## BREAGE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

**JULY 2025** 

Our school vision: to be a caring & loving school where children are equipped to flourish in the real world. We flourish when we help others flourish (Jeremiah 29:4-7)

Arriving on time is important. It allows children to speak with their friends and settle into class ready to start their learning. Late arrivals miss the start of their learning and the instructions needed in order to complete the task and it can also be disruptive to the class when they arrive. Therefore, please drop your child off promptly so that they are present for registration at 8.45am (gate is unlocked at 8.35am). Please also ensure the office is always notified if your child is absent and follow the 48hr clear rule if your child has sickness/diarrhoea.

All school meals should be pre-ordered on ParentPay. Please ensure you order your child's lunch in advance.

#### Request for leave of absence for your child

For any leave of absence from school you are required to complete a "leave of absence/exceptional circumstances request form". This should be done at least 15 school days before the proposed absence takes place. If the absence is unauthorised, Cornwall Council may issue a penalty notice. Penalty notices are issued to each liable parent/carer of each child taken out of school and this carries a fine of £80 if paid within 21 days, increasing to £160 if paid within 28 days (or £160 with no option to pay the lower amount if it is the 2nd penalty notice within a 3 year rolling period. If the fine is unpaid, it may result in legal action being taken against you.

It is the duty of parents to ensure their child's regular attendance at school and failure to do so is an offence under Section 444(1) and Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996. FULL INFORMATION DETAILED ON PAGE 3 & 4 OF THIS NEWSLETTER.

### **CARLEEN & DISTRICT ANNUAL SHOW**

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September. Please see further in the newsletter pages for more information. Lots of child entries available. We're hoping to send in some entries as a school and we will once again be entering the inter-schools competition. If you would like the full list of categories, please ask the school office who can email the pdf to you. **NEEDED: thoroughly clean & dry plastic pots, milk bottles, yoghurt pots etc. Do you have any leftover chicken wire fencing or similar?** 

## STRICTLY NO PARKING ON ZIG ZAGS & PLEASE THINK BEFORE YOU PARK

Please, no matter how briefly, do not park on the yellow zig zag lines or opposite them. Please always park considerately and always think if where you park could cause a danger to pedestrians.

We appreciate parking can be difficult but would ask that you allow a few minutes to park a bit further from the immediate school site and walk down. Thank you.





## **BAGS2SCHOOLS COLLECTION TODAY**

THANK YOU to everyone who supported our fundraiser. We had a fantastic quantity once again and collected 290kg of clothing, shoes etc. Keep collecting as we will regularly book future collections.

## **SCHOOL MEAL BOOKING - PARENTPAY**

Aspire Academy Trust have asked that all schools follow this procedure. We will enforce this from September.

All school lunches must be pre-booked and paid for via ParentPay. If not, your child will receive the default hot pasta option, which can cause distress, especially on themed or favourite meal days. Booking applies to all pupils, including those eligible for free school meals. A copy of the current menu was sent home and is also shown on ParentPay and the school website. If you need help, please contact the school office.

It is parent's responsibility to book their child's school meal if it's required. Meals can be block booked in advance. This will enable teaching to begin promptly each day and will ensure your child receives the meal choice they like.

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## **PARENTS & FRIENDS**



Save the date: 20th September (12-5pm) IT'S BACK - a new alternative Breage School

Fair which will include our wider Breage community. Details are still being finalised including what the event will be named. In the meantime, please save this date.

The P&F storage shed needs a replacement roof - do you know of anyone who might be able to donate new chipboard and felt for the roof?

Please follow the new Parents and Friends of Breage C of E Primary School FB page.

