



Newsletter



12th March 2021

WELCOME BACK

Dear Parents and Carers

The children have made a great start back this week. Whilst we are mindful of the impact of so much time away from school, it's clear that the majority of children have jumped straight back in to the routine and expectation and seem to be delighted to be back learning with their friends.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your efforts with home learning throughout lockdown. The expectation for children to continue learning was challenging and we appreciate that at times this became stressful for all concerned. Parents, children, support staff and teachers all did a superb job.

Some of you may remember from autumn term that we had put plans in place to try and accelerate progress in core subjects in order to catch up on learning that children had missed. Those plans have been refined in light of this lockdown. However, I would like to reassure you that children are still learning from a broad curriculum of activities that includes Super learning days and special events as well as the daily PE lesson. We still want and need school to be engaging and enjoyable for everybody.

We are still very aware in school of the ongoing risks that we face. We have strict systems in place and we will all be working to make sure that we consistently adhere to them to ensure everyone's safety. If you have concerns or questions about any aspect of provision, then please don't hesitate to contact me. Parental feedback has already led to improvements in organisation this week.

Great to have everyone back and to be getting on with it!

Jeremy Walden

"You have brains in your
head. You have feet in your
shoes. You can steer yourself,
any direction you choose."

~ Dr Seuss ~

Special Mentions

Reception Class	Whole class award for settling back into school so well and making all the teachers in Reception class really proud! It has been wonderful seeing all the children playing so nicely with their friends again.
Year 1	Whole class award for adapting back to semi-normal school life! You've settled in so very well and have been working really hard.
Year 2	Whole class award for settling back in to class so well. Lexton for working hard in handwriting and keeping focussed on concentrating carefully in English. Poppy, for being such a fantastic role model to everyone in the class.
Year 3	It goes without saying that this week's Special Mention goes to the whole of Year 3. There has been a lot of adjustment from all children whether they have been in school or at home. It has been wonderful seeing all the children together again. They have engaged and participated well in all their lessons with great enthusiasm and it has been lovely seeing their smiley faces coming in through the door. Well done Year 3!
Year 4	Whole class award for coming back to school positively and for working hard this week! Well done Year 4.
Year 5	Congratulations to ALL of Year 5 for returning to school so brilliantly – you clearly missed us a lot! In particular, well done to Brooke T for giving Prime Numbers in maths such a good go this week. I am also super impressed with Riley R who has returned full of beans and enthusiasm! It is so lovely to have you all back.
Year 6	Whole class award for settling back so very well. Special Mentions to Liam and Sophie for returning to school with a brilliant attitude to their learning. They have both had a really impressive week back

School Meals

A reminder that school meals should be ordered by midnight each Sunday for the following week. This is so Mrs Whitford can order the correct amount of food for the week. It saves waste and of course, under ordering.

Meals are priced at £2.30 each. If your child is in KS1 or entitled to Free School Meals, you will not be charged on Parent Pay.

If you think your child should be entitled to Free School Meals, there is a form to complete in the school office. If you'd like a form, please email reception@roche.cornwall.sch.uk.



Comic Relief takes place on 19th March (next Friday). This year we are asking children to wear non-uniform on that day and also to design a funny face mask! Designs can be Comic Relief themed, have a funny joke on them or just something to make us laugh!

Please design them at home then take a photograph of it and send to reception@roche.cornwall.sch.uk with the subject line "(Name of child) Face Mask Entry Year (-)" by Thursday 18th March at 12pm. There is a prize for the winner of each class! Please do not bring your designs to school.

