

# Pensans Post

Spring term 20/01/2017



Dear Parents and Carers,  
Our Virtue that we are celebrating next week is 'Peacefulness'. As a school we value respectful communication and always strive to show respect by using peaceful language with your children and yourselves. Please talk to your child about the importance of peace in all of our communities; family units, clubs, schools and larger groups that we are a part of.

We are really looking forward to seeing you at the "Beach Clean on Saturday 28th January so that we can work and have fun together whilst improving our environment. We will be cleaning Marazion Beach – (meeting point in front of the play park opposite St Michael's Mount). It would be fantastic to have your support with this event if you are able to come along with your family. If you think you are able to please let the office know so we have enough equipment and refreshments!

Ms Angela Clay - Headteacher

You are practising *Peacefulness* when you ...

- Create inner peace with daily reflection or prayer
- Use peaceful language even when you are angry
- Speak gently and respectfully
- Avoid harming anyone
- Appreciate differences
- Find peaceful solutions to every problem

#### Affirmation

*I am peaceful. I use peaceful words and find fair solutions when differences arise. I find my inner peace and let it carry me gently through the day.*



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[@pensansschool](https://twitter.com/pensansschool).

The Department for Education have created a new category: "Coasting schools". Schools that have been deemed as 'Good' by OFSTED in their previous inspection are now judged against a new list of DfE criteria which examines the test results from the end of Key Stage 2 from 2014, 2015 and 2016. They have looked to see:

- If any subject has a result where less than 85% of the children have reached Level 4+ OR,
- If any subject has a result where less than 85% of the children have reached the new at Expected level in any subject in 3 consecutive years

As a result of these new criteria we are considered to be a Coasting school. We are welcoming a dialogue with the Regional Schools Commissioner Rebecca Clark who will be liaising with to ensure that your children achieve their potential.

On Tuesday the 17<sup>th</sup> January, Pensans High Fives Team went to Mounts Bay Dome to play against Mousehole School. It was a great game with enthusiastic team spirit. The team was: Calum, Tommy, Hyelie, Sophie, Vianna and Faith. The final score was 0-6. It was the first time we had ever played together as a team and for two players it was the first time they had played. We are training hard towards winning our next match.

By Tommy,  
Turquoise Class



Our classrooms are looking incredible and we are so lucky to have had a lot of help at the end of the December term from some lovely parents. A HUGE thank you to everyone who worked so hard – the children were amazed by their new displays and we couldn't have done it without you!



### Playground Leaders

We have some wonderful Year 5 and 6 Playground Leaders who set up, run and pack away exciting activities for the rest of the pupils to join in with at lunchtimes. Great fun is being had by all! Our amazing Playground Leaders are: Rosco, Lewis, Adam, Vianna, Rehanne, Matthew, Callum, Joe, Finnley, Charlotte, Tommi, Corey and Rubie. They are all doing a superb job!



Is your child's class attendance on track? Our spring attendance target is 97%. At 95.23 % we are below target this week.

Class	Weekly %	Rank
Butterflies	98.57%	1
Butterflies 2	94.55%	8
Orange	96.67%	4
Green	92.5%	10
Lime	94.07%	9
Violet	97.04%	3
Amber	94.69%	7
Magenta	94.81%	6
Emerald	98.15%	2
Indigo	95.20%	5
Turquoise	91.29%	11
Whole school	95.23%	



It has been lovely to see that many of you, have logged into Reading Cloud, created your own avatar and written a few lines to describe yourself. It is encouraging to read your enthusiastic book reviews and recommendations to friends. Don't forget to give your review a star rating, from one to five stars! I know many of you have found that clicking on **Who Next?** has been very helpful for suggesting other authors that you might enjoy reading. **Meet the Authors** allows you to watch videos of your favourite authors introducing their books! See what the most popular books and authors are by using the **Trending** word cloud. Have fun with Reading Cloud, join in together and become part of our school reading community!

This weeks Star book review is from Bernadette who wins a Book Bank Voucher:

### Goth Girl and the Fete Worse Than Death by Chris Riddell

Goth Girl is a really good read. I have read other books by the same author and they are all really good. I found it really exciting. It is part of a sequence, but they don't have an order. You find out loads of exiting things, that you didn't know about the character. It is exciting all of the way through, but still has a big finish.



To login go

to [www.readingcloud.net](http://www.readingcloud.net)

Use your child's reader number as the password and user name found on their reading record or in their planner.

Our Pick Up Point is well used but we really need the help of pick up point users please. If you have a KS2 child who comes out of school later, please come to school at the later time slot you have been allocated (even if you have a younger child). If you do arrive a bit earlier than your child and a queue forms behind you, you need to drive around the block until your child is there. Many thanks for helping to make the system more efficient and the roads and car park a safer place! Please contact the office if you would like to start using Pick Up Point.

**PICK  
UP  
POINT**





### Stars of the week

Butterflies	Zelah	For caring for her friends in the classroom.
Butterflies 2	Chanelle	For always being caring to her friends and for being more confident with her talking and learning.
Orange	Imogen	For a quiet determination in her fish facts research.
Lime	Amon	For working hard all week and being really determined.
Green	Eigirdas	For always being a positive member of green class.
Violet	Perran	For a much improved attitude to his work and classmates.
Amber	Cephia	For consistently showing tolerance and many other virtues. Cephia never needs reminding of how to treat others or how to behave.
Magenta	Ksaveras	For his 2 digit subtraction and using his independence to work with focus.
Emerald	Nelly	For settling in really well to Emerald and beginning to show real enthusiasm for her work and learning.
Turquoise	Jessica	For working independently and showing tolerance.
Indigo	Dillon	For making good efforts with his work and being a consistently top friend to others.

### Dates for your diary

- **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January** – KS1 Parents Open Morning
- **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> January** – School Beach Clean (Marazion Beach – meet at play park opposite Mount @ 10am).
- **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February** – School Technology day (more info to follow)
- **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February** – No school – Parent Consultation Day / INSET day
- **13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> February** – Spring half term

Please remember that these diary dates and more are on the school website as well. Always useful if you don't have a newsletter handy!



School menus are on our school website and on the noticeboard by the school reception. There is also a handy guide to tell you which week is which. Week commencing 23/01/2017 is week 1.