Our Christian values: happiness, respect, care, forgiveness, friendship & honesty



# **Diary Dates**



#### UPDATED: 02/07/2025

1st-2nd July	Year 6 Helston Community College Transition: all Year 6's joining HCC: two days
"	5pm: HCC new parents' information evening
2nd	Mullion School Transition Day
8th	Cornwall Music Service Trust in today instead of Weds due to staff meeting
9th	Helston Community College Teams Meeting for Year 5's and their parents (see email)
17th	Cross Country Event - Coverack School: 3.30pm
17th-18th	Bikeability with DT Sports - Year 5 & 6s
17th-18th	Transition move up day and 2 days of new starter transition mornings until 12pm
21st	Leavers' Service Breage Church: 2pm
22nd	Last Day of Summer Term
23rd	SCHOOL INSET DAY



PARKING ON THE FIELD



#### **REGULAR CLUBS**

Monday: 1.30-3.00pm: Stay & Play toddler group: all welcome from birth to 4 years old Tuesday (lunchtime): Happy Me Club KS1 & KS2: 3.15-4.15pm Tuesday: 3.15-4.15pm: KS1/KS2: Create & Make Club (limited to 15 children) Weds: PE with DT Sports: All classes Weds: 10.30am: Cornwall Music Service Trust (sign up: Flute, Saxophone, Clarinet, Keyboard & Ukulele) (currently a waiting list) Weds: KS1 & KS2: Summer Sports Club Thursday: 3.15-4.15pm: KS1 & KS2: Singing Club Thursday: 3.15-4.00pm: Booster Year 6 sessions: selected children: parents will be contacted





Dear Parents/Carer

#### Department of Education changes to Attendance

Updates to the Department for Education (DfE) statutory guidance on school attendance, most notably around penalty notices issued for absenteeism and irregular school attendance, took effect from this academic year.

As you know, leave during term time cannot be authorised by Heads of School unless there are 'exceptional' circumstances. This is in accordance with the Department for Education (DfE) legislation and the Aspire Attendance Policy.

Before booking leave, we strongly advise you to speak to the Head of School, particularly if you are unsure as to whether your request is deemed 'exceptional'. Where Heads of School are not able to authorise, you may be at risk of a penalty notice, in line with Local Authority guidance.

From this academic year, updated DfE statutory guidance sets out the new National Framework for issuing penalty notices and there are some changes you should be aware of. The penalty notice costs issued by the Local Authority have risen to £80 (if paid within 21 days) increasing to £160 if paid between days 22-28. If the penalty notice is not paid, the Local Authority can consider prosecution under Section 444(1) of the Education Act 1996. Penalty notices are issued on a per parent, per child basis.

#### IMPORTANT: Individual schools may refer absences to the LA who then issue penalty notices (each case is looked at individually). It is not the school/trust issuing penalty notices to parents, and any monies generated from these fines remain within the Local Authority to provide attendance support.

The government has changed the guidance around how many penalty notices can be issued to a parent. The new guidance states that only 2 penalty notices can be issued to a parent in respect of a particular pupil, within a rolling three-year period.

The first penalty notice costs are as outlined above. If a second penalty notice is issued, this is at a flat rate of £160. A third penalty notice cannot be issued and instead consideration must be given to alternative action, including prosecution.

If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. Your child's school may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £80 if paid within 21 days or £160 if paid after this but within 28 days.

If your child is further absent from school without authorisation within any 3-year period, you will be committing a further offence under the Education Act 1996. Your child's school may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices for a second offence are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £160, payable within 28 days.



Importantly, fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action such as a parenting order or prosecution will be considered.

Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may also result in legal action. If you are prosecuted and attend court because your child has not been attending school, you could get a fine of up to £2,500. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.

Absence not authorised by the school may also result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Again, Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.

Money raised from fines is only used by the local authority to cover the costs of administering the system, and to fund attendance support. Any extra money is returned to the government.

'Parent' as set out in Section 576 of the Education Act 1996, defines parent to include: natural parents, whether they are married or not; any person or body who has parental responsibility for a child (as defined by the Children Act 1989) and; any person who, although not a natural parent, has care of a child. Having care of a child means a person with whom a child lives and who looks after a child, irrespective of what their relationship is with said child.

With regards to the day-to-day attendance procedure within your child's school, there will be little noticeable change. If your child is absent for any reason, we will still ask you to contact the school office by 9am and staff will continue to regularly communicate home the importance of attendance, through the school newsletter, letters via email and/or face-to-face conversations.

