## GWENNAP PARISH NEWSLETTER

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# PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Our Meeting dates for 2023 /24 are:

13th December Crofthandy Village Hall14th February Gwennap Parish Rooms13th March Crofthandy Village Hall

## Chair's Blog

Every year, we have the pleasure of visiting Galloway in the south west of Scotland. It is very similar in many ways to Cornwall including tourist hot spots mixed with areas of significant deprivation. Whithorn is one such community. However, at its heart is a new community centre which comprises a large main hall, a café and a shop. It is run by a mix of paid staff and volunteers and each year we return, it is a delight to see it thriving and the focus of so much activity and engagement. Such a facility may not be right for our Parish but it has opened my eyes to 'the possible.' Please complete the Survey in this Newsletter and let us know your views.

Following the resignation of Norma Johns, we have co-opted Julian Hughes onto the Parish Council to maintain our full complement of 7. We thank Norma for her service and hope that Julian, from Crofthandy, will have a long and happy tenure as a Parish Councillor.

There is an update from CCLT on the Gwennap affordable housing development in this edition. This provides an outline timescale for the project but there are still some funding obstacles to be overcome before construction can begin.

Those who pass Pulla Cross will have noticed that the bus shelter was badly damaged as a result of a traffic accident. We understand that, thankfully, no-one was seriously hurt in the collision and work is underway to arrange for the shelter to be rebuilt.

Our Climate Change Group has merged with those of Carharrack and St Day to form the United Downs Environment Group. This will enable more events and greater co-ordination of action across the 3 parishes.

Wheal Maid continues to be a deeply frustrating operational and financial challenge. The entrance to an adit near to Twelveheads has opened up and will need some form of capping. Such engineering does not come cheap! We are looking at the most costeffective way to get this done.

Talking of finance, the Parish Precept in 2024 will increase for the first time in 3 years. It will go up by £4000 which will mean an annual increase for a Band D property of £6.61. We never like to make decisions which will hit residents' pockets but you will understand that the 'cost of living crisis' impacts on public services as well as individuals.

Finally, I hope you will find this 'bumper edition' of the Newsletter an interesting read. We welcome all feedback and any contributions for our next edition which will be published in March. In the meantime, may you all have a peaceful Christmas and an exciting New Year. I know there will be residents facing real challenges in the weeks and months ahead and the way in which our Parish rallies round and supports those in need is truly humbling.

All the best Richard Williams Chair

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# Our Parish Rooms and Playing Fields

At a recent meeting of the Mining Villages taking place in our Parish Rooms, the Vice-Chair of a neighbouring parish expressed her jealousy that Gwennap has its own meeting place and that they would love to have something similar. This took me aback as, over the last 4 years, I have only been aware of the shortcomings of that building and have often wished that we had something more modern and user-friendly.

I imagine that these two contrasting views are reflected throughout the Parish....as well as many which come somewhere in-between those extremes.

A few months ago, we had the opportunity to bid for some government funding which would allow us to review the state of our Parish Rooms and to look at potential alternative designs or even a brand-new building. We were successful in our bid and, after a tendering process, have asked Marraum Architects of Penryn to undertake the review/design work on our behalf.

From early discussions with Marraum, it became clear that the option of knocking down the Parish Rooms was both prohibitively expensive and lost the opportunity to develop and use, more effectively, existing parts of the construction. That option has, therefore, been discounted.

However, nothing else has been ruled in or out. You may think that the existing building has served the Parish well and only needs minor modifications to enhance its benefits. You may think that a radical re-design is required to make it fit for purpose both now and for the next eg 25 years. Whatever your views, it is important that we hear from you. This is your building and it needs to look and function in a way that has the support of a majority of residents.

We are embarking on a two -stage consultation process. The first will take place from now until Friday 12 January. This is just to get any initial views that you might have which the architects can take into account when preparing three outline options. The aim is to for them prepare 3 designs which will range from minimum change/improvement eg incorporating more green energy and design into heating and lighting to a more significant improvement eg a larger footprint to increase the size of the main hall to a more radical vision which eg may include a second storey for community/office space.

We are at the beginning of this process and we want to hear from you based on your own experience and facilities you have admired elsewhere.

