



St Mary's News

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NSPCC Workshop

Speak out. Stay safe.

This week, Trust, Compassion and Courage Classes had a visit from Victoria from the NSPCC. Victoria led the children in discussions about 'speaking out and staying safe'. The children covered topics such as having the right to speak out and have their views taken seriously, speaking out if they encounter things that make them feel uncomfortable and how to be kept safe and get help when they need it. Victoria encouraged the children to have conversations about different scenarios, how to deal with them and who they could speak to for support in an age appropriate way.

We are so grateful to Victoria and her team at the NSPCC, not forgetting 'Buddy' the speech bubble, for coming in and speaking with the children about this important subject.

'Speak out Stay Safe' is a safeguarding programme for children aged 5- to 11-years-old. It is available to all primary schools in the UK and Channel Islands. It helps children understand where to get help and the sources of help available to them, including our Childline service 0800 1111 or online <https://www.childline.org.uk/kids>



You're never too young to make a difference.

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Understanding Colours

In art, Joy Class are beginning to develop an understanding of colours. The children are using the influence of a local artist, John Dyer, whose work using colour can be clearly seen in his paintings of Cornwall. This week, Joy Class learnt a little about him and tried to replicate his work. Through his paintings, John hopes to convey optimism, fun, life, joy, happiness, the good things in life and the colours that pass people by.



Parent Information -

Trust Class Drop Off and Collection

Following the recent Seesaw message from Miss. Vowles, to minimise congestion on the steps outside Joy and Trust classrooms, we would like for Trust Class children to be dropped off and collected from the side door of the classroom from Monday 4th March. This is the door outside, near the hall.

Thank for the feedback that was provided during the last Parent Group meeting. We are always looking for parents to represent their children's class at the Parent Group so, if you are interested, please contact the office.

St. Mary's Car Park

You may have noticed that our car park barrier is once again out of action due to vehicular damage.

Please can we ask parents and carers not to park in the car park during drop off and collection times. The car park is for staff and school visitor access only. Should vehicle users need to park, please do so along Higher Trehaverne or Chainwalk Drive. As usual, we ask for parent and carer's support in keeping the roads outside of school safe for pedestrians as well as being respectful to residents who live near to the school when driving and parking.

Many thanks for your continued support.

