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Hi everyone,

To say it has been a hot week would be a massive understatement. We really are not set up for heat like this, so we are ensuring that children can drink whenever they need to and we are making sure they get some shade time when out on the playground. Please make sure that you send your child in with plenty of water, a sun hat and sun cream already applied please.

After a request from me at a meeting yesterday, all Cornish schools have been sent guidance for how to manage the school setting in this heat wave. The amber warning is in place for Sunday to Tuesday. Your children are welcome to wear different clothes to usual uniform on Monday and Tuesday if it is lighter and more bearable in the heat.

We might have to amend plans slightly for the Year 6 play next week (the Tuesday 1.30pm dress rehearsal show was due to have Years 3, 4 and 5 watching, but this might have to change). The 5pm shows will be hot, so please bring plenty of drink for yourselves. We will ensure all windows and doors are open and try and get some fans set up also.

This week we have enjoyed the Rock Steady concerts (future rockers in our midst), the Year 2s came up for a picnic with us and all governors came in for the day yesterday for our summer term governor day. Today, we have our well-beeeeeing day (buzz buzz). So many cool (but hot) things to enjoy near the end of term.

And then of course we had our Year 6 Leavers' Disco and Colour Run last night, which was so amazing. The year 6 group were just impeccable all evening and we will be so sorry to see them leave Carbeile. Seeing their wonderful behaviour and attitudes last night though, I know they are ready to succeed

I hope you all have a great weekend, stay safe in the sun. I am sure I will see lots of you for the Civic Parade (if your child is taking part, you will have received a letter). Just white polo shirts and cool shorts or skirts is fine for uniform. Sunhats are fine and sun cream please.

Ice Creams

The school council would like to do an ice cream sale after school on Monday 18th July. They have been wanting to do an event to raise some money for the Scoliosis Association, which will benefit one of our children in Year 5.

PE Days

In preparation for next year, please take note of the days that your children will be doing PE so you can send them to school in their PE kit on those days. Thank you.

Year 3 - Monday and Tuesday

Year 4 - Wednesday and Thursday

Year 5 - Monday and Tuesday

Year 6 - Wednesday for the whole year group plus Thursday for Lizard, Trevoise and Pendeen and Friday for Godrevy

Wellies

If you have any spare/old wellies, could you send them in for Mr. Rockett to use for forest schools please.

Maths Home Learning

Our Mathletics annual subscription is due to be renewed this month. It costs £2500 so we want to ensure we are getting value for money. Having analysed the usage of Mathletics, there are about 20% of children who use it regularly so we will be cancelling Mathletics from September. We will of course still be setting maths homework, but it will be geared much more around times tables using Times Tables Rockstars. Time tables are the most vital part of maths, and form the building blocks of almost all KS2 maths understanding, so it is essential that children know them all off by heart. We will let you know more about this next term.

Applications open for cost of living support payments for families on benefits related Free School Meals

Cornwall Council has received funding from the Government's Household Support Fund to help families with the increased cost of living. The money will support households in the most need against rising living costs, including energy, food and water bills.

Families with a child or children in Reception to Year 11 who is eligible for benefits-related Free School Meals can claim a cash payment of £80 per child by completing the application form at [Cost of living support payments - Cornwall Council](#)

Eligible families who apply will be sent full details of how to access their cash payment at the Post Office. We expect to start making payments before the start of the summer holidays. However, please note that this cash support scheme is not a direct replacement for the previous Free School Meal Holiday Voucher Scheme and families may not receive their payment in time for the summer holidays. The Free School Meal Holiday Voucher scheme has now ended and no vouchers will be issued for the summer holidays.

The cost-of-living support payment scheme will be widely publicised through the Council's social media and press channels. However, we would be grateful for the help of schools in communicating the scheme to their Free School Meal families. A parent/carer letter can be found below this article for schools to use if they wish.

SEND

Mrs. Bridges met Chloe Turner, the new SENCO at TCC, this week. The working relationship is already proving to be really effective, and I know that Carbeile and TCC will work very closely to ensure an excellent transition for our SEND children.

Trip Subsidies

Just to keep you informed about the ongoing challenges that we have with balancing our budget while still aiming to give the children the best possible learning experiences, please see below for the deficits from the Sterts theatre trip and for the year 6 swimming. This is the money that the school contributed due to the shortfall of parental contribution.

Sterts: School contribution - £1,855

Year 6 swimming: School contribution - £957

Mufti

As we seem to be one of the only schools to still be coming to school on the final Monday and Tuesday (25th and 26th July), both of these days will be mufti days, with the final day being toys and games as usual.

Letter from Public Health England

All schools have been asked to share this letter with their parents:

Dear Parents and Carers,

We know that the education and emotional wellbeing of children and young people have been hugely affected by the pandemic over the past couple of years. We would like to thank you for the incredible support you have given your children and their schools throughout this challenging time, even when it has also been hard on you as well.

While restrictions have ended Covid has not gone away and we are likely to see regular peaks of COVID-19 cases and new variants emerging for some time to come. In fact, cases are rising now. Therefore, we would like to encourage you to consider vaccinating your child against COVID-19 if you have not already done so. Vaccinations are available for all children over 5 years of age.

Why vaccinate children against COVID-19?

There are risks to getting COVID-19, both during the initial infection period and with longer term health issues such as long COVID. Long COVID is an increasingly widespread, multi-system condition. Underlying health conditions can increase the risks associated with COVID-19, but anyone can be at risk of severe disease, and lasting health issues. Long COVID can develop even after a mild case of COVID-19. It can affect multiple organs, and it progresses after the initial illness.

Symptoms range from mild to debilitating.