This is also an opportunity to look at the Parish Rooms in the context of the wider Playing Fields. Whatever the extent of any change, it will have an impact on the environment surrounding the building so we would welcome your thoughts as to what you would like to see happen. Even if you would like minimal change to the Parish Rooms, you may have more ambitious or radical thoughts about the green space surrounding it

Of course, when embarking on any construction project, the funding you have available is normally key to any design. The honest truth is that we only have the budget for the initial design work. We don't want that to determine your views. Whatever the change, we will have to raise a significant amount of money before we can begin and, in one sense, that doesn't matter if it's £100k, £500k or over £1m. Clearly, if we are looking at seven figures, then it may take longer to find the funding but it's better to do that and build what the Parish wants than simply go for what we think we can realistically raise over the short term. The Parish Rooms were not built that long ago, as many of you will know and the the very fact that we are looking at potentially significant change in less than 20 years is a reflection of the architect's comment that he came up with a design that the Parish could afford rather than a design he was happy with. It is important to recognise that we will be seeking external sources of funding for any improvements. The cost will not fall back onto residents.

We would like as many people as possible to complete the Survey (back page) and to return it to the Parish Clerk. You can do so by hard copy or electronically. If you would like to make your comments directly to a Parish Councillor then we shall be holding drop-in sessions at various places within the Parish. Details will be published on our Facebook page.

All your feedback will be passed to the architects and will be read and considered prior to the designs being prepared by the end of February.

The next formal stage of the process will be public meetings during March and April where residents can see plans, ask questions and make comments on the three outline options submitted. We are also exploring the possibility of having a digital platform for the next stage of consultation to ensure we reach as many people as possible.

What we are hoping to do is start an ongoing conversation about the future of these facilities. Talk to your neighbours, your friends and even your local parish Councillor. In particular, we want to hear from young people as it will be they who will benefit most from any changes.

Richard Williams Chair

For more information about Marraum please scan this QR code .....



## **Homes for Locals Forever in Gwennap**

#### **Update from Cornwall Community Land Trust November 2023**

Residents of the Parish will be aware of the many years of work by the former Housing Working Group and the Parish Council to provide affordable homes for those local to the Parish of Gwennap. The first of what we hope will be three such schemes is at Gwennap, opposite Carn View.

Following the approval of our planning application in June 2023, Cornwall Community Land Trust (CCLT) has been progressing the draft S106 Planning Agreement which will set out the details of the scheme in terms of tenure and eligibility. The draft document is now with the landowner (the Diocese of What is proposed? Truro), to approve. This is the final part of the planning process; thereafter CCLT will be working with a partner Housing Association, such as Coastline, to build the homes. Whoever delivers the scheme, the letting and sale of the properties will be bound by the details of the Local Lettings Plan which forms part of the S106 Agreement.

#### Who will be eligible?

All the homes will only be available to those both in housing need and with a local connection to the 'primary' Parish of Gwennap. An applicant will be considered "local" if they have at least one of the following connections:

- Been permanently resident in the Parish for a continuous period of at least three years immediately prior to the dwellings being advertised;
- Been formerly permanently resident in the Parish for 5+ years;
- Permanent (16+hrs p.w.: non-seasonal) employment for 3+ years in the Parish; or
- Close family member (mother, father, brother, sister, son or daughter) who has resided in the Parish for 5+ years and there is a dependency for caring.

In the unlikely event that insufficient candidates come forward from within the Parish, the option will be made available to adjoining parishes.

#### How much will they cost?

Until the homes are nearing construction it is difficult to accurately predict sale prices or rent levels. However, there are guidelines to ensure affordability which Cornwall CLT are required to follow:

#### Social Rent

Subject to government funding, properties for rent should be available at 'social' rents, typically 50-60% of local market rents. Final actual rent levels will depend on an independent assessment; however rents won't be higher than the Local Housing Allowance.

#### **Shared Ownership**

This is a part-buy and part-rent of an affordable home. The applicant purchases a proportion of the open market value likely to be between 20% and 75%. Residual rent is paid on the remaining share. Purchasers have the option to buy further shares or to 'staircase' up to 80%.