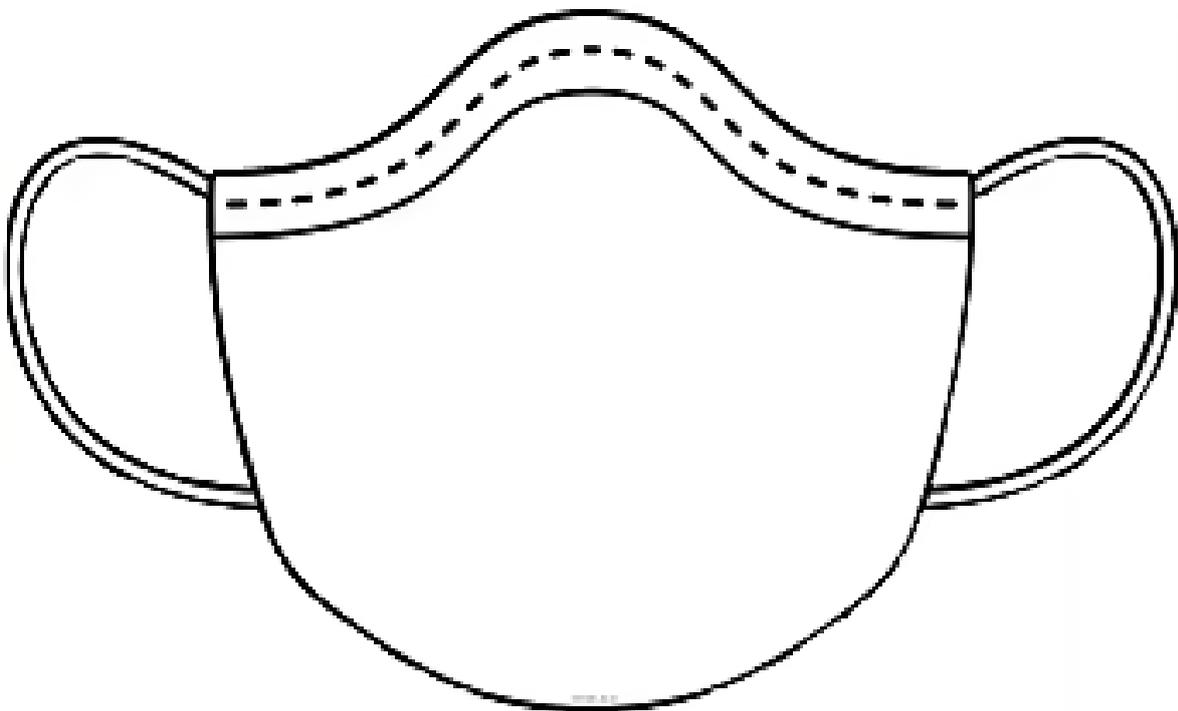
We have a Comic Relief donation page on Parent Pay. Please **do not give any cash** in on the day – it must go through Parent Pay.

The link to donate is: <https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=2888>

Feel free to use the template below for your mask design.

We are looking forward to seeing all of your creative entries.

Design Your Own Face Mask Art Activity



Water Bottles

A reminder that the school water bottles should contain water only. If your child has squash, this should be put in a separate bottle for them to have at break and lunch times.



Stainless steel style bottles are not permitted in school.



A huge CONGRATULATIONS to Olivia and Riley in Year 4 who completed the 'Story' section of Numbots over lockdown!

An absolutely amazing achievement!

Well done!



Provisional Changes

Teachers will no longer be using class email addresses **unless** children are shielding or isolating at home. Thank you for all the correspondence over Lockdown. We hope you found this way of communication beneficial.

Please email any questions, information or concerns to: reception@roche.cornwall.sch.uk or head@roche.cornwall.sch.uk

Windows are being opened lots more in classes, even when it is cold. This is to help with the air circulation. Please bare this in mind and always send your child in with their jumper/hoody/cardigan.

As a staff we have agreed that we all feel happy that 'Live Green Pen Marking' can be reinstated in classrooms by adults. Staff will still not be collecting in books at the end of the day or taking books home to mark.

Tilly's Diary

Hi all! I am super happy to be back at school! I'm so thrilled to see all my friends again!

On Wednesday I went to Brynn Hill Doggy Daycare for the day! I had such a wonderful time! I played with my friend Lewis who is a Great Dane!

When I came back to school, I was very tired! I love running up and down the field with my friends. It's tiring when your legs are not as long as a Great Danes! Mrs George wrapped me in a towel and I had a big sleep next to the radiator!

If you have a pet dog who would like to have lots of fun, look at www.brynnhill.co.uk or search Brynn Hill Doggy Daycare on Facebook! Who knows, there may be a picture of me on there!

*I can't wait to go again! I think Lewis and I may go for a paddle in their pond!
Love Tilly x*