

Pensans Post

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JUNE 20TH
2013

SUMMER DATES

See over for 2013/2014 Dates

Mon June 24th - 1.30pm Yrs 1-3 Sports Day
Fri. 28th - Afternoon Nursery (Ladybirds) closed
Sat. June 29th - Mazey Day Parade 1pm (meet 12.30)
Mon. July 8th - School Closed for INSET Day
Thurs July 11th - Year 6 Performance 1.30pm & 6pm
Fri July 12th - PTA Summer Fete 2pm- 5pm
Mon July 15th-19th - Year 6 Camp to Delaware
Mon 15th July - Early Years Graduation 1.15pm
Mon 15th July - Open Afternoon from 2pm
Mon July 22nd 1.30pm - Year 6 Leavers & Awards
Mon July 22nd - Last day of School Year
Tues. July 23rd - School Closed for INSET Day
Fri July 12th - PTA Summer Fair
July 15th-19th - Year 6 Camp Week (Delaware)
July 18th & 19th - Mary Poppins Production
Friday Sept. 6th - First day of Autumn Term
SATs Week for next Year's Y6 (current Y5) is the week beginning 12th May 2014

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please note that the school **WILL BE CLOSED** to pupils for INSET Training on
Monday July 8th
Tuesday July 23rd

THE BFG VISITS SCHOOL

As part of activities week we hosted a special visit from the BFG who entertained the children with his famous story complete with lots of Whizzbangs and Snozzcumbers!



WE NEED YOUR HELP

SUMMER FETE 2013 - July 12th

The PTA Summer Fete is set for July 12th between 2pm and 5pm. The Fete this year is aimed at being a family orientated event with a chance for parents to sit on the field, enjoy the entertainment and make use of the activities available. These will include:

- A Barbecue
- Live Music
- House Team Football Tournament
- Stalls
- Refreshments
- And much more...



We need your help in two ways. Firstly, we need as many parents as possible to attend the event in order to make it a success. And secondly, the PTA needs volunteers to help run the event. If you are able to help out on the PTA please contact the school office or speak to your child's teacher.

HELP US TO KEEP IMPROVING AND WIN

We have a copy of the Annual Parent Survey attached to this Newsletter. We would appreciate your feedback on the school over this year please. Forms can be returned to the office or to your child's teacher. Thank-you! **All returned forms will be entered into our free £25 Prize Draw.**

TEAM ON TRACK AT NEWQUAY

A team of seven children from Year 5 and 6 represented the school superbly at this year's Goblin Grand Prix held at Newquay Airport. As always the team were led by the Chief Mechanic, Geoff Letchford to whom we are very grateful.



The team (Ricki not in picture) relax in the Pits between races



Tyler takes the chequered flag to win his knock out heat in great style



See lots more Sports Day images over the page

Whisper it quietly, but there is an outside chance that we may complete our Sports Days before the end of June! With the Foundation Stage and Years 4 to 6 Sports Days completed and the **Years 1 to 3 day scheduled for this coming Monday (24th June)** - the traditional game of set a date and wait for the heaven's to open may be avoided this year. Thanks to all of those who have supported the first two Sports Days and well done to all of the children who have competed with such great spirit and boundless enthusiasm so far.

CAN WE BE VICTORIANS EVERYDAY?

The children of Indigo, Violet, Lime and Amber Classes found themselves transported back to the grey and austere world of the Victorian schoolroom on Wednesday of this week. Despite unsmiling teachers, rote learning and threat of severe punishment for even minor misdemeanors, the children loved it!



Mrs Stoddern's Victorian Twin sister proved very popular with Indigo class despite her apparent lack of humour and scary looking stick

MAZEY DAY ARRANGEMENTS

This year's Mazey Day Parade as part of the Golowan Festival will take place on Saturday June 29th. We will be taking part in the 1pm parade and will therefore be meeting at **St John's Hall at 12.30pm**, we would like the all of Years 1 to 6 to take part if at all possible please. Please see your child's class teacher for more details.

SPORTS DAY IMAGES FROM EARLY YEARS & YEARS 4,5 & 6



PENSANS CP SCHOOL - PARENT'S QUESTIONNAIRE 2013

FREE ENTRY TO £25 DRAW FOR ALL COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRES RECEIVED

| GENERAL QUESTIONS Based on the Ofsted Parent Questionnaire | Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
|---|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| My Child is happy at school | | | | | |
| My child feels safe at school | | | | | |
| My child makes good progress at school | | | | | |
| My Child is well looked after at school | | | | | |
| My child is taught well at school | | | | | |
| The school manages behaviour well | | | | | |
| The school deals effectively with bullying | | | | | |
| The school is well led and managed | | | | | |
| I would recommend the school to other parents | | | | | |

| PLEASE RATE THE SCHOOLS PROGRESS IN FOLLOWING AREAS -WE HAVE BEEN TRYING TO IMPROVE THESE THIS YEAR | Very Good | Good | OK | Poor | Very Poor |
|--|-----------|------|----|------|-----------|
| Communication from the school (Newsletters, Facebook,SMS etc.) | | | | | |
| Developing the school grounds for pupil use (Eden Project) | | | | | |
| The new style parent consultation & reports with a grading system for effort, behaviour, etc. and pupil attainment levels being made clear | | | | | |
| The new approach to Homework with more choice to suit a child's interests | | | | | |

Is there anything you would like to see us improve next year or new a initiative you would like to see developed?

Is there anything you particularly like about the school and would be unhappy to see change?

Name of your child Year Group

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire please return this to the school office in order to be entered into the free £25 draw.

Cornwall Council School term dates 2013/14

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AUTUMN TERM 2013 (73 days)

4 September - 20 December
(Half term 28 October - 1 November)

SPRING TERM 2014 (60 days)

6 January - 4 April
(Half term 17 - 21 February)

SUMMER TERM 2014 (62 days)

22 April - 24 July
(Half term 26 - 30 May)

195 days are included on the school calendar. Schools will be open to pupils for 190 days. The 5 additional days are allotted for In-Service Training.

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

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| Christmas Day | 25 December 2013 |
| Boxing Day | 26 December 2013 |
| New Year's Day | 01 January 2014 |
| Good Friday | 18 April 2014 |
| Easter Monday | 21 April 2014 |
| Early May Holiday | 05 May 2014 |
| Spring Bank Holiday | 26 May 2014 |
| Summer Bank Holiday | 25 August 2014 |

Pensans Key Dates 2013-2014

Scheduled Inset Days

Weds 4th & Thurs 5th Sept 2013

Friday October 25th 2013

Friday Jan 31st 2014

Monday June 2nd 2014

Thurs. July 24th 2014

Year 6 SATs Week

May 12th-16th 2014 (no Holidays please)

Sports Days (all from 1.30pm)

Tuesday June 10th - Early Years

Weds. June 11th - Years 1&2

Thursday June 12th - Years 3,4,5 & 6