The scheme consists of ten homes:

- 4 x one bedroom 2 person bungalows (with additional small study)
- 2 x two bedroom 4 person houses
- 2 x three bedroom 5 person houses
- 1 x three bedroom 6 person house
- 1 x four bedroom 6 person house Whatever the tenure, all homes will remain for local people in perpetuity.

#### **Programme**

All being well, we anticipate that a contractor will start onsite in mid 2024 with the first homes ready to move into about 12 months later.

CCLT will hold a further public event when this programme has been finalised, details of which will be available locally through the Parish website and on Facebook.

We hope also, at that time, to be able to introduce a proposal for a second scheme of homes for local people in another part of the Parish so watch this space!

#### How to apply for a home...

To apply to rent an affordable home within Cornwall you need to register first with:

#### Cornwall Homechoice:

https://secure.cornwall.gov.uk/ cornwallhousing/openaccess.l/ibsxmlpr.p? or 0300 1234 161 (rental dwellings only)

Homes available on Shared Ownership will be advertised when they are nearing com-pletion and applications assessed by the Housing Association.

For further information on Cornwall Community Land Trust please contact us at: info@cornwallclt.org

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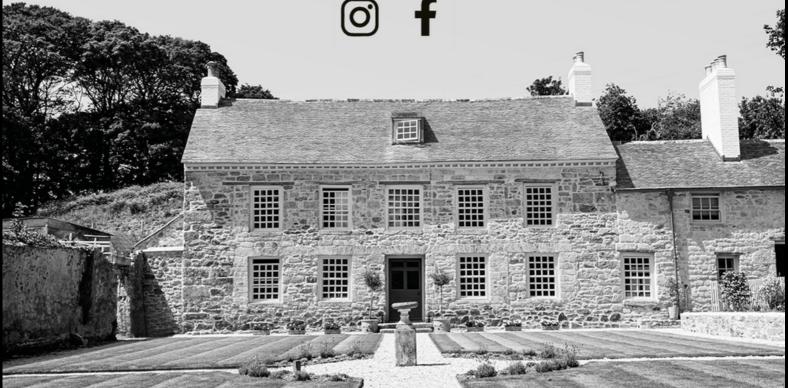
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# CALLING NEW VOLUNTEERS FOR CAR BOOT CAFÉ & PARKING!

The car boot season always brings joy and eager anticipation to those people who attend as sellers or buyers or to those just wanting a cup of tea and a bacon bap at the friendly car boot café in the Parish Hall!

The car boot season starts in April and ends in September each year and takes place on the first and third Sundays, so twelve in total. The boot sale begins at 7:00am and usually finishes around noon.

It's an early start but as they say the early birds get the worms, and there are always plenty of bargains to be had. The café team of volunteers work hard but it is very enjoyable seeing the same appreciative faces enjoying the snacks and drinks on offer.

We are keen to expand our team of volunteers, it's a rewarding experience and we all enjoy it but we do need more people to help on the rota in the café!

We are also keen to recruit volunteers to help with the car parking to ensure everyone who attends can do so safely and that those who need disabled parking can access it easily. This is a role which will involve meeting people, walking and making sure the cars are welcomed on arrival at the park!

If you are keen to get involved and can spare a few hours once a month or even 3 times in the year, then please contact Charlotte Caldwell on email <a href="mailto:charlottecaldwell77@outlook.com">charlottecaldwell77@outlook.com</a> or call 07741 304606 for an informal chat.

We really look forward to hearing from you soonest! Thank you for reading.







GWENNAP PARISH ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP

# Our 'New' Environment Group &

## **Peat Free Compost**

#### **United Downs Environment Group**

We are delighted to be able to tell you that we have decided to merge Gwennap Parish Environment Group with St Day & Caharrack Climate Action Group. As we are all working for the same purpose and in such close proximity, it seemed sensible to pool our people power! The new group will be known as United Downs Environment Group (UDEG) and will meet on the first Wednesday of each month at 7pm. Follow on Facebook to find the location but we hope to rotate between the 3 parishes. Everyone is welcome.