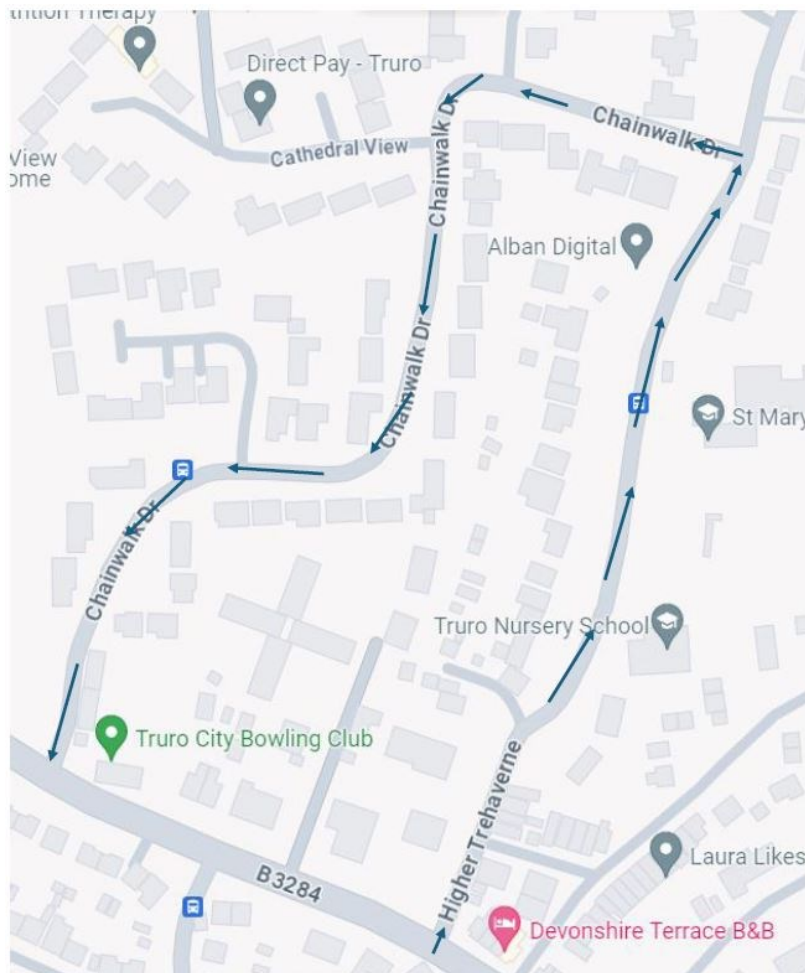


Road Safety



We have had a number of reports of unsafe situations on the road outside of school and as such, we would like to encourage our parents and carers to adopt the unofficial one way system, when dropping off and collecting children from school.

This would mean that drivers would come in to the turning for Higher Trehaverne and drive along the road and exit via Chainwalk Drive. If you follow this road around, it will take you back out onto the main Kenwyn Road. This can help to ensure there is a steady and safe stream of traffic outside our school.



We urge drivers to be aware of children walking along pavements and be mindful of this when manoeuvring their vehicles. We ask that drivers avoid mounting pavements and to also be aware of children crossing.

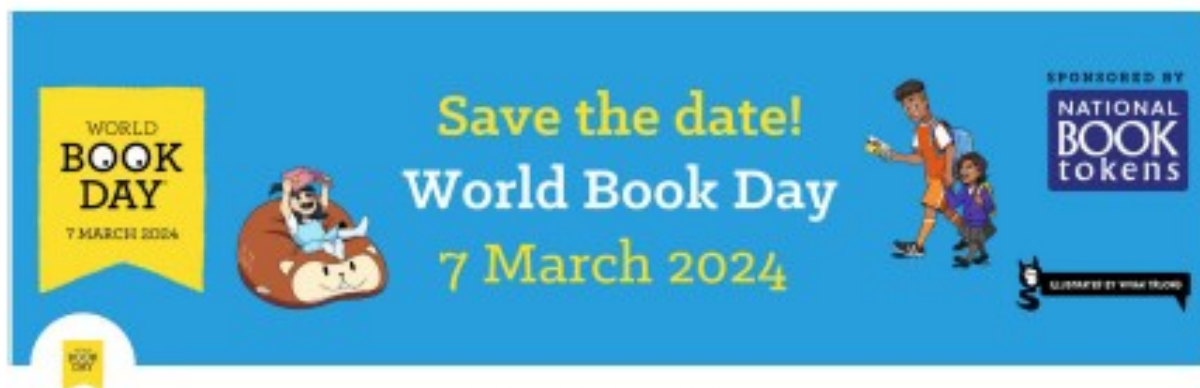
It is also for the safety of pedestrians and road users that the law states 'No Parking' on zig-zag lines.

Please could we also request that road users do not use the entrance to the car park to turn around.

Please follow the above route and exit via Chainwalk Drive.

Please help us to keep the area outside School as safe as we can by driving and parking responsibly.

Thank you for your continued cooperation
and helping to keep our children safe.



World Book Day

Thursday 7th March 2024

We are pleased to confirm that the theme for this year's World Book Day will be 'Sam Francisco - King of the Disco' by Sarah Tagholm.

We are encouraging everyone to dress as either disco cats or pyjama cats to tie in with the characters within the book.

We are also excited to welcome author Sarah Tagholm, who will be working on some fun, creative and inspiring activities with the children throughout the day.

Below are a few examples of the characters found within this story to inspire your outfits! We can't wait to see you in your disco finest!







BRILLIANT BOOK Fair

2024

ST MARY'S SCHOOL



Join us for our brilliant Scholastic book fair in the hall on the 1st and 2nd April after school. Children will visit the book fair throughout the week to look at the latest releases available in fiction and non-fiction. Parents are then invited in to purchase books if they would like. All books purchased will raise much-needed funds for our school library.



