

Pensans Post

Summer term 28/06/2019



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for supporting the children at our Sports Days this week. The children had a fantastic time and the PTA raised some much needed funds for the school. Some children find Sports Day tricky and we always support these children appropriately - it is not acceptable to keep your child at home on these days.

Pupil Parliament (pictured right) raised an amazing £58.62 towards a 'Buddy Bench' by bag packing at Tesco this week - thank you Shona Pye and Sarah Trow for facilitating this activity



EYFS had their new parents open evening on Wednesday which was a great opportunity for parents to find out how children are supported with their learning and what you can do at home to help them. If you missed the event please make an appointment to see Helen Smith so that your child gets the best start in Reception.

Our Literary Festival on Wednesday will be a wonderful whole school event that we are very excited about, the children are working hard on performances, writing and story telling. The PTA are preparing stalls, games and a raffle amongst other things. Children are expected to stay at the event until the end of the school day and we hope that you will stay on for the musical performances. For further information please see the timetable on this newsletter and our Facebook page. Tiffany Pope and her team have created an amazing event!

I look forward to seeing tomorrow at the Mazey Day Parade. Please remember that all parents accompanying children also need to be wearing green!

Have a good weekend, Angela Clay

Summer term dates for your diary

Swimming June to July: Bumblebees (Mondays) Violet / Amber Thursdays
Lime / Green (Fridays)

Saturday 29th June - Mazey Day - don't forget to wear all green!

Monday 24th June to Friday 5th July - no swimming for 2 weeks due to pool maintenance

Tuesday 2nd July - Class photos - full school uniform please!

Wednesday 3rd July - Pensans Literary Festival

Friday 12th July - *Cancelled* Year 2 Sleepover *

Friday 12th July - EYFS Sports Day

Friday 12th July - Last day of clubs this term

Wednesday 17th July to Friday 19th July - Year 6 Camp

Wednesday 24th July to Thursday 25th July - Nursery Closed

Thursday 25th July - Last day of summer term

Friday 26th July - First day of summer holidays!





Is your child's class attendance on track? Our Summer attendance target is 97%. As a school we are at 92.51% attendance this week and are below our target.

Class	Weekly %	Rank
Bumblebees	90%	8
Orange	95.83%	2
Green	97.39%	1
Lime	90.95%	7
Violet	95%	3
Amber	94.4%	5
Cobalt	94.62%	4
Emerald	85.52%	10
Indigo	87.2%	9
Turquoise	94.23%	6
Whole School	92.51%	



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You are practicing *Enthusiasm*

when you...

- Smile, laugh and enjoy what you do
- Look forward to something eagerly
- Have a positive attitude
- Do things wholeheartedly
- Look on the bright side
- Are inspired by the wonders of life



Affirmation

I am full of enthusiasm.

I give 100% to whatever I do. I use my imagination.

I am open to the wonders in store for me today.



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Operation Encompass

Supporting children through key adults



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.

Summer Reading Challenge - This years theme is Space and as usual all the children have to do is visit any library and read 6 books throughout the summer collecting stickers and incentives along the way. <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

The National Literacy Trust suggest that, parents can help back up the learning acquired over the year and support language and literacy skills through the summer. It's really important to keep reading with children over the holidays; research has shown that children who read outside the classroom every day are five times more likely to read above the expected level for their age compared to children who never read outside class. Reading will prevent "summer slide" - where a child might forget what they've learned at school in the many weeks off over the holidays.



On Tuesday, all of our Year 5's got to go to a literary workshop at Humphry Davy School run by the author Ross Montgomery. We had a fantastic time!



Well done to Crofty, the winners of our KS2 sports day!



Will did amazing at the Inter schools Judo competition today in Mullion. He had 4 fights and won each of them easily. Getting a gold for the School!

We have popped the afternoon's schedule for our school Literary Festival on the last page of this newsletter. Please take a look and plan your afternoon! The classes will each be doing several performance to make sure you get a chance to see them and everything else that is going on!

Our Literary Festival is also being supported by the 'Room to Grow Project' who are hosting three wellbeing activities in the tips. Pensans children and other local schools have also been invited.