#### Caharrack Monthly Market

We would love all of our residents to support the Carharrack Monthly Market on the second Saturday of each month at the Mills Hall from 1 - 3pm which has a variety of stalls including fresh vegetables, preserves and chutneys, cakes,

Incredible Bulk Refill and Zoltan the Knife sharpener - who doesn't just put an edge on your kitchen knives, but all those precious gardening tools such as shears and secateurs.

#### Peat - Free Compost

Firstly, thank you to everyone who came and supported GPEG and the sales of peat-free compost at the Richard Jory Playing Field last year. It was lovely to meet so many dedicated gardeners and to introduce people to the wonderful 'Black Gold' which is supplied by the Green Waste Company at St Erth. we will now combine our Compost Re-fill Stations with that the Monthly Mills Hall Market in Carharrack (see above) and the compost will be available on February 10th, March 9th, April 13th, May 11th and June 8th. The compost will be sold at the same great price of £4 for a refillable bag and £2 if you bring back a bag to be re-filled. Green bags from the Richard Jory Sales can be returned.

Finally, we would like to thank you again for making the change to peat-free compost, supporting a local company and reducing the use of plastic bags. There are now many more peat-free composts available at garden centres and DIY stores, as we approach the ban on the use of peat in garden compost, but as a soil conditioner and potting compost base, The Green Waste Company's product is very effective and extremely good value.



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#### Sunday Morning Services 10.45 a.m.

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See the Noticeboards for further details as we also join neighbouring Church services.

#### Coffee Mornings

Coffee Mornings are held at the Church from 10.30 a.m. to 12.00 noon each month on

Thursday 30th December.

Thursday 14th December in Aid of St. Petrocs.

Thursday 25th January.

Thursday 29th February.

Thursday 28th March.

Come and enjoy a cup of great coffee or tea, a slice of cake and meet other members of your community. Bring & Buy Stall.

These are social events where you can come and enjoy a cup of great coffee or tea, a piece of cake and have a chat.

Bring & Buy Stall.

#### Beetle Drive & Cream Tea

Open to everyone and will be held at 2.30 p.m. on

Wednesday 13th December.

Wednesday 10th January.

Wednesday 14th February.

Wednesday 13th March.

#### Women on Wednesday's Craft Group

2.30 p.m. on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month (Apart from 1st week of January)

#### **Gwennap Parish Fete Committee**

Plans are underway for next year's event the date will be Saturday 22nd June

We would welcome new members and will need lots of help for this event to go ahead if you would like to join the committee or can help us on the day please contact Helen Rowe 01872870860 or Mary Richards 01872863143

## St. Wennapa Church Gwennap

#### Regular monthly Services at 11.00am

1st Sunday Holy Communion (Book of Common prayer)

2nd Sunday All age Worship

3rd Sunday Holy Communion (Common Worship) 4th Sunday Matins (Service of morning prayer) 5th Sunday Benefice service December at St. Day 9.30am

#### Christmas Services

Sunday 10th December Christingle Service (particularly for the young)

Sunday 17th December Service of Nine Lessons and Carols

Sunday24th December. NO SERVICE

Monday 25th CHRISTMAS DAY 10.00am Holy Communion

Sunday 31st December no service at Gwennap but a joint BENEFICE SERVICE AT ST. DAY 9.30 am

Every one is very welcome to our Services so do come and join us in celebration.

#### Gwennap Ladies Guild

We meet in Gwennap Church Hall on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 2.30pm except for December and August which are Holiday months. Our annual meal out will be on Tuesday January 23rd and our A.G.M. Will be on February 27th when plans for the coming year will be arranged. Enquiries to our secretary Vi. On 01872 862151

#### THE COFFEE STOP

We continue to meet every Tuesday morning 10-11.30 in the Gwennap Parish Rooms at Pulla Cross, and welcome new comers.

Coffee tea and biscuits and chat. Open to everyone.

This year we are supporting a local charity Hidden Help, all money is from donation for our coffee etc.

Vanessa 01209820355

# Cusgarne and Frogpool Women's Institute

Cusgarne and Frogpool WI

Looking back over the summer our WI group has been taking part in many activities and a lot of fundraising. Our chosen charity this year has been the Cornwall Air Ambulance. We are pleased to support them by sending the money we raised from our September harvest auction which amounted to £160.50 and £200 which was the profit from our bingo and pasty night in November. We are very grateful to all our members and supporters who helped us achieve this amount.

