



"Learning that lasts a lifetime"

## HEAD'S BLOG...

Another week, another Covid-related announcement. Hopefully, you will have seen the most recent Public Health announcement regarding significant number of positive cases in under 18's, and their recommendations.

In response we have:

- Continued with masks
- Ceased our face to face assemblies.
- Continuing phased breaktimes and playtimes
- Revised lunch sittings to reduce mixing
- Continuing with enhanced cleaning of high contact points
- Reminding staff and families to self-test using LFD tests twice weekly

We also ask that you consider wearing face coverings when in and around school to limit transmission and keep children at home and access a PCR test if they are showing any symptoms.

Despite all of this, we are still ensuring delivery of a broad and balanced curriculum. We have completed a planned review of our Be Bold curriculum to ensure we make the most of learning time. If you want to check out what your child is learning this half term [click here](#) .

Ms Carmichael

### Coronavirus reminder

If your child develops any symptoms of Coronavirus (persistent cough, high temperature or loss of taste / smell), s/he MUST NOT come to school and school must be informed. Call 119 or get a test online at:

<https://self-referral.test-for-coronavirus.service.gov.uk/antigen/name>

If you believe that your child is well enough to attend school and they have only symptoms of a 'common cold' such as: runny nose, sore throat or a mild cough they are permitted to attend.

**NB: All absences must be reported to our school office by calling 01726 64322. You can leave a message if outside of office hours. Please DO NOT report absences via Class Dojo. Thank you.**

**Polite reminder: School gates / doors open at 8:45am. Please do not enter until this time as your child may not be supervised and we cannot ensure their safety.**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### 2021/22 Autumn Term Diary Dates:

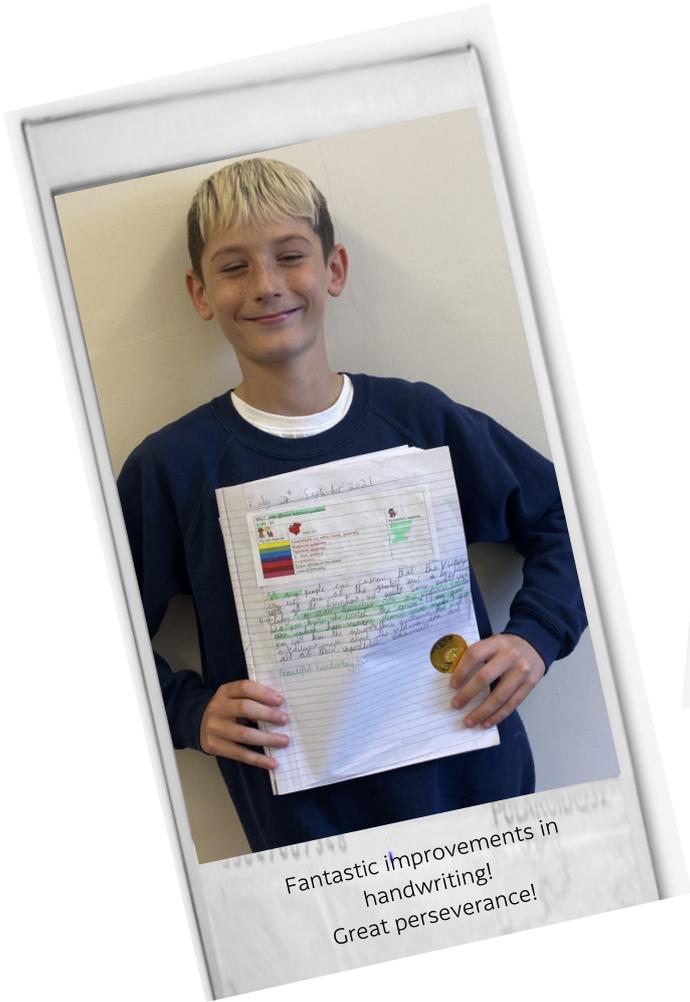
Tues 12th/Wed 13th Oct—Y6 Penrice open days (appointment needed)

