

CURNOW SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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STAFF UPDATE

We are delighted to welcome Florence to the Curnow School team as our new Rock Teacher!



HEADTEACHERS NEWS



A very warm welcome back to all our pupils, families and staff at Curnow School. We hope everyone had an enjoyable break and are feeling refreshed and ready for the new term ahead, although I can't believe we are already 3 weeks in! We would especially like to welcome all of our new pupils and their families who are joining the Curnow School community this term. We are delighted to have you with us and hope that you quickly feel happy, settled and very much part of our school family.

There is lots to look forward to over the coming weeks. We are sure the term will be filled with exciting activities, new experiences, achievements and plenty of fantastic learning across Lower School, Upper School and Karder. We look forward to celebrating all the wonderful things our pupils accomplish throughout the term and sharing some of those special moments with families along the way. We hope everyone has a happy, successful and exciting term.

Rob Armstrong
Headteacher

UPCOMING EVENTS

28TH SEPTEMBER

IMMUNISATION CLINIIC - UPPER

2ND OCTOBER

FLU IMMUNISATIONS - LOWER

8TH OCTOBER

PARENT COFFEE MORNING

8TH OCTOBERSTUDENT PHOTOS - LOWER &
KARDER**9TH OCTOBER**

STUDENT PHOTOS UPPER

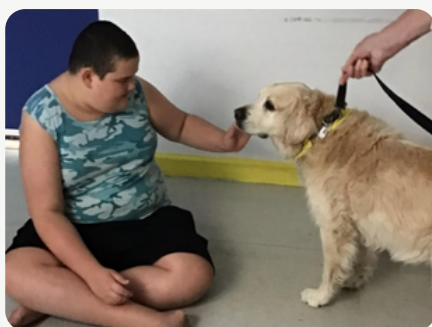
23RD OCTOBERCSA RECRUITMENT COFFEE
MORNING**26TH OCTOBER**

HALF TERM

Curnow School
Drump Road
REDRUTH
TR16 4SW
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UPPER OUTDOOR LEARNING AREA

Over the summer, work began on our exciting new outdoor classroom, and we are delighted to share that it has now been completed. We can't wait to make full use of this fantastic new learning space. Students have already been busy exploring the area and are thoroughly enjoying the opportunities it provides for outdoor learning, discovery, and creativity. We look forward to seeing the many ways this wonderful resource will enhance learning across the school.



Good news! Barney the PAT Dog has returned to school. We are excited to have him back as part of our school community, where he will continue to support students' wellbeing and help create a calm and positive environment.



Regular sessions in the hydrotherapy pool provide students with a fantastic opportunity to develop their swimming skills, improve mobility and coordination, and enjoy the many therapeutic benefits of being in the water.

MEDICAL TRACKER

Please can we remind all parents that we use Medical Tracker to manage our students' medical needs. If your child's medication or medical requirements change, please email medical@curnowschool.org.uk as soon as possible so that we can update the system accordingly. Keeping this information up to date helps us ensure that medication is administered safely and smoothly throughout the school day. Thank you for your support.

ATTENDANCE

School Attendance Key Information



We look forward to working with you all to ensure that your child attends school as much as possible this academic year. We have a very good track record of attendance at Curnow School, with our headline figures consistently coming above the national average for special schools. In order to support with this we ask that you -



REPORTING AN ABSENCE

Report all absences as soon as you know that your child will be absent, providing the reason for absence and if possible the expected return date (we completely understand that this is not always possible).



APPOINTMENTS

Endeavour to keep appointments out of school time (again we understand that this is not always possible) and bring your child in to school for part of the day, either before or after appointments, if this is geographically possible and will not adversely affect your child's wellbeing.



HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME

Refrain from booking holidays in school term time. Any school leave required during term time must be requested using the exceptional circumstance term time absence request form, this form can be requested from school or downloaded from the website. This will be reviewed by the Head teacher to determine whether it will be authorised or unauthorised.



KEEPING US INFORMED

Keep us informed of any issues with attendance so that we can support wherever we are able and work together to ensure that your child attends school as much as possible.

The teacher in charge of attendance is Sam Murray who can be contacted on smurray@curnowschool.org.uk.



QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS?

If you have any concerns about your child's attendance, please speak to us. We're here to help and work with you.

Sam Murray - Attendance Lead
✉ smurray@curnowschool.org.uk

☀ Learn Makaton Together! ☀

Each month, we will be introducing a new Makaton sign for families to learn and practise at home alongside our students. This is a wonderful way to support communication and help reinforce the signs being used throughout the school.

 This month's Makaton sign is: SCHOOL

We encourage everyone to have a go and use the sign in everyday conversations. Learning together helps build confidence, understanding, and communication skills for all.

Look out for next month's sign in our newsletter!



Coffee Morning

Communication with symbols

Thursday 8th October 9.30 - 12.30
Upper School



We warmly invite you to join us for an informal coffee morning with Cori Green, Jen Davies, and Kate Ford. During the session, we will explore how symbols can support communication and discuss practical ways they are used both in school and at home.

This is a great opportunity to meet other parents and carers, ask questions, share experiences, and learn more about supporting communication.

Get Involved!

CSA Recruitment Coffee Morning
On Friday 23rd October, we will be holding a CSA (Curnow School Association) Recruitment Coffee Morning.

We are looking for enthusiastic parents and carers to join the CSA and help support our school community. The CSA plays an important role in raising funds for resources, activities, and special projects, as well as organising events throughout the year for our students and families to enjoy.

Whether you can offer a little time or a lot, we would love to hear from you. Come along for a coffee, meet other parents, and find out how you can get involved in making a difference at Curnow School.

Everyone is welcome, and we look forward to seeing you there!



Kehelland College.
Open Evening
Thursday 22nd October
4:00pm-7:00pm

Please come along if you are interested in finding out more about our Post 16 SEND education courses. Tutors and education staff will be available to discuss options and next steps.
No booking required.

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Staff vacancies

We are looking for dedicated Teaching Assistants to join our wonderful school team. If you know someone who is passionate about supporting young people and making a real difference, please share this opportunity with them. We'd love to hear from enthusiastic and caring individuals who would like to be part of our school community.

Please see school website for how to apply.



YOU'RE INVITED
TO OUR
10
Year
Anniversary Celebrations

SATURDAY 10th OCTOBER 2026
FROM 6-10PM
Bar - Food - Live Music
Family celebration 12-4pm
Gwealan Tops Adventure Playground
School Lane, Redruth, TR15 2ER

Please RSVP if attending by 25th Sept
managere@gwealantops.org



FREE TEATIME COMMUNITY MEAL
A warm welcome with tasty hot food and great company!
No referral or voucher needed
All diets catered for

MENU THIS TERM

- Weds 16th Sept - Bolognese Jacket Potatoes
- Weds 23rd Sept - Cauli Chickpea Curry
- Weds 30th Sept - Fish & Chips
- Wed 7th Oct - Spaghetti Meatballs
- Wed 14th Oct - Tuna Pasta Bake
- Wed 21st Oct - Bean Hash

Everyone's welcome!

Doors open at 4.30pm, meal served at 5pm

To book please email box@gwealantops.org
by midday on Tuesday (the day before)

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