

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Dear parents/carers,

I hope that you and your families are all safe and well. On behalf of myself and all the staff at Connor Downs Academy, I would like to thank you all for your support over the past term. We hope that you will all have a very Happy Easter holiday and make the most of spending time with family and friends and hopefully enjoying some lovely warm spring days!



At the end of each term, we produce a termly newsletter encompassing all the exciting and engaging work that has taken place in classes during this term. This year, each class has produced their own 'newsletter' which can be accessed using the following link. Please do take the time to have a look at all the amazing work happening across the academy:

[Spring 2022 Termly Newsletter](#)



## **Year 5 – The National Lobster Hatchery, Padstow**

On Tuesday, the Year 5 outdoor learning group visited The National Lobster Hatchery in Padstow. This is one of the few marine biology laboratories in the world that is open to visitors. The children were given a tour of the facilities, including a talk from a microbiologist about the life cycle of these amazing creatures. They were able to see the fascinating progression from lobster egg to adult. They learned about their conservation and research work, the wider

marine environment and why we should protect it. The group had a fantastic visit and were keen to share this with their friends when they returned. The rest of Year 5 will be visiting The National Lobster Hatchery after half term.



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## Year 5/6 Cornish Pirates Rugby Coaching

This Tuesday saw the final of six sessions of coaching from the Cornish Pirates Community Engagement Manager, Sam Teasedale. Sam has been coming into school and working with our Year 5 and 6 pupils to develop their rugby skills. As communicated on last week's newsletter, children from Years 5 and 6 represented Connor Downs Academy at the inaugural Cornish Pirates – Bradfords Community Cup. On the back of this event, the Cornish Pirates held an online Facebook competition for the 2 schools with the most liked pictures winning the opportunity to spend the day with the Cornish Pirates.



We are delighted to announce that Connor Downs Academy was one of the top 2 most liked team photos and will be attending the Bradfords Community Cup Final on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> April at the Mennaye Field, where the Cornish Pirates are hosting Doncaster Knights. The day will include:

- Cornish Pirates Q & A
- Lunch provided
- Guard of honour as the players run out
- Half time exhibition match between the two school teams
- Half time presentation of the Bradfords Community Cup Trophies
- Access to players for autographs.



This is such an amazing experience for all the children involved and for the whole school. We would like to say a massive thank you to all the families and their friends and colleagues who shared and liked the Connor Downs Team Photo.

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## Year 2 – Gym



This week, the children in Year 2 had great fun in their PE lesson using the gym equipment in the hall.



## New books

We have invested in a whole range of brand new fiction and non-fiction books to appeal to our sport's loving children! They are part of the Accelerated Reader programme which we use in school and are now available to choose! We would be delighted to hear any feedback you may have.



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Gwithian Sustainable Community Fund to purchase a new bicycle shelter has been successful. During the Easter break, the shelter will be installed and we look forward to seeing more parents/carers and children cycling to school.



**Gwinear-Gwithian**  
Sustainable Community Fund



### Name The Easter Bunny!

We are delighted to announce the name of the Easter Bunny as drawn in our final assembly of the term is 'Daisy'. She has found a new home with Imogen from Year 1. Congratulations Imogen!

Thank you to everyone who took part in our Name the Easter Bunny fundraising event.

We raised a fantastic £116, which will go towards providing resources for all the children.

### Year 6 SATs

A reminder to all parents/carers of our Year 6 pupils, that your child will sit their SATs assessments between Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May. It is imperative that your child attends school on each and every day to ensure they are able to take these assessments. Thank you for your support and if you have any questions please email [hello@connordowns.org.uk](mailto:hello@connordowns.org.uk) and a member of the Year 6 team will get back to you.

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## **Remain Alert: Covid-19**

Cases of COVID-19 in Cornwall are very high compared to the national average. We ask all parents/carers to please continue to act responsibly and follow the guidance. For more information, please use the link below to access the Aspire Academy Trust's Coronavirus (Covid-19) information page.

[Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) - The Aspire Academy Trust](#)

## **Staffing Update**

After 22 years of dedicated service to Connor Downs, Mr. Lewis our site supervisor is sadly retiring.

Mr. Lewis has been an integral member of the Connor family and has gone over and above in his role on a daily basis, always putting the children first. There was never a job too big or too small for Mr. Lewis to tackle with his trusty bag of tools and he always kept the school buildings and the grounds spick and span.

I am delighted to share that Mr Lewis will remain as a volunteer so we hope to see him back in school, driving our minibuses, as often as he can.

We will greatly miss Mr. Lewis in school, but I am sure that you will join me in wishing Mr. Lewis a well-deserved retirement.



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## Job Alert Site Managers

"Working together to maintain and improve our estate, providing environments where children thrive and learning flourishes"

Get in touch today!



**JOB ALERT!** If you are multi-skilled, have a 'can do' attitude and are looking for a new challenge, then the Aspire Academy Trust is currently recruiting **SITE MANAGERS** across the Trust. Aspire is a family-friendly employer and offers a competitive salary and clear career progression paths. Full or part time positions are available, and apprenticeships will also be considered. For an informal chat about the roles available, or to arrange a visit to an

Aspire academy, please contact the Estates Manager Alastair on 07769 200049 or Estates Administrator Natasha on 07759 851076. Alternatively, send an email to [alastair.sneddon@iaspire.net](mailto:alastair.sneddon@iaspire.net).

## Attendance

<b>Attendance</b>		
Our school target for attendance is 96%		
1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Year 3	98.2 %
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Year 5	96.5 %

We look forward to welcoming all the children back to school on **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April** for the start of the summer term!

Kind Regards,



Mrs Eddy  
Head of School



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## Easter Activities



**MOUNTS BAY**



### Easter Active Holiday Club

19th – 22nd April 2022  
Mounts Bay Academy TR18 7JT  
10.00am - 2.00pm  
5-16 years old  
£10 a day or free for FSM

Our Easter programme promises to deliver massive amounts of fun, play and activity! Our full program will give children the chance to discover a range of exciting and engaging activities. There will be new games, play, wellbeing activities and much more.

**FREE to book. Scan here:**

5-11 years old	11-16 years old	Football
		

Email: [holidaycamp@mountsbayacademy.org](mailto:holidaycamp@mountsbayacademy.org)

**FREE HOT MEAL INCLUDED**









Information Classification: CONTROLLED



Dear Parent/Guardian,

### Time2Move Holiday Programme – Easter 2022

It is with great pleasure that we can inform you that the Time2Move Holiday Programme will continue across Cornwall over the Easter, Summer and Christmas holidays for the next three years!

The programme offers fun physical activities, games and wider activities plus a meal for every child. Activities this Easter will be taking place across Cornwall from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April and Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April. All children are welcome to attend, and it is completely **FREE** for children that are eligible for benefits-related Free School Meals.

As a parent or guardian of a child eligible for free school meals you will need your child's **new** unique code in order to access the activities for free. You can access your child's code quickly and easily at:

[www.cornwall.gov.uk/time2move](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/time2move)

Once you have this code you can search and book on activities here:

[www.activecornwall.org/T2MHolidayProgramme](http://www.activecornwall.org/T2MHolidayProgramme)

The activities are all delivered by approved providers with the main focus on fun and enjoyment. So please search for activities near you, book your child's place and we look forward to seeing your child over the Easter holidays.

For any questions regarding the Time2Move Holiday Programme please email [Time2Move.HolidayProgramme@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:Time2Move.HolidayProgramme@cornwall.gov.uk) or phone 01872 233335.