Tipi 1: Wild Tipi - Work with nature in this rich and natural environment to bring a sense of calm to your day.

Tipi 2: The Character Tree - Create your own character tree using your creativity and reflect on all your strengths and passions. Tipi 3: The Rockpool Project - Explore the marine environment from this unique outdoor space.



Some of the fab prizes to be won:

Bike - donated by Halfords
Bike helmet and bell
Family ticket to Geevor Mine
Family ticket to the Telegraph Museum
Jewellery from St Justin
Merlin cinema tickets
Minack Theatre tickets
Camel Creek 2 x family ticket
Country skittles - 30min session for 6 people
Flambards tickets for 2 people
Maritime Museum family ticket
Plus lots more!!!

Tickets will be sent home and on sale in the office.



July 3-6

2019

PENZANCE

Penzance Literary Festival - The friendliest lit fest in the UK!

2019 tickets are now on sale. In a changing world, the theme we've chosen for our 2019 festival - our tenth edition - is Borderlines. We are delighted to launch our 2019 programme with an eclectic and fascinating collection of wonderful talks, events and workshops taking place in Penzance from July 3-6. Printed programmes are now available from many places in Penzance (and further afield). www.pzlitfest.co.uk

School Dinners

Week commencing 01/07/2019 is week 3. Weekly menus are on our school website. If you think your child may be entitled to Free School Meals, please ask in the office. The form just needs a couple of details and gives extra funding to school too! This applies to Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 even though they get Universal Free School Meals.

Stars of the week



Bumblebees	Jake	For trying really hard with his maths!
Orange	Finlay	An improved attitude to school and learning.
Lime	Paige	For her effort and concentration producing beautiful handwriting for her story.
Green	Caitlyn	For her fantastic ideas for writing and trying hard with her reading.
Cobalt	McKenzie	For always being a smiley presence in the class room and around school!
Violet	Levi	For your enthusiasm, helpfulness and hard work this week.
Amber	Jowan Fred	For excellence and determination in his bee story. For putting excellent into his bee story.
Turquoise	Mia	For her incredible creativity and unique approach to her independent writing tasks.
Indigo	Reegan	For his self confidence and effort in his writing this week, you have worked hard and it has paid off! Well done!
Emerald	Emrys	For his elite persuasive writing. We are all very proud of you!



Our Mathletes this week are: -



Green - Riley & Matteo
Amber - Rosie

This term, money owed from payment items older than one year has now moved into a new payment item called 'Overdue payments' so that ParentPay accounts are more streamlined. Please can all parents and carers check their ParentPay accounts and ensure that all outstanding amounts are settled. If you go into Transaction History - Payment History - and look in the notes column, it will detail what that charge is for.

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.



Cornwall Council's Early help hub team are offering a morning of 'family support sessions' to any parents who are seeking some signposting for support at home at **Pensans School on Wednesday 3rd July**. If you are a parent /carer and feel that you may benefit from a confidential appointment please call a member of the office team for a time slot.

Phase 1 Tipi	Phase 2 Tipi	Phase 3 Tipi	Stage
Work on show all afternoon	Work on show all afternoon	Work on show all afternoon	Work on show all afternoon
Samuel Marsden - Children's Author		1.40pm Phase 3 performance singing	1.40pm EYFS performance storytelling
	1.50pm Brass band		1.50pm Phase 1 performance Rap
	2.00pm Phase 2 poetry recital		2.00pm Phase 3 performance singing
2.10pm EYFS storytelling outside the tipi		2.10pm Choir	2.10pm School songwriting group
2.15pm Storytelling with Ellie Baker under the trees			2.20pm Phase 2 poetry recital
	2.30pm Brass Band		2.30pm Breids' brother dance performance
2.45 Phase 1 performance rap			2.40pm School songwriting group
		2.50pm Choir	2.50pm Phase 2 poetry recital
3.00pm Storytelling with Ellie Baker under the trees			3.00pm Phase 1 performance rap
			3.05pm Phase 3 performance singing
	Howlseedes Gwith Fighting demo		3.15pm School Band
			3.30pm Breids' brother dance performance

4.00pm 'Band and Burger' performances by Grace and Brody and selection from Humphry Davy School and Mounts Bay Academy