Mon 25th Oct—Fri 29th Oct 21—Half term

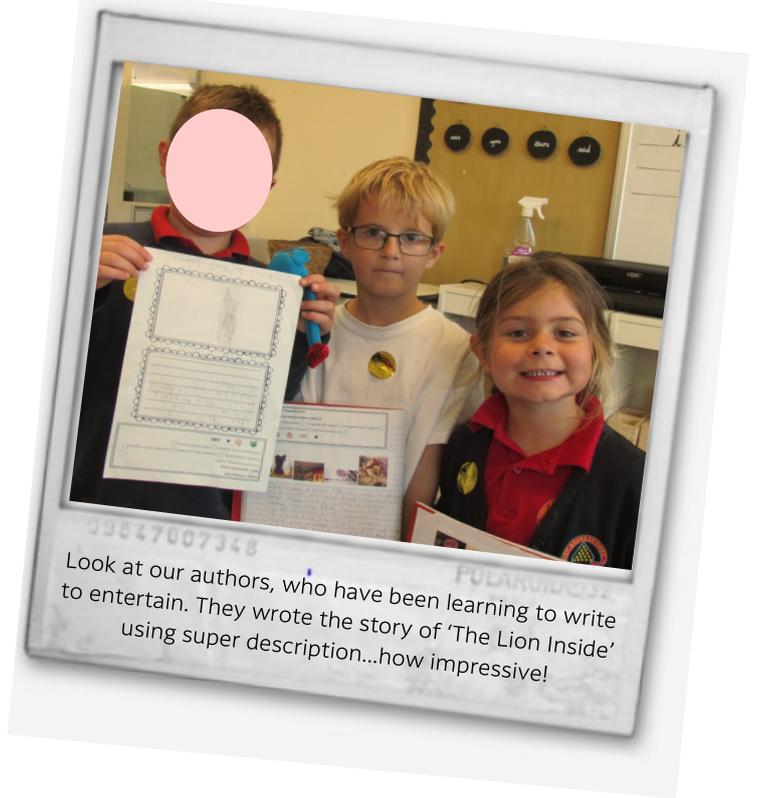
### 2021/22 Inset Days:

Mon 1st Nov 2021 / Mon 25th Jul 2022 / Tues 26th Jul 2022

# FANTASTIC WORK



Fantastic improvements in handwriting!  
Great perseverance!



Look at our authors, who have been learning to write to entertain. They wrote the story of 'The Lion Inside' using super description...how impressive!



Thank you for showing respect and caring for our school environment. Well done!



Y3 & Y4 have been writing letters home as if they have been living in the Stone Age.



This week's achievers

Little Doves

Archie

For constant perseverance with blending sounds together to form words.

Little Fish

Lacey

For consistently reading at home—you superstar!

Little Lambs

Ethan

For making fantastic progress in reading and always reading at home.

Peacocks

Ebony

For having such a fantastic attitude to reading both at home and within class too!

Pelicans

Sophie

For continuing to read lots at home and working hard to achieve her AR target.

Phoenix

Helena

For her incredible reading. Helena reads fluently, answers questions in Guided Reading and has been smashing her quizzes on AR.

Angels

William

For showing a wonderful commitment to developing a love of reading and showing your ability effortlessly in lessons and quizzes!

Faith

Sophie

For always contributing to our reading lessons and showing empathy towards the characters in our class book.

Hope

Koby

For challenging himself with the archaic language during our class book Street Child.

# OTHER NOTICES

## School Admissions

The online application process for Starting School, Transfer to Junior School and Transfer to Secondary School for September 2022 has now started. Detailed information about the admissions process is available online or on request from the School Admissions Team.

Please ensure you name **more than one preference**. It will not mean less chance of securing place at your preferred school. Please note that if you do not apply on time, your preferred school's may already be full.

If you need support with your application process, please contact the office, the Family Information Service (0800 587 8191) or School Admissions Team (0300 1234 101).

