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Head's Hello,

This is a very hard head's hello to write. Closing the school gates for an undetermined period is not a position I would have ever imagined being in. Please know, that we are here if you need us. You can contact us via email or dojo, and we will keep in touch with the children about their learning in the weeks to come. The children have made me immensely proud this week. They have been engaged with their learning, kind to each other and sensible about keeping their hands clean. I could not have asked for any more from the staff, who have remained dedicated to their profession throughout this testing and emotional time.

I am sure that we will all see each other very soon, when the sun is shining and we will be able to celebrate our school plays, sports days and summer fayre. I look forward to seeing you all on the other side.

Keep safe and well

Natalie

Lostwithiel School Association (LSA) Lottery

Numbers drawn this morning by Molly Casling

The results are for February
1st - ball 19 - £24 - S and N Gould
2nd - ball 14 - £12 - S and N Gould
3rd - ball 26 - £4 - Natalie Simmonds

March results are
1st - ball 8 - £24 - Nick M
2nd - ball 24 - £12 - Ramon
3rd - ball 14 - £4 - S and N Gould

Well done lucky winners!



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We have copied here a document which outlines contact details for organisations able to offer assistance with financial support.

Sources of Financial Support for Families

If you are experiencing financial difficulty as a result of the Corona Virus pandemic, the following are trusts and charities which may be able to offer support. Application processes vary – some require a referral from a professional, others are a direct application from the family/individual.

Please be aware however that they may be facing higher than usual demand with lower than usual staffing levels.

Turn2us

This is a charity that in financial need to welfare benefits, grants and other



helps people access charitable financial help

– online, by phone and face to face through their partner organisations. Their website has a wealth of information – including a benefits checker and a grants listing.

They are a small charity however and ask for patience at the current time whilst they distribute their available funds.



Friends of the



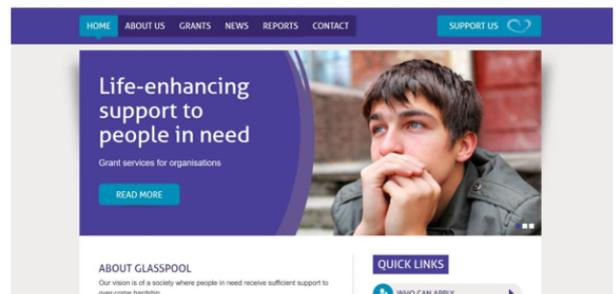
Elderly -

<https://www.fote.org.uk/>

Grants available for home essentials, digital connection and general financial support. Must be managing on a low income with savings of less than £4000

Glasspool Charity Trust - <https://www.glasspool.org.uk/grants/who-can-apply>

Giving small grants to individuals in need, which unusually, has no restrictions on the type of beneficiary. The usual aim of the grant is to help the beneficiary over a short term crisis. They do not accept applications directly from individual members of the public



The Eaton Fund - Grants to those who are in need of financial assistance, to make a difference to quality of life, to enhance independence and/or to improve career prospects for artists, nurses & women.

Utility Bills

Many families may be struggling with or will struggle with utility bills – almost all of the main providers have funds for account holders which can support with bills and by providing household electrical items.

- o [EON Energy Fund](#) - helps pay current or final EON energy bill arrears. It can also help EON's most vulnerable customers by providing replacement household items such as cookers, fridges, fridge-freezers and washing machines – and also help to replace and repair gas boilers as well as e-learning vouchers
- o [EDF Energy Trust](#) - awards grants to individuals and families to clear electricity and gas debts owed to EDF Energy and to purchase essential energy efficient household items
- o [npower Energy Fund](#) o [Scottish Power Hardship Fund](#) o [Ovo Energy Fund](#)
- o [SSE \(Southern Electric\) Priority Assistance Fund](#)

British Gas Energy Trust offers grants and schemes that are open to anyone - you don't have to be a customer: **British Gas Energy Trust**



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WW Spooner Charitable Trust

<https://grants-search.turn2us.org.uk/grant/w-w-spooner-charitable-trust16013?iframe=False&postcode=hd22as>

Grants to individuals living in the West and North Ridings of Yorkshire. Grants have been given for helping the building fund of a new hall, clubs or homes for boys and the purchase of works of art for the benefit of the public. Grants also made to old employees of Spooner Industries Ltd.