Our WI members enjoy joining in activities provided by the Cornwall Federation of Women's Institutes (CFWI). We are very lucky that as they are based in Threemilestone, so we don't have to travel too far to take part. Free computer lessons, wildlife talks, guided visits to stately home and gardens, and an afternoon of Cornish entertainment are just some of the varied events offered along with opportunities to learn new crafts, enter competitions and attend literary lunches. Some events are free or offered at reasonable prices. The CFWI Annual meeting was held at the Hall for Cornwall in the autumn with two interesting speakers. Colonel Edward Bolitho OBE, the Lord Lieutenant of Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly told us about his role in assisting the Royal Family especially during the Queen's laying in state and funeral and the King's Coronation.

The afternoon speaker was Lesley Smith who is the curator of Tutbury Castle in Staffordshire. Lesley is a medical historian and actress who played the part of Elizabeth I and gave us an interesting insight into the Queen's life.

A great deal of baking was involved in preparing our stall at the Gwennap Parish Fete in June. The cake stall soon ran out of goodies making £95 and the café was incredibly busy selling teas, cakes and ice creams as it was such a hot day and took £336.15. We have been entertained by some very interesting speakers at our meetings. Mr Phillip Rodda of Rodda's Creamery was our July speaker. He talked us through the history of the firm from the time his Grandmother started to sell small amounts of cream to her neighbours from their farm. Of course now the factory is huge and Mr Rodda brought along photos and other memorabilia collected over the years but also we were able to purchase butter, fudge, bags and aprons amongst other things.

Because at WI we like to offer members something a little bit different, at our August meeting which is a social evening with a buffet provided by the members, we were entertained by Liz Newman from Seef Saffah dance troupe. Liz specialises in belly dancing and demonstrated dance styles from Egypt, Tunisia, Algeria and Morocco amongst others. Liz told us that dances are part of the way of life in those countries and girls are taught to dance as soon as they can walk and carry on dancing into old age. We are very pleased that Liz is returning to us next August to show us some Bollywood moves!

In October we had a volunteer speaker from Hearing Loss Cornwall which is a small Cornish charity that supports deaf people and those living with hearing loss. We learned that there are many aids that can be purchased through the charity to make everyday living easier and that it takes seven years to train as a sign language interpreter. For further information please contact info@hearinglosscornwall.org

Two friends of our group Rose and Ruby got us looking forward to Christmas in November by demonstrating some gorgeous floral arrangements to give us ideas for a table display and an alternative to a wreath for your front door. Both ladies made it look so simple and gave us encouragement to find alternative foliage in our gardens or hedgerows that we could use without spending much money. The displays were then raffled and Julie and Rita were the lucky winners.

We are all keen to get together at the Cornish Arms for our Christmas meal before too long. Our December meeting is always fun, we have someone coming to demonstrate how to make themed decorations and there will be a buffet and Secret Santa gifts for everyone.

Here are the dates of our first three meetings in 2024 - 9th January - Getting to know you

6th February – Teresa Parsons from the Alzheimer's Society 5th March – Lynn Begley from Carnon Downs Memory Café followed by our Annual Meeting

We meet in the Parish Rooms, Richard Jory Playing Field at 7pm on the first Tuesday of the month (except January) and welcome new members whose first three visits are free. For further details contact cusgarneandfrogpoolwi@gmail.com

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## Bellydancer Liz Newman shows us how it's done





Mr Phillip Rodda with President Sue and WI member Anne

### Defibrillators

There are 5 Defibrillators (AED's) in the Parish:



The Cornish Arms, Frogpool.