Information Classification: CONTROLLED



Dear Parents and Carers,

Managing COVID-19 cases is becoming increasingly challenging for schools, early years providers and colleges in Cornwall.

In the week ending September 24, 2021, under 18s accounted for 50% of all cases in Cornwall. Therefore, I am writing to education settings to offer advice and guidance so that we work together to try and bring these case numbers down.

At the start of the pandemic, we all adopted the 'Hands, Face, Space' guidance. These simple steps helped reduce the spread of the virus - where possible we should continue to follow them.

Washing your hands with soap and water for 20 seconds or using hand sanitiser are easy and effective tools to stop the spread of COVID and other infections such as colds and norovirus.

It's also a good idea to try and maintain social distancing when you're picking up or dropping off children at school. If you can't do that, please wear a face covering to help keep both yourself and those around you safe.

I will be asking headteachers in Cornwall to consider their guidance about the use of face coverings, particularly in shared spaces such as corridors and lunchrooms. We will also be asking them to consider measures to reduce mixing between different groups in school.

All the above measures will help reduce transmission of the virus and keep as many young people in education as possible.

Finally, I once again urge everyone who is eligible to get vaccinated against COVID-19. The vaccine is available for anyone over the age of 12. You can find more information at [www.kernowccg.nhs.uk/your-health/coronavirus/covid-19-vaccine/faqs/](http://www.kernowccg.nhs.uk/your-health/coronavirus/covid-19-vaccine/faqs/)

### If you have symptoms:

Self-isolate straight away and get a **PCR test (a test that is sent to the lab)** on [GOV.UK](http://GOV.UK) as soon as possible if you have any of these three symptoms of COVID-19, even if they are mild:

- a high temperature.
- a new, continuous cough.
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste.

Or if your child has a sore throat, fatigue and headaches (which are all common Covid symptoms in younger people).

You should also self-isolate straight away if:

- You've tested positive for COVID-19 either according to a PCR test or a lateral flow device test – this means you have the virus.
- If you get a positive LFD test you should book a PCR test. A negative PCR test will override a positive LFD test and allow you back to school.

[Find out what to do if you're told to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace or the NHS COVID-19 app.](#)

As the numbers fluctuate across Cornwall it is important that we all play our part in helping to reduce the transmission of COVID-19. This guidance is not new, but all these measures are valuable tools in helping us to win the battle.

Thank you for your help.

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## Stop the spread of Covid-19 in schools

**Wear a face covering in communal areas**



**Wash your hands regularly**



**Take a PCR test if you have symptoms**

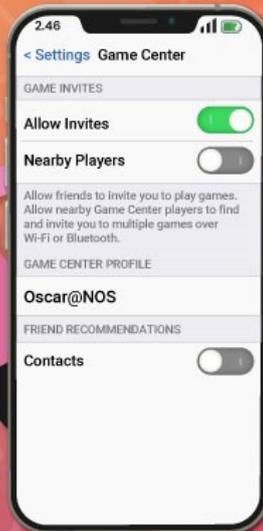


# ONLINE SAFETY

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## How to Set up PARENTAL CONTROLS for APPS iPhone

Apple devices come with built-in apps already available: Mail, FaceTime and Safari, for example. However, you can choose which apps and Features appear on your child's device and which ones don't. You can also manipulate the features in Game Centre to enhance your child's safety and privacy when playing games, as well as blocking iTunes or App Store purchases if you wish.



### How to Restrict Built-in Apps/Features

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap Allowed Apps (you may need to toggle this to 'on' at the top)
- 5 Enable or disable the apps you wish to appear (or disappear) on your child's device

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- 4 Tap Content Restrictions (you may need to switch the toggle at the top to the 'on' position)
- 5 Scroll down to Game Centre
- 6 Choose between Allow, Don't Allow, or Allow with Friends Only in the settings for each feature

### How to Restrict iTunes & App Store Purchases

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap iTunes & App Store Purchases
- 5 Select Allow or Don't Allow for each feature (you can also lock these settings with a password)



