

Pensans Post

Autumn term 19/10/2018



Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to thank all parents and carers for coming along to the parent consultations. I hope these were valuable and informative. For anyone that was not able to attend, please ask your child's teacher for an appointment as these consultations are a statutory requirement. Thank you also for returning your student information forms with any updated details and signing a Parent/School Agreement. Your signed agreements will be returned to you after half-term for your reference.

Have a lovely half term and we will see everyone on Tuesday 30th October after the INSET day on Monday the 29th.

Angela Clay



Last week we took part in two Year 5/6 High Five matches. Considering our team had never played in a High Five match before, they put in a very solid performance. Our first match was against St Piran's School which we lost 8:1 & our second match was against Newlyn School which we lost 6:0. Most impressive was their perseverance, which was sustained throughout the matches, as well as their positive attitudes. They showed improvement as the games progressed & I am confident that in their next matches they will be even more improvement as they raise their bar. Well done team!

You are practicing

Patience

when you...

- Calmly tolerate a delay or confusion
- Are willing to wait for things you want
- Set goals and persevere until they are met
- Do something now that will help you in the future
- Accept things you cannot change with humor and grace
- Are tolerant when mistakes are made

Affirmation

I am patient. I am gentle with others and myself when we make mistakes. I wait calmly. I trust that things will turn out right.

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**Operation
Encompass**

Supporting children through key adults



Is your child's class attendance on track? Our Autumn attendance target is 97%. We are at 93.00% attendance this week - slightly lower than average because of a sickness bug.

Class	Weekly %	Rank
Bumblebees	89.36%	9
Orange	94.23%	3
Green	85.65%	10
Lime	94.69%	4
Violet	99.04%	1
Amber	92.07%	7
Cobalt	94.22%	6
Emerald	94.24%	5
Indigo	89.43%	8
Turquoise	97.12%	2
Whole School	93.00%	



School Dinners

Week commencing 29/10/2018 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



Do you have a child born between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015?

If so, you will need to apply for a place in a reception class in September 2019 for that child by the deadline of **15 January 2019**.

Please note that attending a school's nursery does not guarantee your child a place at that school - you still need to apply. The criteria in the school's admission arrangements will be used to allocate places.

Visit www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions for more information and to access the online application system

Need help with your application?

Contact the Family Information Service on **0800 587 8191**

www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

The deadline for applications is 15 January 2019



www.cornwall.gov.uk



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	Freya	For always showing enthusiasm and being helpful in class
Orange	Rebecca	For always being ready to work and persevering when she wrote her life cycles.
Lime	Rylan	For trying hard all day, asking for help and completing the tasks
Green	Malachi	For trying hard with all his work and for improved independence with great positive attitude and behaviour.
Cobalt	Sophia	For her lovely uplevel of her Mexican folktale.
Violet	Frank	For always having a ready smile and being a model Y3 pupil.
Amber	Luke	For showing tremendous effort in his Mexican story and really going for excellence.
Turquoise	Alfie	For being recognised as friendly, supportive, kind and patient by his classmates.
Indigo	Chloe	For a brilliant description and exciting piece of writing about Zeus - it was a joy to read!
Emerald	Keeley	For her fantastic character description. Well done!

HERE ARE THIS WEEKS MATHLETES:

GREEN - CHARLIE S

LIME - IMOGEN

ORANGE - TEGAN

AMBER - MATT

EMERALD - JOSH W

TURQUOISE - PERRAN

INDIGO - CALLUM- GOLD, SILVER AND BRONZE!



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.





Autumn term dates for your diary

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

Monday 29/10/2018- INSET day

Friday 02/11/2018 - Halloween disco - details to follow

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

Wednesday 14/11/2018 - Harlequin for the family and individual photos on the 14th November starting at 8am in the hall with family groups.

Thursday 22/11/2018 - Bag2School collection at 9am

Friday 14/12/2018 - EYFS Nativity

Friday 21/12/2018 Christmas Holiday begins!

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!

We have had a reported case of **Norovirus** in our Early Years classes and will be having a deep clean over the half term. If your child has any signs of this highly contagious virus (diarrhoea/vomiting) please see the poster below. There is nothing the GP can prescribe for sickness and diarrhoea. A chemist may be able to provide rehydration solutions. Contact your GP or NHS 111 to seek advice if the symptoms last longer than a few days, or visit [nhs.uk/norovirus](https://www.nhs.uk/norovirus) for more information.

Diarrhoea and vomiting in children

There's no specific cure for stomach bugs such as **Norovirus**. See tips to reduce the spread and treat symptoms

Keep kids home from school for



after symptoms have passed. This is enough time to let the virus run its course

If your child already has a serious illness, or symptoms last longer than a few days, contact your GP to seek advice

Visit [nhs.uk/norovirus](https://www.nhs.uk/norovirus)



25 different strains of Norovirus are known to affect humans.

They're the most common cause of stomach bugs in the UK

Home Treatment



Paracetamol is useful for fever or aches and pains



Give kids plenty of water to stay hydrated and replace lost fluids



If your child feels like eating, give them bland foods

MBFDC - HOLIDAY CAMPS

October Half Term 2018



Dates

Wednesday 24th October - ***NEW*** Multi Sports Camp (fun sports available!)
 Thursday 25th October - Football Camp
 Friday 26th October - Football Camp

Totals: 4-8yrs

10am - 12pm

£6 per day, £10 for two days or £12 for three days

Pros: 7-13yrs

10am - 3:30pm

£15 per day, £20 for two days or £30 for three days

Venue

Mounts Bay Academy Sports Centre, Penzance, TR18 3JT

Come and have some fun with the MBFDC coaches during the school holidays, we welcome players from any school or sports / football club

Register & pay online or turn up on the day

www.mbfdc.co.uk

Contact

Kevin Lawrence - Head of Football Development
 Mounts Bay Football Development Centre
 01738 352323 ext-2
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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.



We have had a number of parents commenting on other parents not using the correct car seats, or worse still, none at all. As a result of this worrying situation, we have asked the local police to come to school and do a spot check early next term. Please ensure your child has the correct car seat for their weight. Children must use a child car seat until they're 12 years old or 135 centimetres tall, whichever comes first.

<https://www.gov.uk/child-car-seats-the-rules>

<https://www.childcarseats.org.uk/>

Child's weight	Group	Seats
0kg to 10kg	0	Lie-flat or 'lateral' baby carrier, rear-facing baby carrier, or rear-facing baby seat using a harness
0kg to 13kg	0+	Rear-facing baby carrier or rear-facing baby seat using a harness
9kg to 18kg	1	Rear- or forward-facing baby seat using a harness or safety shield
15kg to 25kg	2	Rear- or forward-facing child car seat (high-backed booster seat or booster cushion) using a seat belt, harness or safety shield
22kg to 36kg	3	Rear- or forward-facing child car seat (high-backed booster seat or booster cushion) using a seat belt, harness or safety shield