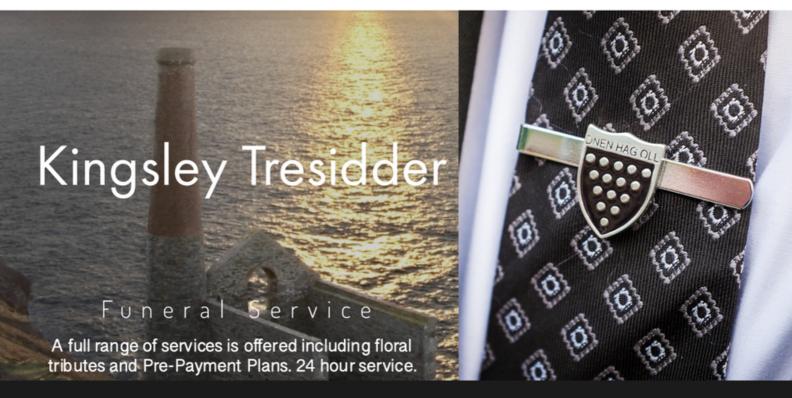
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## HICKS MILL CHAPEL



Everyone is welcome to join us at our CHRISTMAS SERVICES – 10.30 am.
Sunday 17th December – Carol Service Led by Suzanne Mitchell, Baldhu.
Sunday 24th December – Christingle Service Led by members of the Chapel.
Refreshments served after the services.

Christmas Coffee Morning - Saturday 9th December 10am to 12 noon





#### RICCIARELLI BISCUITS (makes 14)

Life during lockdown was very different for everyone and many of us tried things we had never done before. Whilst browsing on the internet I happened to see that Waitrose was doing a free online cookery class; I was intrigued and decided to give it a go. The recipe was for the biscuits I have included below. They are a bit tricky in that the mix is extremely soft and difficult to handle but the resulting biscuits are amazingly yummy; crisp on the outside and soft and chewy in the middle. A great treat at Christmas.

50g/2oz whole nuts finely chopped (any nuts you have eg walnuts, pistachios, pecans, almonds, hazelnuts)

125g/41/₂oz ground almonds

125g/4½oz caster sugar

150g/5oz dried fruit (any dried fruit you have eg dates, cranberries, apricots, sultanas, figs – I used 50g ready-to-eat dried apricots, 50g raisins, 50g dates)

Optional - Zest of a citrus fruit (lemon, orange, grapefruit, lime)

Optional - 2tsp flavourings of your choice (eg rose water, orange blossom water, sherry, orange or lemon liqueur)

3/4 tsp vanilla extract

2 large egg whites (medium OK)

100g/3½oz icing sugar, divided into 25g/1oz & 75g/2½oz

Preheat oven to 170°C fan/190°C/gas mark 5 Line 2 baking sheets with baking parchment.



Chop the dried fruit into 1cm/ $\frac{1}{2}$ " pieces and mix with the chopped nuts, ground almonds and caster sugar in a bowl. Add zest, mix again. Add vanilla essence and flavouring. Mix well to combine.

In a separate bowl whisk the egg whites until stiff, add the 25g icing sugar and whisk until stiff again.

Fold in the nut, sugar and dried fruit mixture.

Put 50g of icing sugar onto a plate and, using two soup spoons, drop heaps of the mixture onto it. Roll each heap in the sugar using your fingers then shape into very soft balls and place six on each baking sheet, spaced well apart. Gently press down to 1cm discs. Generously sift over the remaining icing sugar so they are completely white.

Transfer to the preheated oven and bake for approx 17 minutes until the surfaces are cracked.

Allow to cool for a couple of minutes before transferring to a cooling rack. These are delicious with coffee but I warn you that one will not be enough.

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## Cusgarne School

Cusgarne school has been active this term, raising money for some wonderful causes. Our school council chose to focus on local setting, with a celebration of the work the RNLI do in our county to save lives and keep our beaches safe. As part of our harvest assembly they presented why they had chosen this cause and the auction that followed raised £625, which will be presented to the charity in an assembly later this term when they visit our school. Thank you to our amazing community and the teachers for a wonderful event.

The children also performed with character and confidence as part of a Remembrance Day service at Frogpool Chapel, alongside Nankersey Male Voice Choir, and what a wonderful service it was. The children, with the support of their teachers, sang a collection of songs to the congregation, including a beautiful moving song about what Remembrance means, and they sang with such feeling. These community links are very important for the children and provide them with a great sense of place, in our small community school.

Sporting events have begun with our football team travelling to some local schools for matches in the next few weeks, we all hope that the fixtures will continue in spite of the wet weather, but we will keep you posted.