Yours faithfully

The Time2Move Holiday Programme Team

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## EASTER HOLIDAYS FOOTBALL CAMPS

Mounts Bay Football Development Centre



### Easter Dates (2022)

Tuesday 19th April  
Wednesday 20th April  
Thursday 21st April  
Friday 22nd April

### Soccer Tots (3-6yrs)

10am - 12pm

£6 per day | £10 for 2 days | £13 for 3 days or £16 for all 4 camps

### Soccer Pros (7-13yrs)

10am - 3:30pm

£15 per day | £25 for 2 days | £35 for 3 days or £50 for all 4 camps

### \*\*SUPER SAVER DEALS\*\*

Soccer Tots - All 4 days for £16  
Soccer Pros - All 4 days for £50

### Venue

Mounts Bay Football Development Centre  
Mounts Bay Academy Sports Centre, Penzance, TR18 3JT

### Other Info

All children are welcome to attend from any school or club  
The MBFDC coaching staff are UEFA / FA qualified & DBS checked  
Pre-booking only, register & book online  
Visit the website for further information - [www.mbfdc.co.uk](http://www.mbfdc.co.uk)

### Contact

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Click this link for further information - [Easter Football Camps](#)

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## CSIA Super Saturdays for Year 5 Pupils

### Saturday 14th May - Computing Skills

Have you ever wondered how to programme and code? This is your opportunity to get knowledgeable about computing language and creative at programming. What will you develop with your new found computing skills?

### Saturday 21st May - Geography World of Awe and Wonder

The world is a wonderful place and using Ipad and QR codes you will discover even more of its geographical secrets. Can you unlock the codes to reveal more about our planet?

### Saturday 18th June - Getting your Bearings

Learn how to use a compass and orienteering skills to explore the school. Develop your map skills and discover how to use direction and bearings. Can you then put your expertise to good effect and design an adventurous route on an Ordnance Survey map?

### Saturday 2nd July - Camborne Sporting Super Stars Part 2

After the success of the last Sporting Super Stars, the PE team are ready again to help you discover more sports. Are you ready for some new sporting challenges?

The following link can be used by parents and guardians to book onto the sessions.

<https://www.cambornescience.co.uk/super-saturdays/>



**14 May**

IT  
Computing Skills



**21 May**

Geography  
World of Awe and Wonder



**18 June**

Outdoor Education  
Getting your Bearings



**2 July**

Sport  
Camborne Sporting Super Stars

To sign up to any, or all of the sessions, please visit  
[www.cambornescience.co.uk/super-saturdays](http://www.cambornescience.co.uk/super-saturdays)



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## Cornwall Cricket National Programmes – All Stars and Dynamos!

With the lighter evenings and better weather now here, Cornwall Cricket National Programmes are back for summer 2022 - All stars (5 - 8 year olds) and Dynamos (8-11 year olds).

These programmes are offered at a total of 36 cricket clubs around the county. They offer many social, mental and physical benefits.

If you would like to sign your child/children up to take part, please use the links below:

### **All Stars** sign up

link: <https://www.allstarscricket.co.uk>

### **Dynamos** sign up

link: <https://www.dynamoscricet.co.uk>

There is a provisional fund available to support a limited amount of All Stars / Dynamos places for those eligible for **Free School Meals and Pupil Premium**. This will allow children the opportunity to take part in such events that perhaps would not be able to due to the costs involved.

These places are available on a first come, first served basis



**ECB NATIONAL PROGRAMMES**  
**IN CORNWALL**  
**ALL STARS AND DYNAMOS LAUNCH**  
**STARTING FROM MAY 6TH**

**SIGN UP TODAY!**

- All Stars (5-8 yr olds) - BOOK HERE [allstarscricket.co.uk](https://www.allstarscricket.co.uk)
- Dynamos (8-11 yr olds) - BOOK HERE [dynamoscricet.co.uk](https://www.dynamoscricet.co.uk)

**WWW.CORNWALLCRICKET.CO.UK** **WPC** **Cornwall Cricket**

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