Scholastic Book Fair 1st and 2nd April



STARS OF THE WEEK

Year R	Sunrise	Isaac Verran For super 'Jack and the Beanstalk' writing
Year 1	Joy	Sol Bailey For working hard in maths, looking at numbers to 50
Year 2	Trust	Tabitha Buist For always being a star example and ready to learn
Year 3	Hope	Eddie Thurlow For dazzling us all week with your wonderful attitude to learning and doing it with a great big smile!
Year 4	Friendship	Sienna Tanner For sharing ideas and planning her invasion letter
Year 5	Compassion	Olivia Stock For excellent work in Mathematics, learning long multiplication and solving problems
Year 6	Courage	Esmæe Thorning For continually having an excellent attitude towards her learning and consistently trying her best

Jigsaw Weekly Celebration

This week, we will be celebrating people who:

Have eaten a healthy and balanced diet

Henry Smith, Sebastian Perry, Edward Williams, Jake Morgan, Reuben Norton, Arlo Wolf Rothon, Skylar Fox, Sebastian Hadfield, Gabriele Ziliukaite, Bear Thomas, Freddie Booker, Agnes Richards, Alina Paul, Arlo Taylor, Callum Williams, Rose Perry, Eliza Shirley, Lenny Pearson, Thaleia Pengas, Elowen Elliott-Bennett, Isaac Andrzejuk-Allen, Jack Neil, Lowenna Stevenson, Annabelle Young, Freya Howell-Round, Isobel Lewin, Emilia Insa-James, Finley Senior, Alice Jones, Edith Warner, Blake Thomas, Aveline Rankine, Isabella Gray, Louis Burrows, Alfred Middleton, Idris Gough, William Andrzejuk-Allen, Freddie Paul, Neva Taylor, Eve Baker, Ben Hocking, Poppy Hagan, Isaac Shirley, Ava Rowe, Iris Blomfield, Bella Clapp, Charlie Keast, Elissia Neil, Esme Lindsell, Olly Pitt,





Reading Awards

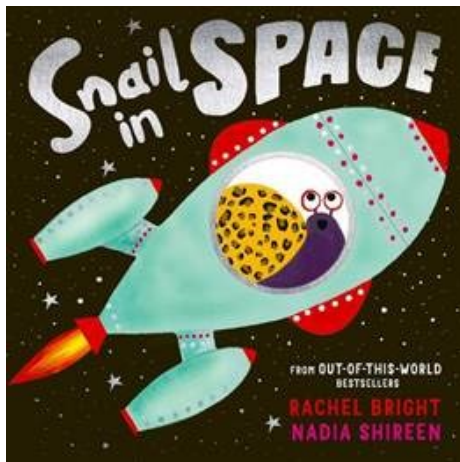


Bronze: Skylar Fox, Chester Grigg, Dylan Smith, Blake Thomas, Leola Dunstan

Silver: Afia Trevaskis, Lamorna Chase, Coby Grigg, Ralph Trevail, Fergus Bennett, Edith Warner, Ben Hocking, Toby Duke, Oakley Endean, Joshua Gardner-Chicote, Ava Rowe,

Gold: Leola Dunstan, Isabelle Middleton, Esmée Thorning, Elsie Jones, Olly Pitt, Arthur Leyland, Sophie Somerville, Oscar Julyan, Luna Miller, Amelia Abdalla, Tommy Booker, Jake Morgan, William Parker, Molly Pollard, Chloe Ituen, Rover Rose Sharrinton-Jenkins, Regan Martin, Luna-Rose Blaney, Reuben Norton, Reuben Senior, Verity Burrows, Freddie Booker, Aliyah Kanagaraj, Alina Paul, Agnes Richards, Sam Treganowan, Jacob Trenerry-Talbot, Ruby Whaley, George Williams, Louis Burrows, Prisha Dhumane, Carmen Hadfield, Isobel Lewin, Connie Tucker, Aksel Middleton, Ruan Lewis, Neva Taylor, Isaac Shirley, Eve Baker

Recommended Read



Snail in Space

Author: Rachel Bright

Illustrator: Nadia Shireen

When all snails are born, they're told to live a simple life and not to dream too big.

But Gail is a snail who marches to a different kind of beat.

With her zingy leopard-print shell and bright red specs, Gail the snail has an out-of-this-world dream. She wants to be the first snail in space.

There was doubt and there was fear, but after a treacherous journey to SpaceCamp, Gail begins her training. But becoming a space cadette is no easy task as there's a fitness test, lots of studying and a big exam. Gail passes with flying colours and finally, it's time to climb into the spaceship for the first time.

