

# Pensans Post

Autumn term 21/09/2018



Dear Parents and Carers,

We will be holding a Macmillan Coffee Morning next Friday 28th September in the school hall at 10.30am. Many of us have been affected by cancer either directly or indirectly through friends and family. Macmillan provide an incredible support for everyone impacted by cancer and we are hoping to raise as much money as possible and spend some time together - eating cake! If you are not able to join us but would like to contribute cakes or money donations to help money please send in cakes on Friday morning.

Have a good weekend!

Angela Clay

## New Pensans Reading System!

We are always finding ways to engage our children with reading and encourage a love of books and we are introducing a new whole school reading initiative. Accelerated Reader is a complete reading system which allows children to be introduced to exciting age and level appropriate books and then challenges them to complete a quiz in order to gain points....and what do points make? PRIZES!

The library will be closed for the next week while we are setting up the new colour coded scheme and busy selecting many brand new titles for the children. It would be helpful if you could remind your child to 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. Books will still be available for the children in their classroom libraries as usual during this time. If you want to find out more please use the website below, click on parent and read the guide which explains all about Accelerated Reader.

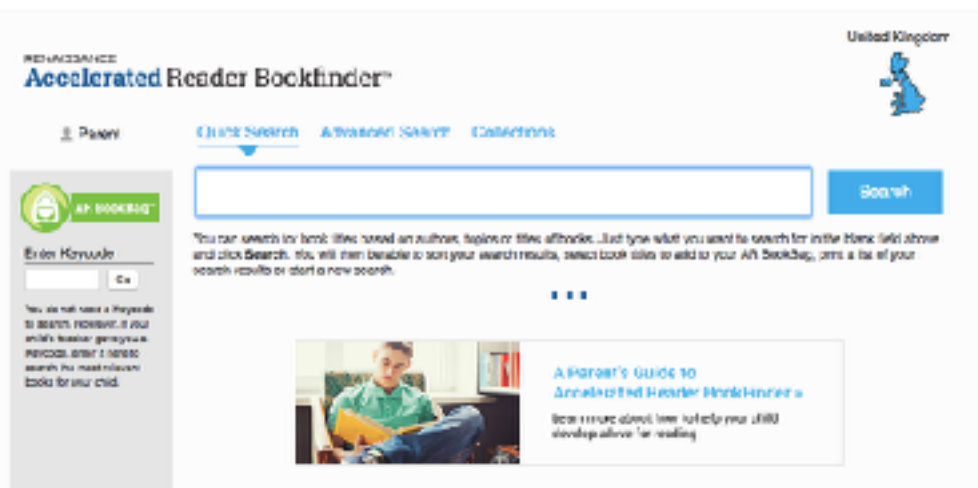
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WORLD'S BIGGEST  
**COFFEE  
MORNING**

WE ARE  
MACMILLAN.  
CANCER SUPPORT

28th September 2018

Help us raise vital funds  
for cancer research on  
Friday 28th September  
@ 10:30am. Cake  
contributions gratefully  
received!



Is your child's class attendance on track? Our Autumn attendance target is 97%. At 94.76% attendance we are below our target.

Class	Weekly %	Rank
Bumblebees	99.59%	1
Orange	91.41%	9
Green	92.31%	7
Lime	93.55%	6
Violet	98.99%	2
Amber	98.64%	3
Cobalt	94.69%	5
Emerald	95.74%	4
Indigo	91.91%	8
Turquoise	90.79%	10
Whole School	<b>94.76%</b>	



# School Dinners

Week commencing 24/09/2018 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

## Would you child like to learn the guitar?

Further details available via letters on reception desk or sign up on [www.cornwallmusicstrust.org](http://www.cornwallmusicstrust.org)  
Pupil Premium children are eligible for free lessons.



## Lost ukelele!

Can you help Maisie in Emerald Class find her Ukelele? It is pink and has her initials MW on it. It was stored in a black case with MW on too. It has been missing since the KS2 concert at Penwith College and is a much loved birthday present!



