

# Pensans Post



Spring term 08/03/2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our whole school focus has been to improve Reading and Writing this year. To achieve this we have:

- Introduced the Accelerated Reader Program.
- Increased the time that children have to enjoy reading independently
- Trialled different approaches to the teaching of reading in small groups and 1-1
- Given children more opportunities for choice and autonomy in independent pieces of writing when practising the skills that have been taught.

This week Mrs Pope spoke with children across the school to find out how they feel about the new approaches. Their feedback was overwhelmingly positive and we are delighted.

Thank you for your support and curiosity -this is a major factor in driving your child's enjoyment and achievement.

Also, congratulations to the four new members of our Year 6 Headship Team. Ben (Head Boy), Sennen (Head Girl) and deputies Loui and Scarlett. They have made a great start in their roles by organising Red Nose Day. Please read their appeal letter on page 4.

Well done to our choir last week for your lovely singing at the St Piran's concert. And also to our Year 4s who all danced with great enthusiasm in the St Piran's Parade. They looked amazing (see page 5 montage) in their new white sweatshirts, kindly donated by the Friends of Pensans with money raised by parents and families at their fundraising events!

Have a great weekend!

Angela Clay

## Spring term dates for your diary

Swimming after Feb half term: Bumblebees / Lime / Orange / Violet / Cobalt

—Monday 25/03/2019 to Friday

-29/03/2019 - Mock SATS week for Year 6s

-Friday 15/03/2019 - Red Nose Day! Please see the letter on page 4 of this newsletter!



-Tuesday 02/04/2019 - Phase 1 Final outcome event for parents & carers

-Wednesday 03/04/2018 - Phase 2 Final outcome event in school- 2pm - 5:30pm for parents & carers

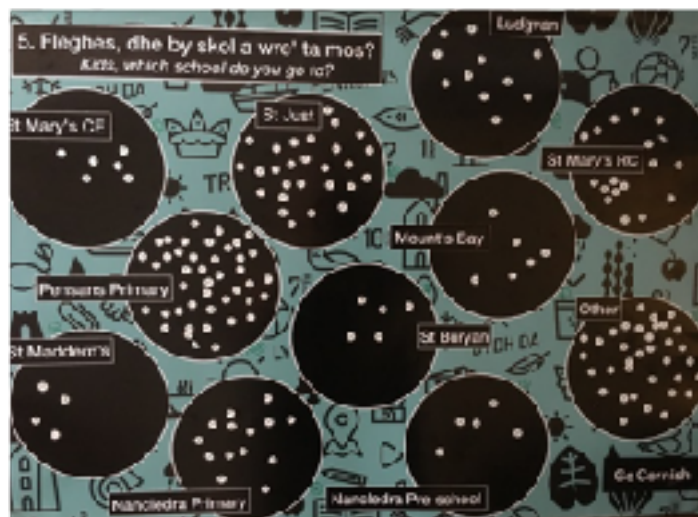
-Monday 08/04/2019 to Monday

-22/04.2019 - Easter holidays

-Tuesday 23/04/2019 - First day of summer term

-Thursday 02/05/2019 - Bag2School collection @ 9am

Meur Ras (Thank you) to all the children and parents who came along for the Cornish Treasure Trail last Saturday. Pensans had the biggest support by far, as you will see from the pictures! I hope you all had fun and enjoyed a cakey-tea or two!





Is your child's class attendance on track? Our Spring attendance target is 97%. We are at 94.69% attendance this week - less than our target because of the bugs going around currently.

Class	Weekly %	Rank
Bumblebees	98.29%	1
Orange	96.31%	5
Green	96.62%	4
Lime	93.12%	7
Violet	95.83%	6
Amber	87.61%	10
Cobalt	91.54%	9
Emerald	98.08%	2
Indigo	97.44%	3
Turquoise	92.21%	8
Whole School	<b>94.69%</b>	



# School Dinners

Week commencing 11/03/2019 is week 2. 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



## You are practicing *Self-discipline* when you...

- Use detachment so your emotions won't control you
- Speak and act calmly when you are hurt or angry
- Create routines that bring peace and order to your day
- Practice moderation
- Do what is expected without anyone watching over you
- Do things on time

### Affirmation

*I have self-discipline.  
I use my time well and get things done.  
I choose my actions with detachment.*



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**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	Kajus	For always being ready and eager to learn
Orange	Morgan	For her positive attitude to learning and determination in maths
Lime	Jesse	For his determination and excellence when working out sums in maths.
Green	Archie	For trying harder to make sensible choices and excellent progress with his reading.
Cobalt	Inigo	For a massive amount of enthusiasm for his learning this week!
Violet	Toby	For excellence in maths. Great enthusiasm and pride in your work this week. Well done.
Amber	Mikey	For settling so well at Pensans. He is already showing signs of being a very valuable and much liked member of Amber Class.
Turquoise	Scarlett	For being an excellent role-model at all times, demonstrating exactly why you are our Head Girl! Thank you!
Indigo	Reegan	For the excellence that you have shown in writing and publishing your non-fiction report on space! What a brilliant piece of work!
Emerald	Seth	For his excellent project about space



Mathletics Hall of Fame

## HERE ARE LAST WEEKS MATHLETES:

LIME - KACY

ORANGE - MARLEY

GREEN- RILEY

TURQUOISE -KAYCI



This weeks Times Tables Rock Star is:

Billy - Emerald Class  
- 0.7 seconds!

Please can all parents and carers check their ParentPay accounts and ensure that all outstanding amounts are settled eg for swimming sessions and dinners. All meals, swimming sessions and breakfast / PARC clubs need to 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.





Congratulations to William in Indigo for winning a silver medal at the Peninsula Schools Judo Competition. William (pictured below, far right, with his Judo club) represented Pensans School at Mullion School on Wednesday. A fantastic result!



Keyboard lessons - Mark from Cornwall Music Service Trust has vacancies for keyboard. His lessons are very popular and take place before school once a week. If you are interested simply visit their website or call 01872 246043. Pupil Premium students are eligible for free lessons.



# RED NOSE DAY

Red Nose Day - Comic Relief - Friday March 15th 2019



Dear Parents/Carers

Pensans School would like your support with Red Nose day on Friday 15th March.

As we are a plastic free school we aim to use as little single use plastic in our school as possible. Therefore for Red nose day this year we are asking everyone instead of buying a plastic red nose, to show their support in different ways.

Here are a few suggestions:

- Make your own red nose out of paper or other materials
- Wear your own clothes on the day and include something red or pink
- Use face paint to decorate your nose or face
- Wear some red make - up or hairspray

Please can the children bring in a donation of 50p or above to support this valuable cause.

The school's Pupil Parliament will be running an assembly on the day about Comic Relief as well as running a cake stall after school. They would really appreciate your support in making a cake donation to sell on the day after school. Please bring any cake donations in on the morning of the 15th March.

Many thanks for your kind and generous support.

The Pensans School Headship Team

# RED NOSE DAY

# St Piran's Parade 2019

