

Report from Boyton Primary School\_ 3rd March 2025

Boyton Primary School is going from strength to strength! In April '24, the local school academy trust 'An Daras' took over Boyton Primary along with the two other schools in the original Duchy Academy Trust. Being part of a larger, more established trust has been invaluable for the future of the school – in terms of its capacity to support a small school. After a period of change, we have certainly stabilized and grown in skills and vision!

Through this, since September, we are now part of a hub with North Petherwin and Werrington Primary Schools, overseen by an Executive Head. Much closer links have been established between the schools, which is proving to be really exciting in terms of what we can offer the children.

We currently have two classes, but are re-opening the nursery on a Thursday and Friday initially. This is a really positive step in an effort to increase our numbers but also provide high quality early years provision for local families. We are developing a nursery where sustainability and learning outdoors is at the heart of children's learning experiences. We had an induction session last week and welcomed five new children to the school!

We continue to deliver a rich, inspiring curriculum to all and are passionate about providing a wealth of experiences beyond the classroom. Over the last year, some examples of opportunities that the children have participated in include; Year 5 residential at Simple Outdoors- Kelly College, Year 6 residential to Bristol, Y1-4 school camp on the school field, Y5/6 camp on the school field, whole school printing art project with Sophie Fordham – a local artist, KS2 first aid workshop, whole school trip to Bridge Mill – Bridgerule, performing at the An Daras Climate and Sustainability Conference etc! We have many more exciting events planned for the year ahead.

Currently, however, similarly to other local schools, our numbers are lower than we wish. We are a warm friendly, nurturing, inclusive school and welcome all. Please encourage friends and families to get in touch and come and visit!

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