If you are worried about your child's attendance, please talk to your child's class teacher or the Head of School at the earliest opportunity so we can work with you quickly and effectively to support positive change.

Thank you for your ongoing support

Aspire Admin





## Saturday 13th September 2025 AT CARLEEN VILLAGE HALL

TR13 9QP Doors Open at 2.45pm Presentation of Prizes at 4.30pm

Chairpersons: Mrs V. Treloar, Trenerth, Carleen, Helston TR13 9NP Tel: 01736 762314

Mrs W. Richards, Tregea, Carleen, Helston TR13 9QT Tel: 01736 762915

Show Secretaries: Members of the village hall committee and friends

Entries to be sent to the Chairpersons - Mrs V. Treloar or Mrs W Richards wendyshallcross@btinternet.com by Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September

Admission fee: £1 - Children Free

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE AFTERNOON

#### RULES

- 1. Any entry must have been grown by or be the work of the Exhibitor Not previously exhibited at Carleen Show
- 2. Exhibitors may enter only ONE entry in any one class.
- STAGING: <u>All staging must be completed by 10.30 a.m.</u> on the day of Show. Judging to commence at 10.45 a.m. Exhibits cannot be removed until prizegiving is completed.
- In a case of shortage of space when staging, exhibits may be moved only by a Steward, not other exhibitors.
- The hall will be open from 7.00-9.00 p.m. on Friday for exhibitors and at 8.00 a.m. on day of Show.
- 6. ENTRANCE FEES: Adults and Children 20p per exhibit
- Cash prizes will be awarded in Children's classes only. 1<sup>st</sup> £2.00 - 2<sup>nd</sup> £1.50 - 3<sup>rd</sup> £1.00
- 8. Prize cards will be awarded for 1st., 2nd., 3rd., In each class.
- 9. Points will be awarded thus: 3 for 1st, 2 for 2nd, 1 for 3rd.
- The decision of the Judges will be final. They may withhold prizes if the exhibits are not worthy.
- The Committee will take ordinary care of the Exhibits but will not be Responsible for any loss or damage that may occur.
- Cups are the perpetual property of the Show and must be returned to the Secretaries cleaned and in good condition by <u>1<sup>st</sup> August 2026</u>

FOR REASONS OF SECURITY NO EXHIBITS TO BE REMOVED UNTIL PRIZEGIVING IS OVER. PLEASE CO-OPERATE IN THIS.

EXHIBITORS PLEASE READ SCHEDULE CAREFULLY ESPECIALLY RULES APPLYING IN EACH SECTION.

#### **SECTION L. - CHILDREN**

#### Judge: Mrs. R. Treloar

Age in years and months to be clearly stated on each exhibit. Any exhibit with name will be disqualified. Prize money -  $1^{st} \pounds 2.00 - 2^{nd} \pounds 1.50 - 3^{rd} - \pounds 1.00$ 

- 132. Painting Bugs or Butterflies, up to 6 years.
- 133. Painting Bugs or Butterflies, 6 8 years inclusive.
- 134. Painting Bugs or Butterflies, 9 11 years inclusive.
- 135. Drawing Your Favourite Animal or Pet, any medium, up to 6 years.
- 136. Drawing Your Favourite Animal or Pet, any medium, 6-8yrs inclusive.
- 137. Drawing Your Favourite Animal or Pet, any medium, 9-11yrs inclusive.
- 138. Animal made from vegetable(s) up to 6 years.
- 139. Animal made from vegetable(s) 6 8 years inclusive.
- 140. Animal made from vegetable(s) 9 11 years inclusive.
- 141. Any Miniature Garden up to 6 years.
- 142. Any Miniature Garden 6 8 years inclusive.
- 143. Animal Mask 9 11 years inclusive.
- 144. Edible Jewellery or Adornment up to 6 years.
- 145. Edible Jewellery or Adornment 6 8 years inclusive.
- 146. Edible Jewellery or Adornment 9 11 years inclusive.
- 147. Gingerbread Person up to 6 years.
- 148. Gingerbread Person 6 8 years inclusive.
- 149. Gingerbread Person 9 11 years inclusive.
- 150. Any Handicraft over 11 years.