Vaccinating children against COVID-19 can:

1. Prevent further disruption to their education and social activity from initial infection as well as from long COVID which affects over 8% of children.
2. Save lives by reducing the risk of infection to your child and to those around them, especially vulnerable and elderly family members.
3. Reduce symptoms if infected and reduce the likelihood of developing severe disease, and lasting health issues – proven by over 15 studies.
4. Enhance future protection if a child has already had COVID-19, including for future waves due to new variants.

How safe is the COVID vaccine for children?

Over the last 18 months in the UK and across the world, over 100 million children have been successfully and safely vaccinated against COVID-19. As it is a requirement for all authorised medicines and vaccines in the UK, the COVID-19 vaccine also successfully passed all clinical safety trials and has been approved by the UK's Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency (MHRA). The MHRA is responsible for monitoring these vaccines on an ongoing basis. This is a requirement for all authorised medicines and vaccines in the UK.

Whilst children may commonly develop a sore arm, headache, tiredness and some achiness or chills, these side effects only usually last a few days. Serious side effects are very rare following a COVID-19 vaccination.

There have been some extremely rare reports of inflammation of the heart (myocarditis) after vaccination, but most people who had this recovered following rest and simple treatments. Studies have shown that myocarditis is far more common after catching a COVID-19 infection (6 times more common for boys) than after receiving a COVID-19 vaccine, providing further evidence supporting vaccination against the virus.

How effective is the vaccine in children?

The vaccine against COVID-19 is very effective in children. The lower dose for children, and longer interval between doses, provides a strong immune response. Vaccination also enhances future protection provided by a previous COVID-19 infection.

Vaccinating children can effectively prevent the worst effects of COVID-19, including against severe illness such as long COVID, which according to the Office for National Statistics 115,000 children are suffering from in the UK today. How to book an appointment for your child?

There are several ways to book your child a vaccination appointment:

1. You can book an appointment online, using the National Booking System website.
2. By using a dedicated walk-in clinic. Find out the details of your nearest walk-in site via the Grab a Jab website.
3. By calling 119.
4. Or in some instances your GP practice may also contact you to book an appointment at a clinic they are holding.

Please note that if a young person has recently experienced a COVID-19 infection, it is recommended that they wait for 12 weeks from the infection onset before vaccination. However, if a child is at high risk from COVID-19, or lives with someone who has a weakened immune system, they should only wait 4 weeks before receiving their vaccine.

Summary

As we all know COVID-19 has not gone away and therefore we fully support the decision to vaccinate children against the virus. Please do take the time to read the additional information which is provided by the NHS to help you and your child to make an informed decision on having the COVID-19 vaccination.

Additional information, including frequently asked questions can also be found on your local NHS website.

Finally, we encourage you to speak to your child's clinician or a clinician at a vaccination centre if you have questions and concerns. They will be able to speak to you in more detail and help you come to an informed decision.

Thank you for doing your part to protect your child and our communities.

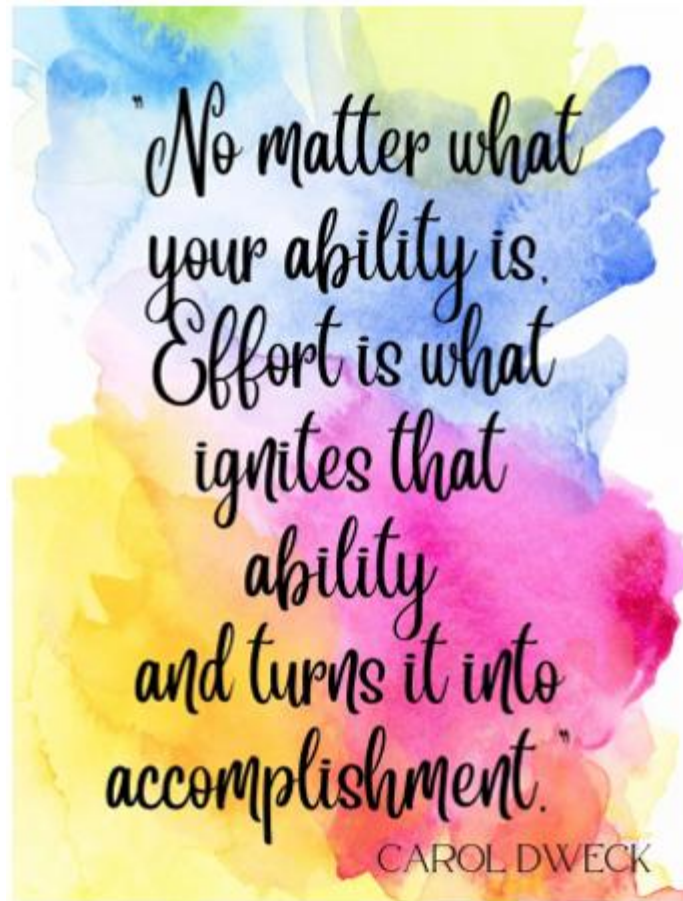
Helen Skinner, Chief Medical Officer, NHS Cornwall & Isles of Scilly Integrated Care Board

Rachel Wigglesworth, Director of Public Health, Cornwall Council



Learning Power Quote of the Week

Something different for this term - some great quotes that link so well to different aspects of our learning, both as adults and children.



Dates for your diary:

Date	Event
Tuesday 19 th July	Matinee Performance of Year 6 Leavers' Play @ 1.30pm
Tuesday 19 th July	Evening Performance of Year 6 Leavers' Play @ 5.00pm
Wednesday 20 th July	Matinee Performance of Year 6 Leavers' Play @ 1.30pm
Wednesday 20 th July	Evening Performance of Year 6 Leavers' Play @ 5.00pm
Tuesday 26 th July	Last day of term – mufti and toys and games
Wednesday 27 th July	School holidays start