<https://www.spooner.co.uk/> or their dependants who are in need.

National Benevolent Fund

<https://natben.org.uk/apply-for-assistance>

Banks to Offer Customers with Coronavirus Help with Overdrafts and Mortgages

Banks, building societies and credit card providers will offer mortgage holidays and other assistance to customers hit with coronavirus (COVID-19), the trade body for the industry announced.

Customers may be offered repayment holidays for mortgages and loans and extended overdraft if their finances suffer while they're ill or self-isolating, UK Finance said.

Stephen Jones, chief executive of the trade association, said: "All providers are ready and able to offer support to their customers who are impacted directly or indirectly by COVID-19, which could include offering or increasing an overdraft or allowing repayment relief for loan or mortgage repayments: asking for help early is key."

He urged impacted customers to contact their provider as soon as possible to discuss the assistance available. <https://www.moneyexpert.com/banks/banks-offer-customers-coronavirus-help-overdrafts-mortgages>



The National Benevolent Charity gives financial help and support to people who, through no fault of their own, are living in poverty. They can make grants to meet essential needs, purchase and arrange delivery of household items and supply vouchers for goods and services. Occasionally, the charity can make a weekly payment to supplement a meagre income and help the beneficiary through a difficult period.

The application process is straightforward but there are some strict criteria – applicants are asked to check they meet the criteria before applying. A supporting reference will also be required.

Family Action Welfare



Family Action's Welfare Grants programme aim help prevent an immediate crisis from spiralling and threatening the stability of families and individuals.

Welfare grants are an integral part of their whole family approach to finding solutions for those who need it the most. Coupled with emotional and practical support, grants help Family Action to create a safety net for the most vulnerable and disadvantaged members of our society.

<https://www.family-action.org.uk/what-we-do/grants/welfare-grants/>



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Public Health
England



Advice on the coronavirus for places of education

How serious is the coronavirus?

- it can cause flu-like symptoms, including fever, cough & difficulty breathing
- the infection is not serious for most people, including children
- there is currently no vaccine
- most people get better with enough rest, water to drink and medicine for pain

How likely are you to catch the virus?

- you can only catch it if you have been close to a person who has the virus
- the chance of being in contact with the virus is currently low in the UK
- if you have travelled to areas where many people are infected, your chance of catching the virus is higher, i.e. China and any affected areas

How can you stop coronaviruses spreading?

If you need to cough or sneeze



Catch it with a tissue



Bin it



Kill it by washing your hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser

You should wash hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser



After breaks & sport activities



Before cooking & eating



SCHOOL ETC.
On arrival at any childcare or educational setting



After using the toilet



Before leaving home



Try not to touch your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands



Do not share items that come into contact with your mouth such as cups & bottles



If unwell do not share items such as bedding, dishes, pencils & towels



Stop germs spreading with our e-Bug resources on hand and respiratory hygiene lesson plans for KS1, 2 and 3: campaignresources.phe.gov.uk/schools

What should you do if you feel unwell?

Keep away from others and stay at home to stop the infection spreading. Avoid public transport if you think you have symptoms of coronavirus. If you become unwell at a place of education, tell a member of staff and let them know if you have travelled to any other countries in the last 14 days.

If your staff member or parent thinks you have symptoms of coronavirus, they should call **NHS 111** for advice. Follow the UK Government advice for childcare or educational settings [gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19). Parents can visit [NHS.UK](https://www.nhs.uk) to find out more information. Teachers and support staff should follow the UK Government advice.

Staff, students and pupils who have returned from Wuhan and Hubei Province in China should self isolate, and NOT attend education or work for 14 days. See [NHS.UK](https://www.nhs.uk) for advice on coronavirus.

If there is an emergency, call 999 immediately





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LOSTWITHIEL SCHOOL TERM DATES AND INSET DAY INFORMATION

CHANGE OF DATE FOR MAY BANK HOLIDAY 2020

The May Bank Holiday 2020 date has been changed

FROM: Monday 4th May TO: Friday 8th May

PLEASE NOTE THAT SCHOOL WILL BE OPEN AS USUAL ON MONDAY 4th MAY AND CLOSED TO PUPILS ON FRIDAY 8th MAY. THIS CHANGE HAS BEEN MADE NATIONALLY TO MARK THE ANNIVERSARY OF V E DAY.