But the utterly exhausted snail slips and falls as she's heading up the ladder. It's nearly time for the rocket to take off, but does Gail have what it takes to roll over, get up and follow her space dreams?

From the creators of *Slug in Love*, this is a hilariously warm story about the power of passion and persistence.

Interest Age: 4.5

Reading Age: 7+

Diary Dates

Thursday 7th March 2024

World Book Day

Wednesday 20th March 2024

Rocksteady Easter Concert

Tuesday 26th March 2024

Easter Service - Kenwyn Church

Friday 29th March 2024

Easter Break - Happy Easter!

Monday 15th April 2024

School Opens

Wednesday 1st May 2024

Schoolastic Book Fair

Tuesday 2nd May 2024

Schoolastic Book Fair

Monday 6th May 2024

Bank Holiday

Monday 27th May 2024

Half Term

Monday 3rd June 2024

School Opens

Tuesday 4th June 2024

Hatchbox Class Photographs

Monday 10th - Wednesday 12th June 2024

Year 6 Camp

Monday 17th - Wednesday 19th June 2024

Year 4 Camp

Monday 24th June 2024

Sports Day

Wednesday 17th July 2024

Rocksteady Summer Concert

Monday 22nd July 2024

Inset Day

Tuesday 23rd July 2024

Inset Day

Wednesday 24th July 2024

Inset Day

Thursday 25th July 2024

Summer Holidays Begin!

Tuesday 3rd September 2024

School Opens



Cornwall Childrens Clothes Bank

One-off Event

**No booking needed
Everyone welcome**

- Thursday 7 March
- 9:30 – 11:30
- All Saints Church,
Highertown,
Truro, TR1 3LD

Don't forget to bring a bag!



BIG WORLD FAIR

Learning and growing together with people across the globe

SATURDAY 20th APRIL

10am - 3.30pm

TRURO CATHEDRAL

Everyone welcome!

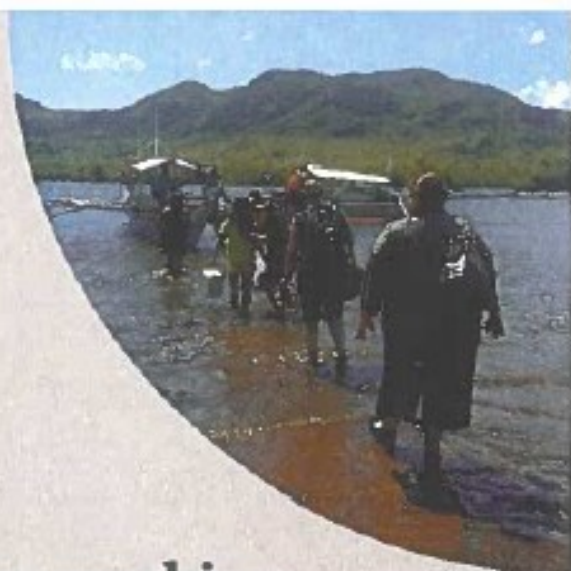
Find out about organisations working internationally & locally, from Cornwall & beyond and how you, your community or your church can get involved

Fun activities for children to find out more about the world

**Performances including:
Cornwall Youth Choir
Ukrainian Harmony
Isaac Salaman**

**Roseland Academy Samba Band
+ Drumming workshop
to join in!**

**Speakers from:
Five Talents
Christian Aid
Edukid
Tearfund**



More Info: international.links@truro.anglican.org



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Together for Families

Early Help Parenting Newsletter – Spring 2024

Free information, support and guidance for parents and carers.

Need help?

Contact the Early Help Hub on 01872 322277 for support, advice and guidance.

If you have immediate concerns, are worried about a child or young person's safety, please telephone the Multi Agency Referral Unit (MARU) on 0300 123 1116.

Parenting Support Workshops

We offer interactive parenting programmes both online and face to face. For more information about our parenting support on offer and to book onto a workshop please visit:

www.cornwall.gov.uk/parenting

The programmes currently available are:

Solihull: Understanding your Child – Supporting parents/carers of children aged 1 to 3, 4 to 8, or 9 to 11 (10 x 2-hour sessions)

Take 3 – Supporting parents/carers of teenagers aged 12-17 (10 x 2-hour sessions)

Living with Parents – a one day workshop for parents and their young person aged 12 to 17 years.