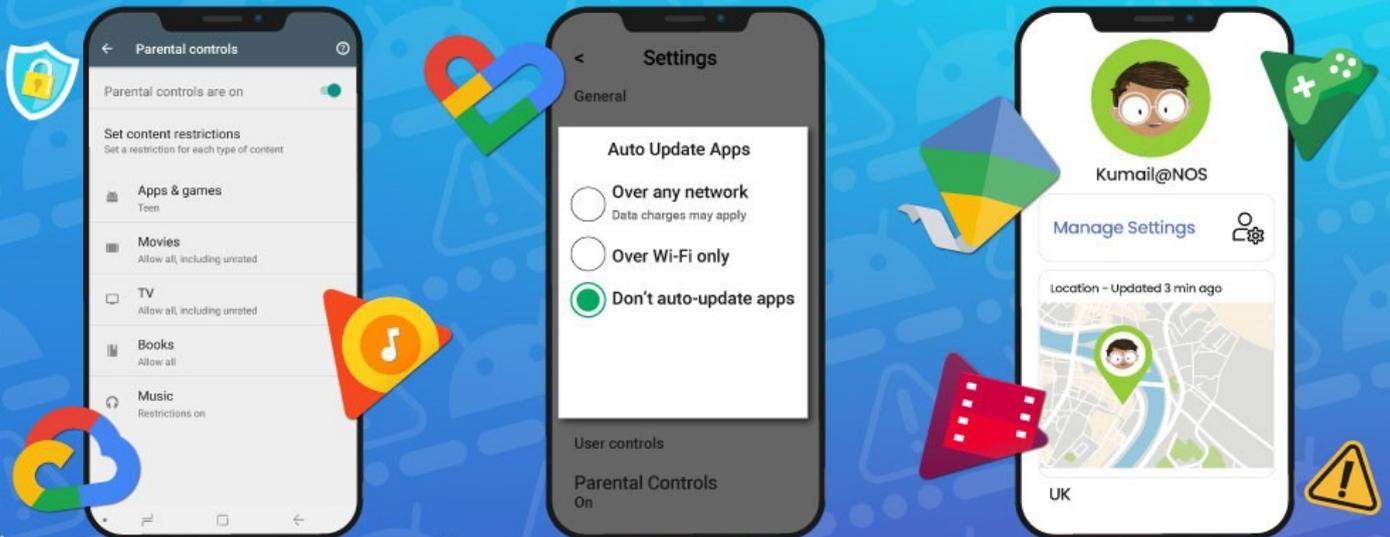
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## How to Set up PARENTAL CONTROLS for APPS Android Phone

On Android phones, restricting access to particular apps usually requires going onto Google Play. From there, it's fairly easy to navigate your way through the settings to manage the parental controls and authentications relating to any apps on the device. These features can prevent your child from downloading or buying anything unsuitable for their age. Updated versions of apps or games that your child has already installed may occasionally contain something inappropriate, so we've explained how to stop those, too.



### How to Block App Downloads (This Also Disables In-app Purchases):

- 1 Open Google Play Store
- 2 Tap the profile icon in the top right
- 3 Tap Settings
- 4 Scroll down to the Family section and tap Parental controls
- 5 Toggle 'Parental controls are off' to 'Parental controls are on'
- 6 Create a PIN and tap OK
- 7 Confirm your PIN and tap OK again
- 8 Tap Apps & Games
- 9 Set the age limit you wish to set
- 10 Tap Save to apply your changes

### How to Stop Auto-updates

- 1 Open Google Play Store
- 2 Tap the profile icon in the top right
- 3 Tap Settings
- 4 Tap Auto-Update Apps
- 5 Select 'Don't auto-update apps' and then tap Done

### Restricting Apps Through Google Family Link

- 1 Open Google Play Family Link for parents
- 2 Tap the three horizontal lines in the top left
- 3 Select your child's account
- 4 Tap Manage
- 5 Tap Controls on Google Play
- 6 Tap Apps & Games
- 7 Select the age limit you wish to set



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