



Golow Splan - Shining Light

Newsletter – St Mary Bradoc

December 2024



Gold award presented to our two young PCC Members by Bishop Hugh



Gold award presented to Braddock School by Bishop Graham

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December 2024.



Creation Care, Eco Church Gold Award.

Our creation champions are our school and junior ringers

Our Gold award, the first in Cornwall (with Blisland) and the 34th in the Church of England.



Weekday Pioneer Worship

As well as those we who come to church on Sundays we worship during the week with 138 different children and 40 different adults. In January and through the spring we will be joined by 70 cubs and scouts from across the deanery on Tuesday nights taking their bell ringing badge

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:00 pm	5:30 pm	12:00 pm	1:50 pm	
Dumbbell	Film Club	Community hub	Open the Book	
	7:00 pm Junior ringers		3:15 pm After school club	
Piano project	Piano project	Piano project	Piano project	Piano project

Services in December and January

- 8th December communion 11:15am with Revd John Hereward.
- 15th December 6:00pm choral evensong
- 19th December School Christmas Service
- 22nd December 11:15am Nativity, Carols and Father Christmas
- 24th December 11:15pm Carols at midnight
- 12th January communion 11:15 with Fr James
- 19th January choral evensong 6:00pm
- 26 January morning prayer 11:15am



There are opportunities for children at Braddock school to engage in Collective Worship every day of the week.

Monday	Core Christian value and bible story
Tuesday	Focus of the week
Wednesday	Individual class collective worship
Thursday	Open the Book with Bradoc Church
Friday	Celebration assembly

We understand worship to be a special act or occasion whose purpose is to show reverence to God. Collective Worship involves all members of our school family coming together, as a class, key stage or whole school and participating in an assembly. We aim for Collective Worship to be inspirational and clearly invitational.

We normally base our assemblies on the teachings of Jesus Christ and traditions of the Christian faith. However, we conduct our assemblies in a manner that is sensitive to the individual faith and beliefs of all members of the school.

While the majority of our acts of worship are Christian, we also hold assemblies that reflect other religious traditions that are represented in school and the wider community. We welcome representatives from other faiths to lead our assemblies.

Our six core values
are: *Creativity, Friendship, Courage, Trust, Respect and Perseverance.*

Many of these assemblies are led by lay officers of St Mary Bradoc Church.

Understanding Christianity - The National School Curriculum



Genesis 1-2

Genesis 3

Genesis 4
Deuteronomy

Joshua-Malachi



Gospels -Acts -Letters

Revelation

We use the common national curriculum for Christian worship in Schools, each of 8 panels depicting the old and new testaments in Bradoc Church and Braddock School so that the children see that both church and school have the same Christian understanding. The friezes are displayed in the church nave and school hall where the children worship. The children see the church and school as one place and both as safe places.

Discerning a New Rector

Developing our requirements.

Each parish in the benefice has had to describe itself and its worship in about 250 words.

Our draft:

The parish of St Mary Bradoc is the most sparsely populated and one of the four least populated rural parishes in Cornwall. It is in the top 15% of deprived parishes.

It has an active beautiful Grade 1 early medieval church set high on a hill. It has close links with its remote primary school and the children consider the church and school as one place.

It has close ecumenical links with Cannon chapel and PTA. Together we have our own parish team who worship with the school through weekly open the book and messy church.

We worship with 137 different children each week, through collective, conventional and pioneer ministry. Our twice weekly messy church clubs include after and in school worship at school and church. These include: Kidz Klub; Film club; Piano; Creation Care; science; Junior Ringers (hand chimes and bells, Mini ring, virtual ringers and tower bells).

We have a weekly community hub where we provide food and chat.

We have a rolling targeted growth plan which has significantly grown an all-age congregation over the last nine years, a PCC which represents all age groups including our children. PCC members include school staff and are governors at the school.

A Gold Eco Church award, Carbon neutral church with seating capacity for 150 inside and 130 outside, alternating weekly Sunday communion/evensong (lay).

We have all the amenities that people today expect in any public building, water, 3 phase electricity, WiFi, HiFi, Projection, kitchen, toilets, heating, refectory/meeting area, digital visitor information.

If you have any comments, please let me know.

What pioneer ministry is there every week?

Virtual ringers and dumbbell Monday 7:00 – 8:30 pm.



Transitioning junior ringers to tower bells



Tuesday Junior Bell Ringing 7:00 – 8:30



The Cornwall Scout and Cub Bellringing badge was devised by Bradoc Church and St Mabyn Scout Group and Launched in 2018 at Royal Cornwall Show by Bishop Chris.

Junior Ringers includes a range of activities including: -

- learning to ring the mini ring,
- the virtual ringers and dumbbell.
- Hand chimes and hand bells
- Creation care
- Scout and cub badge
- D of E Awards

Warm Wednesdays Community Hub 12:00 – 3:00

All age activities, food, chat and relax. Crafts, games, model



Open the book Thursdays 1:50 – 3:15

An Ecumenical adventure with Connon Chapel at Braddock Church for 119 children



Kidz Klub Thursdays 3:15 – 4:15



An ecumenical after school club with Connon Chapel at Braddock School for 22 children

Piano Project any day of the week

Allowing our community to learn and express themselves on a beautiful piano



Safeguarding and Training



14 members of our open the book team being trained by the OTB Regional Trainer

We also offer group training for those who want to undertake, Basic awareness, Foundation, Abuse, Modern Slavery and recruiting.

All 28 of our volunteers who need db's checks and training have the requisite qualifications and checks

Messy Church Film Club Tuesday 5:00 – 7:00 pm & Junior ringing Tuesday 7:00 to 8:30 pm

January sees our young people's club times change on Tuesday evenings.

As well as our normal messy activities we will be watching films, on the big screen in the chapel/refectory which holds 20 people. To allow us to do this we have put a temporary curtain across the double entrance arches to keep us warm while we wait the arrival of our automated glass sliding doors and ramp.

We have applied for a grant too, for brighter computer projectors so that we can show films in the very big screens in the main body of the church to 120 people



As a film club we have access to over 700 films.

We will show films on the first and third Tuesday and make films on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month.

We will make moving pictures and film using:

- Stop motion
- Flip books
- Thaumatrope
- Zoetropes

We will be choosing the characters, sets and props, out of clay, models, actors, card, writing scripts and story boards.

Staring in and filming and editing and showing fun films and information films to show at church..



We will make a model and film of the Battle of Bradoc Down for display helped by our Warm Wednesday modelers.