Supporting Healthy Relationships – (3 x 2-hour sessions)

- **Me, You and Baby Too** (for parents pre-birth – 12 months)
- **Arguing Better** (for parents of children aged 1 – 19)
- **Getting it Right for Children** (for separated/separating parents with children aged 0 – 19)

Understanding your Child with Additional Needs – a self-guided course accessed through Solihull:

<https://inourplace.heiapply.com/online-learning/course/36>. To access the course, please register for an account using the code TAMAR

- If accessing from a computer, please [click here](#)
- If accessing from a mobile/tablet, please [click here](#)

Bitesize Parenting

Bitesize parenting workshops are weekly 2-hour sessions (12:30 – 14:30) delivered by our parenting team to support on a wide range of topics. Please book on by visiting www.cornwall.gov.uk/parenting

Date	Bitesize Child (for parents/carers of children aged 4-11)
06.02.24	Remaining Calm
13.02.24	Praise and Rewards
20.02.24	Technology and Safety
27.02.24	Sibling Rivalry and Conflict
05.03.24	Bullying
12.03.24	Special time with your child
19.03.24	Supporting Education and School
26.03.24	Routines and Boundaries
Date	Bitesize Teen (for parents/carers of young people aged 12-19)
07.02.24	Sibling Rivalry and Conflict
14.02.24	Teenage Brain
21.02.24	Supporting Education and School
28.02.24	Mental Health and Wellbeing
06.03.24	Remaining Calm
13.03.24	Drugs and Alcohol
20.03.24	Technology and Safety
27.03.24	Body Image

“I found the agreements and I-statements to be valuable tool to tackle this week. You (the facilitator) have been amazing. Very clear messaging every week.”

– Parent of teenager attending Take 3

Positive Parenting Top Tip!

Special Time – Let's Play

Parents need to juggle a lot of different roles in the family, and we can sometimes overlook playing with our children. Children need our attention, and they will gain that any way they can. Giving more positive attention to your child in positive situations, will reduce the need for them to gain attention through negative situations.

We challenge you to spend a minimum of 10 minutes a day of quality, child led play time with your child. This will help your child's self-esteem, mental and emotional health, social skills, communication skills, relationships, and behaviour issues.

So put down your phones, leave the dishes until later and go and get involved in your child's play, they will love you for it.

Service Spotlight

Parent Carers Cornwall is run by parents and carers and our aim is to support and offer guidance to families who have a child with SEND 0-25 years of age.

Our aim is to gather information from Parent Carers and using these unique shared experiences, we take part in consultations and participation work which helps us to shape the development and delivery of services to our children. We also pass on information to families via a newsletter and e-bulletin, arrange coffee and chat sessions and organise training and workshops for parents.

Support is offered to families to help complete DLA/PIP forms if required.

We are on all social media channels as Parent Carers Cornwall or for any information please contact us through our website

<https://parentcarerscornwall.org.uk/>



New Booking Platform

Parents/carers or professionals can access the parenting offer by visiting www.cornwall.gov.uk/parenting.

Parents/carers or professionals will be able to self-book onto workshops using the parenting booking portal, which can be found at the above website. If a family requires targeted or specialist support, an Early Help Request for help should be made via the Early Help Hub: <http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/earlyhelphub>.

If parents/carers or professionals would like support booking themselves or a parent/carer onto a workshop, they should contact the Early Help Parenting Team using the contact details below. An advice line will be available Monday – Friday, 9am – 5pm to support queries.



Parenting children aged 0 to 11

SELECT A SERVICE

Virtual - Understanding your child (ages 1 to 2) ☐
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2 hours ☐

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2 hours ☐

Further Parenting Support

For further parenting support, including self-help and support from our partner organisations please visit www.cornwall.gov.uk/parenting.

Contact us

Email: parenting@cornwall.gov.uk

Call: 01872 324323

If you would like this information in another format please contact:

Cornwall Council, County Hall, Treyew Road, Truro TR1 3AY

Email: equality@cornwall.gov.uk Telephone: 0300 1234 100



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