Other highlights were due to include a climate change assembly and workshop, delivered by Lucci from climate vision. We managed to do the staff meeting, but due to the poor stormy weather, we had to postpone the day for the children. We will rearrange and the children will look forward learning more about playing their part in the future sustainability of our county.

The children have been planting trees in the school grounds this week with our Forest School lead, to continue our theme of sustainability. All the trees are of native varieties, and I know that we have been in touch with the Parish Council to see if they have any spaces where we could plant some more. It is wonderful for the children to be involved in local schemes that are working towards building a brighter future for our community.

The school disco run by Friends of Cusgarne was a huge hit with the children, and I know they were super excited to be dressed up in their costumes, and danced the evening away with well mixed tunes from our resident house DJ.

Our local PCSO's visited school recently to give a whole school assembly and a more detailed experience for KS1. It was one of my former pupils who is now qualified in her role, but who had come to support her former primary school. It always makes me so proud to see the paths that pupils of Cusgarne School carve for themselves. These children can!

To look ahead to the next month of festive celebrations, we will be back at the chapel in early December (Sunday 3rd) singing and performing, together with a host of other school events including the much loved Nativity. More information to follow.

If you are considering school applications for a September 2024 Reception starter, please do get in touch with our school reception

to book a tour of the school, and to discuss what we can offer you and your child.

Mr Barnard Head of School







# CHRISTMAS QUIZ

## Just for fun!

- 1. In what country did the tradition of Christmas trees originate?
- 2. In the movie "Elf," what is the main character's favourite type of pasta?
- 3. Which classic Christmas film features a young boy's adventures with a train?
- 4. Finish the lyrics: "Deck the halls with boughs of ."
- 5. What is the name of Rudolph's dad?
- 6. In which country is it customary to celebrate Christmas with a feast of 7 fishes?
- 7. What is the traditional Christmas dinner in Japan?
- 8. How many points does a snowflake normally have?
- 9. Which king declared December 25th a holiday in 336 A.D.?
- 10. What year was the first commercially available Christmas card introduced?
- 11. How many gifts, in total, are given in the song "The Twelve Days of Christmas"?
- 12 What year did the famous Christmas song "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" hit the airwaves?

Please take a few minutes to share your thoughts and preferences by completing this survey.
1. How often do you use the Parish Rooms? -[]Regularly -[]Occasionally -[]Rarely -[]Never
2. How often do you use the Playing Fields?  - ( ) Regularly - ( ) Occasionally - ( ) Rarely - ( ) Never
3. How do you travel most often to the Parish Rooms?  - ( ) on foot  - ( ) bicycle  - ( ) car  - ( ) public transport
4. Tick all age ranges in your household: 0-5( ), 5-11( ), 11-18 ( ), 18-30( ), 30-60( )
5. What do you appreciate most about the Parish Rooms/Playing Fields?
6. Do you think the Parish Rooms need improvement? -[] Yes -[] No -[] Undecided
<ul> <li>7. If 'yes', which of the following improvements or changes would you like to see to the Parish Rooms/ Playing Fields?</li> <li>( ) Small meeting rooms and work spaces</li> <li>( ) Larger hall for functions/community events such as film nights, barn dances, performances and weddings</li> <li>( ) A community café</li> <li>( ) A community shop</li> <li>( ) A cosier seating area for drinks/informal meetings</li> <li>( ) A bar</li> <li>( ) Exhibition/retail space for local artists/makers</li> <li>( ) More biodiversity eg including a wildlife pond</li> <li>( ) An extended play area including facilities for older children/young people</li> <li>( ) Other (Please specify below)</li> </ul>
8. Any Additional comments or suggestions regarding the future of the Parish Rooms/Playing Fields:
Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. Your input will play a vital role in shaping the future of our Parish Roo Your opinion matters, and we appreciate your participation.
TO RETURN Please cut to and drop into the Parish Rooms letter box at the Richard Jory Playing Field, or Crofthandy Village Hall, or to th Cornish Arms, Frogpool.

or email to clerk@gwennap-parish.net

Please return by 12th January 2024.

There will be a version on our website Gwennap-parish.net.