

Pensans Post

Spring term 09/03/2018



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for being flexible and supportive during the cold weather snap last week. The decision to close the school is never taken lightly and as I'm sure you're all aware the weather across the county can vary enormously.

In the previous newsletter I asked for parents who are passionate about the school and the education of all our children to consider becoming a school governor. If you are interested please ring and arrange to meet up for chat to find out more. I can be flexible regarding meeting days and times.

Many parents have spoken with myself and other staff about their frustration with recurring infestations of Head lice and we share your feelings. Very recently every class had a visit from the hair hygiene team to explain what head lice are and how to avoid and treat them. This team were also present at our parent consultation INSET day to support and advise you. These infestations are at best uncomfortable for the children and at worst upsetting, irritating and painful as well as being expensive to treat. Regular combing with a nit comb following treatment is effective.

So that we can reduce the spread of head lice we are asking from Monday that children's hair is tied up whilst they are in school. If your child has long hair please plait it, pony tails are easier for head lice to travel onto. If you are unsure whether your child's hair needs to be tied just try it... If you can tie it up - it should be tied up! If a child comes to school with their hair down they will be asked to tie it up.

Check your child's hair this weekend - treat it if needed - and I'm looking forward to seeing some creative braided hair styles on Monday. If everyone does this we could be a nit free school!

Have a good weekend, Ms Clay



- 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.

Are you following us on Twitter?



Keep up-to-date with all of the exciting things that are going on @pensansschool.

Volunteering matters

If you would be keen to be a Read with Me Volunteer, please speak to Mrs Smith or Mrs Mungles. They will talk you through the volunteering process and how your time could benefit the reading skills of Pensans 1 children.

We are also looking for any keen volunteers, maybe a dad or grandad who could help maintain our early years outdoor area. Please let us know if you are interested or know anyone who may be!





Is your child's class attendance on track? Our Spring attendance target is 97%. At 89.10% we are under target this week.

Class	Weekly %	Rank
Butterflies	79.55%	10
Orange	90.74%	5
Green	91.38%	3
Lime	93.33%	2
Violet	89.63%	6
Amber	83.33%	9
Magenta	87.83%	8
Emerald	91.11%	4
Indigo	87.92%	7
Turquoise	96.15%	1
Whole School	89.10%	



Phase 2 Fundraising Week for Africa - week commencing 19th March

As part of our fundraising week, we will be running events for the children across the school - we will advertise further details in the newsletter next week.

Everyone is invited to our Jumble Sale / Charity Fair on Friday 23rd March. More details on page 5 and to follow!



School Dinners

School menus are on our school website and on the noticeboard by the school reception. There is also a handy guide to tell you which week is which. Week commencing 12/03/2018 is week 2.



Here are this weeks
Mathlete:

Lime - Petra

Orange - Imogen

Green - Skyla



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



Butterflies

Armel

For showing great interest and enthusiasm for making up dragon dances.



Orange

Jago

For his excellence and determination in working out fractions in maths.



Lime

Ebony

For her fantastic approach to her learning with beautiful outcomes.



Green

Tia

For showing excellence in her match learning and for her determination to succeed.



Violet

Anouk

For striving for excellence with your letter and not giving up.



Amber

Riley

For showing real courage in swimming. Riley's determination has meant that he can now successfully swim on his back.



Magenta

Michael

For your focus in your learning and in particular the way you shone in your cricket lesson with Greg.



Emerald

All Year 6!

For their patience, adaptability and good humour during the very rainy and rearranged St Piran's celebrations.



Turquoise

Alfie

For always giving his best to whatever he is doing and whoever he is doing it with. Alfie, you are an excellent role model to others. Than you!

All Year 6!

For their patience, adaptability and good humour during the very rainy and rearranged St Piran's celebrations.

Indigo

All of Year 6!

For their patience, adaptability and good humour during the very rainy and rearranged St Piran's celebrations.

