

Pensans Post

Spring term 11/03/2016



- 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.*



For the next two weeks our school Virtue will be SELF-DISCIPLINE. Please look at the definition and talk about why this is important with your child and where you and your family use self-discipline; organising your home and daily routine, expressing yourselves calmly even when you are upset or angry, being moderate in your behaviours and actions, getting to school and work on time. I'm sure that you can think of many more examples to discuss.

- Ms Angela Clay - Headteacher

If your child is interested in discounted Penzance Tennis Club taster sessions (just over 50p a week) contact Martin on 07787124003.

Jacob in Magenta Class has been playing at **PZ Tennis Club** this term after being talent spotted at school. He wanted to tell us about his tennis experience last weekend! Read his account below:



I took part in my first tennis tournament away from Penzance. I played five matches. I won two of them. My favourite moments were winning 10-0 and when I was 9-2 down and got it back to 9-9 - but I lost 9-11.

Our pupil parliament will be selling raffle tickets for **Sports Relief** in playtimes from this Monday. If you would like your child to buy a raffle ticket for 50p please send your money in named envelope next week. Let's help Pupil Parliament make a difference!



The **school dinner menu** is available on our website on the "School Kitchen" tab. Paper copies of the menus is also available from the school office. Week commencing the 14th March is Week 1.

http://www.pensansprimary.co.uk/website/fixed_menus/33772



Is your child's class attendance on track?

Our spring attendance target is 97%. At 89.80% we are below target this week.

Class	Weekly %	Rank	Last week
Emerald	94.29%	1	6
Amber	92.9%	2	1
Orange	92.22%	3	3
Lime	92.22%	3	8
Butterflies	91.9%	4	9
Turquoise	91.88%	5	7
Indigo	89%	6	4
Butterflies 2	89%	6	10
Green	87.41%	7	11
Violet	84.06%	8	2
Magenta	82.96%	9	5
Whole school	89.80%		92.33%



We are introducing a more convenient way to pay for school meals, trips, after school clubs and much more online, using a secure service called ParentPay. We have now introduced it to PARC (after school club) users who are already enjoying the convenience of paying online.

We plan to roll it out to other payments in the new summer term. There may be a few teething problems but we hope this will be a really convenient and seamless way of paying for parents. No more queuing at reception to pay or finding coins in the bottom of school bags! It should be very straightforward but if you have any questions at all please ask at the office.



We had some fantastic results in the last **cross country** meeting of the season. Hyelie finished in first position for the 4th consecutive time – you can't get any better than that! And well done to Sadie who finished 13th, an improvement from over 30th last time! Great achievements in their age groups also from Adam in Y4 who came 3rd, Owen in Y6 who came 5th and Hanul in Y6 who came 6th. Well done everyone!

Mr Letchford, Sports Coach





On Tuesday 8th March the **Pensans High Fives Team** went to Mounts Bay to play a match against Heamoor B. It was intense and a close match – we were delighted to win 9-3! The team was made up of Amelia, Freya, Raenie, Holly, Reece, Alex and Owen. Well done! We qualified for the next stage – semi-finals here we come!

By Freya, Raenie, Holly and Amelia



Thanks again to all mums and grannies who made our **Mother's Day** meals sessions a success. It was lovely to see the hall buzzing with smiling faces and lively chatter!



In KS1 we have been busy making our chocolate designs (with a big thanks to Mr Luzmoor for teaching us his chocolate work skills!). A letter went out on Wednesday but just a reminder to all parents/ carers that on Friday 18th March at 11.00am KS1 are having an **Easter Egg Hunt** and we would love if they came to join us for the search. Please complete the reply slip on the bottom of the letter and return to your class teacher.

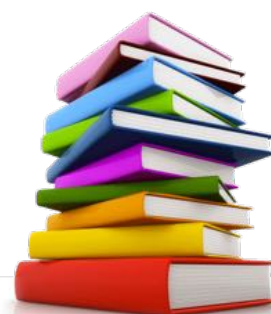
Mrs Hallett

A reminder that the drop off and pick up point in the **school car park** is not a parking bay! If you drive to the pick up point and your child is not there you need to drive around and come back again to avoid causing congestion on the main road.



Also, a growing number of parents are walking their children down the staff car park entrance – if walking past the fire station and down the path towards school, **please walk down the ramp that zig-zags in front of the reception building**. Walking on the road is not a safe option!

The Spring **Book Fair** will now be held after Easter, date to be confirmed, until then there will be a selection of books available for parents to view and buy in reception with some information about our Book Bank, rewards and reading.



A **thank you** and **goodbye** to our Exeter PGCE students Miss Jess Davies and Miss Ruth Trimble who have worked really hard this term in their teaching training. We wish them the best of luck with their future careers.

Stars of the week!

Butterflies	Kian	For trying hard with his learning and showing an 'I can' attitude.
Butterflies 2	Amon	For really engaging with his learning this week and working hard.
Orange	Alexia	For a fabulous attitude to her learning and great phonics work.
Lime	Fynn	For showing the virtue of compassion and trying hard with his writing.
Green	Cephia	For a lovely description of the chocolate room in Charlie and the Chocolate Factory.
Violet	Ignas	For choosing quiet places to work and remembering to ask adults or peers for help when struggling. He has also independently written the Easter story with beautiful pictures.
Amber	Rubie	For constantly showing compassion to others.
Magenta	Aston	For independent learning and staying on task in literacy and numeracy.
Emerald	Tamika	For showing fabulous enthusiasm and independence in her learning in the afternoons. Well done Tamika, its lovely having you in Emerald Class!
Turquoise	Charlie	For completing his story and being focused and enthused during the project.
Indigo	Jessica	For working hard in all areas and targeting her own reading.

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.



Dates for the spring term

- **Fri 11th March** – Last swimming session for KS1
- **Mon 14th March** – Songfest 6:30pm – Chapel St Methodist Church
- **Fri 18th March** – KS1 Easter Egg Hunt
- **Fri 18th March** – Last after school club
- **Thurs 24th March** – Last day of school for Easter Holiday
- **Mon 11th April** – Back to school

