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Dear Parents and Carers,

As the Temperature Drops...

There is no doubt that the weather has turned and autumn now feels firmly behind us, with colder winds and plenty of wet weather signalling the arrival of winter. We always make every effort to ensure children can enjoy time outdoors at lunchtime, although occasionally conditions mean we need to have wet play indoors instead. To help us continue making the most of outdoor learning opportunities, whether that be walking to swimming lessons, riding their bikes, visits to Forest School, trips into town, or adventures out on the moor, please ensure our children come to school with a warm, waterproof coat and, where appropriate, a hat. Being suitably dressed helps us get outside as often as possible, whatever the weather.

School Council Update – Working Together for Safer Parking

Our School Council has identified that parking outside our school at drop-off and pick-up times is currently unsafe, and they are taking action to help fix it.
To mark Road Safety Awareness Week, our fantastic School Council representatives have already been out on traffic patrol for a few shifts at the start and end of the school day this week, handing out child-designed "parking tickets" to remind drivers of the rules.

We strongly encourage all families to help us keep our children safe by parking responsibly:

- Avoid parking on double yellow lines – keeping these clear helps maintain the flow of traffic and keeps visibility clear for children crossing.
- Leave disabled bays clear for blue badge holders.
- Consider walking, cycling, or using a "park and stride" approach by parking a short distance away at Splash or Co-op and walking the rest of the way.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and support in keeping our school community safe!

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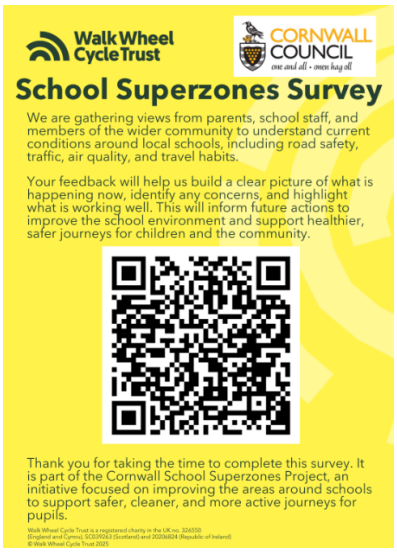
Travel Survey

Have your say on travel and safety around our local schools!
Cornwall Council and the Walk Wheel Cycle Trust want to hear from parents, school staff, and members of our local community!
We're running the School Superzones Survey to better understand current conditions around schools—including:

* Road safety & traffic conditions
* Air quality
*Everyday travel habits

Your feedback will help us identify what's working well, highlight key concerns, and inform future actions to build safer, cleaner, and healthier environments for our children.

How to take part:
Scan the QR code in the image or tap the link below to complete the short survey:
https://letstalk.cornwall.gov.uk/.../school-superzones...
Thank you for helping us make journeys to school safer and more active for everyone!



Autumn 2 - PE days				
Monday	**Tuesday**	**Wednesday**	**Thursday**	**Friday**
Year 4 – Bikeability Year 3 (inside)	Poppy Class	Year 6 (inside)	Year 4 (inside) Year 3 (outside)	Poppy Class Year 5 – Bikeability Year 6 – Bikeability

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Monday Rugby for Years 5&6

There are still a few sessions left if you'd like to try rugby! We're going to start learning proper tackle technique as well as the essential skills and drills, and of course a match every session. The games will be touch rugby but this is the perfect opportunity to learn how to tackle safely. There'll also be a prize at the end for best player!

Diary dates

WC 23rd November	Year 5 Swimming - ***Consent and pay on ParentPay***
24th November	Poppy swimming - ***Consent on ParentPay***
1&2nd December	Y6 Church visits – Summerleaze – 1st / Duckpool – 2nd
Tuesday 1st December	Poppy Class Trip – ***Consent on ParentPay***
Thursday 10th December	PTA Sparkle Disco **– Sign up on ParentPay**
Friday 11th December	Y5 Victorian day
Friday 18th December – From 2pm	Parents / Carers invited to our annual carol concert End of term
Monday 4th January	Children return to school for Spring term
25th – 26th February 2027	Year 3 – Plymouth Aquarium Residential
29th – 30th April 2027	Year 4 – Plymouth Aquarium Residential
14th – 18th June 2027	Year 6 - Porthpean Outdoors Residential ***Additional spaces available on request***
26th June 2028	Year 5 (will be Year 6) - Porthpean Outdoors Residential ***Deposit due 6 February – pay on ParentPay***

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Christmas Lunch Wednesday 16th December

We are preparing for our Junior School Christmas Lunch, which will be served on **Wednesday 16th December 2026**. To ensure we place the correct food order, please let us know whether your child will be having a school meal that day.

Meal Options: Please indicate if your child will be having a school meal and choose either the **meat**, **vegetarian**, **pasta or jacket potato** option. *(Please note baguettes will not be available on this day.)*

Packed Lunches: If your child is bringing a packed lunch from home, please select **No** on the form.

Charges: Children will still confirm their meal order in class on the day. If you select 'Yes' now, you will not be charged if your child decides not to have the meal on the day.

Please complete the form below for each child by **Monday 30th November**

Christmas Lunch Wednesday 16th December 2026 – Fill in form



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Food Pantry

As we head into the festive season, we are reaching out to ask for your help in restocking our school food pantry. As many of you know, the pantry is here to support our entire school community during times of financial pressure—something any of us can experience.

Over the past year, the pantry has been completely self-sufficient thanks to your incredible generosity, allowing us to support local families almost every week.

If you are able to spare a little extra during your next shop, we would be very grateful for donations of the following items:

- Pasta
- Rice or couscous
- Cereal
- Tinned vegetables and beans
- Tinned fruit
- Custard and rice pudding
- Tinned fish or meat
- Jam
- Jelly
- Snacks
- Tea, coffee, and hot chocolate



As always, thank you so much for your ongoing kindness and support.

Any donations can be handed into the school offices

Need a helping hand? If your family—or someone you know in our school community—could benefit from the pantry, please do not hesitate to get in touch. You can contact me directly at **emma.thomas@budeprimary.org** or by calling or texting **07772 296182**. All requests are treated in the strictest confidence.

Warm wishes,

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PTA Christmas Sparkle Disco

Get ready to celebrate the festive season at the Bude Juniors PTA Christmas Sparkle Disco on Thursday 10th December!
We invite all pupils to dress to impress and sparkle their best for an afternoon of holiday fun.

Year 3 and Year 4 will party straight after school from 3:20pm to 4:15pm, followed by Year 5 and Year 6 from 4:30pm to 5:30pm.
Tickets are £2 per child and must be booked and paid for in advance via ParentPay.
We can't wait to see everyone on the dance floor!



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Ready for the water? Free swimming trials with Bude Sharks!

Living right here on the coast, strong swimming skills and water confidence are essential for every young person. If your child loves being in the pool and wants to take their skills beyond basic lessons, Bude Sharks is inviting local students to come along for a free trial session!
We are a friendly, local club where swimmers of all ages can build stamina, make great friends outside of school, and learn from qualified coaches—whether they want to swim for fun and fitness or try out competitive galas.

Want to give it a go?
Scan the QR code on the flyer to head to our website and arrange a quick assessment with our coaching team. Come and join the squad!"



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