Pensans Post

Autumn term 28/09/2018



Dear Parents and Carers,

Our virtue this week was co-operation and fittingly I wanted to pass on my thanks to so many this week for so many reasons.

Thank you to everyone who made or donated a cake and also to those who came up to school for a coffee, cake and a bit of a natter. So far today we have raised £134 for the vital services provided by Macmillan Cancer Support.



Thank you also to parents and carers for your continued patience whist we continue to implement our new accelerated reading programme. Please remind your child that they should change their reading or free reader book if needed on Monday morning so they can keep up their daily reading practice while the library is closed. There is more on the new reading programme at www.arbookfind.co.uk

Finally, thank you also to Varfell Farm for their amazing donation of flower bulbs. Our gardening club children will be planting these around our school under the watchful eye of Alana, our school cook, who has organised the donation.

I hope you are able to enjoy the sunshine this weekend.

Angela Clay

We will be sending home parent consultation letters next week. Please let us know on the letter what times you are available and we will book you a ten minute appointment. Parent consultations are a really valuable opportunity for you to discuss pupil progress with your child's teacher. The consultations will take place after school week commencing the 15th October on the following days:

EYFS: Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th

Green:To be confirmed Orange: To be confirmed

Lime: Tuesday 16th and Weds 17th

Amber: Tuesday 16th and Wednesday 17th Cobalt: Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th Violet: Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th Indigo:Monday 15th and Wednesday 17th Emerald: Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th Turquoise: Monday 15th and Friday 19th





Is your child's class attendance on track? Our Autumn attendance target is 97%. At 93.58% attendance we are below our target.

Whole School	93.58%	AMU
Turquoise	96.97%	1
Indigo	90.76%	9
Emerald	93.83%	6
Cobalt	91.59%	7
Amber	94.67%	5
Violet	96.63%	2
Lime	96.3%	3
Green	91.39%	8
Orange	88.64%	10
Bumblebees	95.06%	4
Class	Weekly %	Rank

School Dinners

Week commencing 01/10/2018 is week 1. School menus and their weeks are on our school website.

Are you following us on Twitter?

Keep up-to-date with all of the exciting things that are going on @pensansschool

Please keep your eyes peeled for a lost silver ring. It may be on the field.







Computer and video games have a Pan-European Game Information (PEGI) rating printed on the front of the case. If your child is at Pensans, any game they play or watch should have a green PEGI. Please be aware that playing games out of their age range is a child protection issue and be aware of what they are playing. Even if your child is only watching an older family member playing a game with a 12, 16 or 18 rating, they still are being exposed to unsuitable material.

Stars of the week



Bumblebees	Faith	For always being enthusiastic about her learning.
Orange	Harrison	For great co-operation with his classmates and being on fire in maths.
Lime	Luna	For being independent and determined to finish a task.
Green	Lola	For co-operating with other children, with adults and with school rules.
Cobalt	Archie	For his amazing maths knowledge and impressive retelling of his Mexican folktale.
Violet	Toby	For becoming more independent and keen at school. Lovely!
Amber	Jodie	For striving for excellence in all her work. Jodie is focused, listens well and does her absolute best in everything.
Turquoise	Millie	For an incredible start to Year Five! Thank you for not only giving your best in everything but for bringing out the best in others too!
Indigo	Reegan	For your enthusiasm and focus in your literacy learning, especially with your relative clause sentences!
Emerald	Faith	For amazing maths and her resilience! Well done Faith.

Volunteering matters

If you would be keen to be a Read with Me Volunteer, please speak to Mrs Mungles. She will talk you through the volunteering process and how your time could benefit the reading skills of phase 1





HERE ARE THIS WEEKS MATHLETES:

ORANGE - SKYLA

COBALT JENNY AND POPPY

ParentPay

Please can all parents and carers check their ParentPay accounts and ensure that all outstanding amounts are settled eg for swimming sessions and dinners. Please could all meals, swimming sessions and breakfast / PARC clubs be paid for in advance. As you are aware, Pensans is a "No Debt" school to avoid debts accumulating and the impact this has on families and the school. Please contact the office staff or headteacher if you have any queries.



Pick-up point

If you would like to use our pick-up point this term, please ask at the office for a sign up form. This includes parents who were using it last year as we need to refresh and check the details we have on file. Using our pick up at the end of the school day means that you don't have to worry about parking in or around school. Parents/carers are given time slots depending on the year group of their oldest child.



Lost property

We have so much unnamed lost property this term that we have had to bag it up! It will be put outside of the school office on Monday and Tuesday afternoon next week. Anything not claimed will be sent to the charity shop

Check to see if you qualify for Free School Meals!



Eligibility for Free
School Meals from Year
Three onwards is linked to household
income. The more children from Reception
to Y6 who are on Free School Meals
means the more money we get via Pupil
Premium to help improve the attainment
of children in school. To check if you are
eligible for Free School Meals simply let
Mrs Oliver at the school reception know
some very basic details: Names, Dates of
Birth, National Insurance Number and
she will do the rest for you!

Helpfulness when you...

- Notice when someone needs help.
- . Do a service without being asked
- · Give people what they need, not always what they want
- Listen to someone who needs to talk
- · Care for your own needs
- · Ask for help when you need it



Autumn term dates for your diary

15th to 17th October - Parent consultation week - letters to follow next week

22/10/2018 - 26/10/2018 - Half term holiday

Monday 29 October 2018 - INSET day

07/11/2018 - NHS Nasal Flu treatment for Reception to Year 5 if consent given

22/11/2018 - Bag2School collection at 9am

14/12/2018 - EYFS Nativity

21/12/2018 Christmas Holiday begins!