centre

Truro Development Centre Trial

Day	Thursday
Ages	U7 to U10
Date	Thursday 4th November
Timings	17:15–19:00
Price	Free
Website	WWW.CHELSEASOCCERSCHOOLS.CO.UK
Course code	FDC-TR-Tru-39

Age - U7 -U10

Venue – Truro College, Col-
lege Road, Truro TR1 3XX

Time – 17:15-19:00

Surface – 3G

Player's need;

Weather appropriate sports clothing

Football boots/trainers

Shin pads

Water bottle



For further details, please contact

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What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

SNAPCHAT

AGE RESTRICTION
13+

Snapchat is a photo- and video-sharing app which also allows users to chat with friends via text or audio. Users can share images and videos with specific friends, or through a 'story' (documenting the previous 24 hours) visible to their entire friend list. Snapchat usage rose during the pandemic, with many young people utilising it to connect with their peers. The app continues to develop features to engage an even larger audience and emulate current trends, rivaling platforms such as TikTok and Instagram.

CONNECTING WITH STRANGERS

Even if your child only connects on the app with people they know, they may still receive friend requests from strangers. Snapchat's links with apps such as Wink and Hoop have increased this possibility. Accepting a request means that children are then disclosing personal information through the Story, SnapMap and Spotlight features. This could allow predators to gain their trust for sinister purposes.

EXCESSIVE USE

There are many features that are attractive to users and keep them excited about the app. Snap streaks encourage users to send snaps daily. Spotlight Challenges give users the chance to obtain money and online fame, and the Spotlight feature's scroll of videos makes it easy for children to spend hours watching content.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Some videos and posts on Snapchat are not suitable for children. The hashtags used to group content are determined by the poster, so an innocent search term could still yield age-inappropriate results. The app's Discover function lets users swipe through snippets of news stories and trending articles that often include adult content. There is currently no way to turn off this feature.

SEXTING

Sexting continues to be a risk associated with Snapchat. The app's 'disappearing messages' feature makes it easy for young people (teens in particular) to share explicit images on impulse. While these pictures do disappear – and the sender is notified if it has been screenshotted first – users have found alternative methods to save images, such as taking pictures with a separate device.

DAMAGE TO CONFIDENCE

Snapchat's filters and lenses are a popular way for users to enhance their 'selfie game'. Although many are designed to entertain or amuse, the 'beautify' filters on photos can set unrealistic body image expectations and create feelings of inadequacy. Comparing themselves unfavourably against other Snapchat users could threaten a child's confidence or sense of self-worth.

VISIBLE LOCATION

My Places lets users check in and search for popular spots nearby – such as restaurants, parks or shopping centres – and recommend them to their friends. The potential issue with a young person consistently checking into locations on Snapchat is that it allows other users in their friends list (even people they have only ever met online) to see where they currently are and where they regularly go.

Advice for Parents & Carers

TURN OFF QUICK ADD

The Quick Add function helps people find each other on the app. This function works based on mutual friends or whether someone's number is in your child's contacts list. Explain to your child that this feature could potentially make their profile visible to strangers. We recommend that your child turns off Quick Add, which can be done in the settings (accessed via the cog icon).

CHOOSE GOOD CONNECTIONS

Snapchat has recently announced that it is rolling out a new safety feature: users will receive notifications reminding them of the importance of maintaining connections with people they actually know well, as opposed to strangers. This 'Friend Check Up' encourages users to delete connections with users they rarely communicate with, to maintain their online safety and privacy.

TALK ABOUT SEXTING

It may feel like an awkward conversation (and one that young people can be reluctant to have) but it is important to talk openly and non-judgementally about sexting. Discuss the legal implications of sending, receiving or sharing explicit images, as well as the possible emotional impact. Emphasise that your child should never feel pressured into sexting – and that if they receive unwanted explicit images, they should tell a trusted adult straight away.

CHAT ABOUT CONTENT

Talk to your child about what is and isn't wise to share on Snapchat (e.g. don't post explicit images or videos, or display identifiable details like their school uniform). Remind them that once something is online, the creator loses control over where it might end up – and who with. Additionally, Snapchat's 'Spotlight' feature has a #challenge like TikToks: it's vital that your child understands the potentially harmful consequences of taking part in these challenges.

KEEP ACCOUNTS PRIVATE

Profiles are private by default, but children may make them public to gain more followers. Your child can send Snaps directly to friends, but Stories are visible to everyone they have added, unless they change the settings. If they use SnapMaps, their location is visible unless 'Ghost Mode' is enabled (again via settings). It's prudent to emphasise the importance of not adding people they don't know in real life. This is particularly important with the addition of My Places, which allows other Snapchatters to see the places your child regularly visits and checks in: strangers, bullies and groomers could use this information to engage in conversation and arrange to meet in person.

BE READY TO BLOCK AND REPORT

If a stranger does connect with your child on Snapchat and begins to make them feel uncomfortable through bullying, pressure to send explicit images or by sending explicit images to them, your child can select the three dots on that person's profile and choose report or block. There are options to state why they are reporting that user (annoying or malicious messages, spam, or masquerading as someone else, for example).

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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