Dates for your diary Dates for your diary Dates for your diary

Thursday 15th March - World Book Day - wear pyjamas & bring a teddy & story book

Friday 23rd March - Phase 2 Charity Fair

30th March - 13th April - Easter break

Monday 6th May - Bring in your Bag2School Collection items

Tuesday 1st May - Bag2School Collection @9am

Monday 7th May - Bank Holiday

14th May - 18th May - KS2 SATs - full attendance required

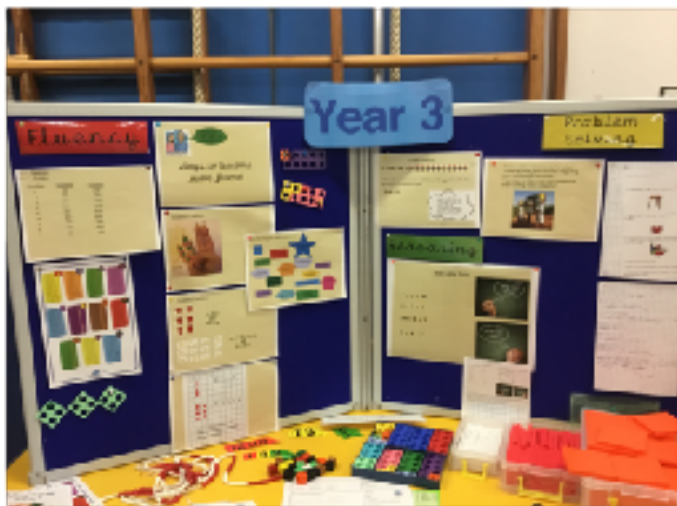
Monday 14th May: Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar papers 1 & 2 / Tuesday 15th May: English Reading paper / Wednesday 16th May: Maths papers 1 & 2 / Thursday 17th May: Maths paper 3

28th May - 1st June - Summer half term

Monday 4th June - INSET day - no school

Wednesday 25th July - start of summer holiday

Please remember that back copies of newsletters and key diary dates are on the school website.



A very big thank you to all the parents and children who came along to our Maths Extravaganza and got to find out about maths teaching and learning at Pensans school. Many enjoyed taking part in the maths challenges and winning the prizes! Remember to look on the school website (pensans.eschools.co.uk) under the Maths tab to find helpful resources.

Mr Clapp has some vacancies for piano / keyboard tuition. Free School Meal families may be entitled to free lessons. Please contact Cornwall Music Service Trust for more information on 01872 246043 - or google their website.

Operation Encompass
Supporting children through key adults

We will be having another bag2school collection on Tuesday May 1st - please save any old clothes, shoes, bedding etc for this. Thanks for everyone's generous and kind support for the Bag2school collection.



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TENNIS CLUB

EASTER TENNIS CAMPS

at Penzance Tennis Club

3rd April – 13th April 2018

		Member	Non-Member
9:00 – 10:00	3-5 years	£4 per session per day	£5 per session per day
10:00 – 12:00	6-10 years	£8 per session per day	£10 per session per day
13:00 – 15:00	11+ years	£8 per session per day	£10 per session per day

- All abilities welcome
- All equipment provided
- LTA qualified coaches
- Develop Tennis Skills
- Fun Games
- Friendly Competitions

Pick and
choose
days to
suit you

LTA
BRITISH
TENNIS

For all enquiries contact Ian Vidgen Head Coach
07582669511 ian.vidgen@hotmail.co.uk
Penzance Tennis Club, Portico Park, Penzance, Cornwall TR18 4HS

Phase 2 are holding a charity fair to help children in Africa on March 23rd. Can you help by donating saleable items and dropping them to school week commencing 19th March?

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Abdron Road
Hammer
Penzance
TR10 8UH

Dear All

Hello. My name is Olivia Tynan and I am 8. We are making money for African children. So many children in Africa don't have the chance to go to school. We want to give them one. At school we are making a fair! My job is the jumble sale and I need your help to make things happen.

How would you like it if your child got diagnosed with a disease by dirty water that they walk two miles per day for?

The children that we are going to sponsor can't go school because most people in Africa are so low on money and therefore too poor to get uniforms. The children need uniforms to attend most schools around the continent. If the children walk 2 miles every day they will not have time to go to school. But I am afraid that's not all, the children have jobs at home. Jobs include hunting, getting water and looking after herds. We can help by giving our money to a charity.

I believe you can help by donating items you don't need for our stall at the fair. It would also be nice to donate some money to us for the African children and for our project.

We would very much like you to do this and so make the African children happy.

yours, Olivia, T

Our fair is on Friday 23rd March 2:00 - 4:00 pm