**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	William	William Lee for using his courage this week.
Orange	Jago	For his quiet, conscientious attitude to his work and friendly attitude to his class mates.
Lime	Jesse	For being on task and using his friends to help him.
Green	Matteo	for being a good friend to everyone and making a fantastic start to Year 1.
Cobalt	Isabella	for her calm demeanour in the classroom and persistence when completing tasks.
Violet	Fynn	For showing excellent initiative and independence skills. A great improvement in his confidence too!
Amber	Fred	for showing great determination in his work and striving for excellence.
Turquoise	Bailey and Ryan	For showing a huge amount of courage, joyfulness and determination when hosting our 'friendliness' assembly.
Indigo	Reuben	For your enthusiasm in all your learning - in and out of school!
Emerald	Jory	For showing friendliness in every situation.

## PE kit Reminder



PE kits should be in school from Monday to Friday and taken home at weekends to be washed.

PE kit is:

Black tracksuit bottoms, black leggings or black shorts.  
House Team t-shirt Red, Yellow, Blue or Yellow.

## PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCY

In our school we have provision for two parent governors and there is currently one vacancy. No special qualifications are needed and the most important thing is to have a keen interest in the school and be prepared to play an active part in the governing body's work. Training is available for all governors and this governing body has an expectation that those new to being a governor attend free induction training.

If you would like to stand for election please ask at reception for a nomination form and return it to the school no later than Monday 8th October.

## 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.



## Is your child in the correct and legal car seat?

Child Restraint Categories	Seat Facing	Weight & Age	Typical Examples
Baby Seats	Rear Facing	For Babies up to 13kg (Approx age birth to 12-15 months)	
Child Seats	Forward Facing	For Children 9kg up to 18kg (Approx 9 months to 4 years)	
Booster Seats	Forward Facing	For Children 15kg and up (From approx 4 years)	
Booster Cushions	Forward Facing	For Children 22kg and up (From approx 6 years)	

The consequences of ignoring the legal requirements could be expensive (at best) or fatal (at worst). Police are able to administer an on-the-spot fine which could be as much as £500 if the case is referred to court. Remember, the driver of the vehicle is responsible for ensuring all passengers are safely strapped in. If you're the driver, always check.



### \* After school clubs \*

Clubs letters have been returned today. Please make sure that you check your child has been accepted into the clubs of their choice and keep the slip somewhere safe to remind you of the pick up times and places.

## Autumn term dates for your diary

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.

14/12/2018 - EYFS Nativity

22/11/2018 - Bag2School collection

21/12/2018 Christmas Holiday begins!

### Mathletics

All the children have their new logins and homework has been set for them to complete weekly in Mathletics. If you are struggling to access it at home please let your child's class teacher know so that we can give them time to complete this in school. The expectation is that this is completed each week as it greatly supports your child's learning and mental arithmetic. Thank you for your continued support.

### Songs of Praise

On Saturday 8th September members of our school choir were invited to take part in the filming of Songs of Praise at St Pol De Leon in Paul. They all sang their hearts out and demonstrated great resilience when we had to repeat some songs 4 times to get the correct recording. Thank you to all the children and parents who represented our school you were amazing. We look forward to seeing you all on Songs of Praise on 16th December.

### 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!



This week our Year 6 children who volunteered, have been trained to be play leaders. They will be running activities designed by them, for all the children to access at lunchtime, under the guidance of our volunteer sports coach Keira. Thank you to all of them for their commitment and enthusiasm.



You are practicing

# Cooperation

when you...

- Work well with others
- Offer your help and ideas freely
- Disagree peacefully and respectfully
- Follow the rules
- Ask for help when you need it
- Help keep a safe, happy environment

**Affirmation**

*I am cooperative. I respect the rules.  
I work and play well with others.  
I keep myself and others safe.*



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## Kitchen competition!

Draw, paint, design your favourite fruit or vegetable



The winners will get their design painted on the wall in the kitchen and get to be the first to sit on the CAPTAIN'S TABLE this year (yummy pudding)

**Good Luck!**

Hand in entries by Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September