IMPORTANT NEWS REGARDING LOSTWITHIEL SCHOOL INSET DAYS

The Cornwall Council term dates and holidays for school year 2019/2020

SCHOOL YEAR 2019/2020

Lostwithiel School will be taking their staff training (inset) days in a week block again next year, during the 2019/2020 school year, following the May half term week. Therefore school will be closed to pupils from Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May 2020 (half term) and also the week following that from Monday 1st June to Friday 5th June 2020 (inset days). Pupils return to school on Monday 8th June 2020.

Cornwall Council

2019/20 school term dates for community and voluntary-controlled schools



September 2019						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tue		3	10	17	24	
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thurs		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	
Sat		7	14	21	28	
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	

October 2019						
Mon			7	14	21	28
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thurs	3	10	17	24	31	
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
Sun	6	13	20	27		

November 2019						
Mon			4	11	18	25
Tue			5	12	19	26
Wed			6	13	20	27
Thurs			7	14	21	28
Fri	1	8	15	22	29	
Sat	2	9	16	23	30	
Sun	3	10	17	24		

School holidays

Bank holidays

Christmas Day	25 December 2019
Boxing Day	26 December 2019
New Year's Day	01 January 2020
Good Friday	10 April 2020
Easter Monday	13 April 2020
Early May Holiday	08 May 2020
Spring Bank Holiday	25 May 2020
Summer Bank Holiday	31 August 2020

AUTUMN TERM 2019 (73 days)

04 September - 20 December
(Half term 21 - 25 October)

SPRING TERM 2020 (55 days)

06 January - 27 March
(Half term 17 - 21 February)

SUMMER TERM 2020 (67 days)

14 April - 23 July
(Half term 25 May - 29 May)

*Lostwithiel School
Inset Days 2020*

195 days are included on the school calendar. Schools will be open to pupils for 190 days. The 5 additional days are allotted for In-Service Training.

December 2019						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tue		3	10	17	24	31
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thurs		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	
Sat		7	14	21	28	
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	

January 2020						
Mon			6	13	20	27
Tue			7	14	21	28
Wed	1	8	15	22	29	
Thurs	2	9	16	23	30	
Fri	3	10	17	24	31	
Sat	4	11	18	25		
Sun	5	12	19	26		

February 2020						
Mon		3	10	17	24	
Tue		4	11	18	25	
Wed		5	12	19	26	
Thurs		6	13	20	27	
Fri	7	14	21	28		
Sat	1	8	15	22	29	
Sun	2	9	16	23		

March 2020						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tue		3	10	17	24	31
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thurs		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	
Sat		7	14	21	28	
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	

April 2020						
Mon			6	13	20	27
Tue			7	14	21	28
Wed	1	8	15	22	29	
Thurs	2	9	16	23	30	
Fri	3	10	17	24		
Sat	4	11	18	25		
Sun	5	12	19	26		

May 2020						
Mon			4	11	18	25
Tue			5	12	19	26
Wed			6	13	20	27
Thurs			7	14	21	28
Fri	1	8	15	22	29	
Sat	2	9	16	23	30	
Sun	3	10	17	24	31	

June 2020						
Mon	1	8	15	22	29	
Tue	2	9	16	23	30	
Wed	3	10	17	24		
Thurs	4	11	18	25		
Fri	5	12	19	26		
Sat	6	13	20	27		
Sun	7	14	21	28		

July 2020						
Mon		6	13	20	27	
Tue		7	14	21	28	
Wed	1	8	15	22	29	
Thurs	2	9	16	23	30	
Fri	3	10	17	24	31	
Sat	4	11	18	25		
Sun	5	12	19	26		

August 2020						
Mon		3	10	17	24	31
Tue		4	11	18	25	
Wed		5	12	19	26	
Thurs		6	13	20	27	
Fri		7	14	21	28	
Sat	1	8	15	22	29	
Sun	2	9	16	23	30	