

Pensans Post

Summer term 22/07/2016



WOW! We have come to the end of a very busy, creative and wonderful year at Pensans. I would like to thank all of you for your support and kindness in my first year as Headteacher. I value your support and I realise that without it we would not have the special community that we build together day by day. Your children are unique and we will always strive to give them the best opportunities to learn and grow as people. We say goodbye to our Year 6 children who have performed perfectly in their end of year play and danced up a storm at the disco. They will be missed for their humour, caring and kindness and we all wish them every success in their new schools.

Don't forget our summer challenge to ALL of the children in the school, is to return in September with a completed creative piece of work related to their summer holiday. It could be: a piece of writing, a model, a sculpture, a film, an animation, a photograph, a piece of music, an investigation and the results, a painting - the choice is yours. As always we would encourage you to support and work with your child so that you can role model learning and have fun together. We will be holding an exhibition of this work in September so get your creative juices flowing and have fun!


Have a great summer!
Ms Clay



The children in Phase 2 have worked incredibly hard over the summer term to answer their essential question, 'How can we plant seeds for future generations?' As well as researching fruit and vegetables they have planted and cared for crops on the roof garden ready for a garden party this week. They even painted planters and fencing and made bunting! Here is a photo of their **Grand Opening** this week which the Mayor attended!

Is your child's class attendance on track?

Our summer attendance target is 97%. At 91.86% we are below target this week.

Class	Weekly %	Rank	Last week
Butterflies	96.11%	2	7
Butterflies 2	85.42%	10	6
Green	89.71%	8	3
Lime	94.02%	6	5
Orange	86.53%	9	2
Amber 	95%	4	1
Magenta	95.73%	3	4
Violet	82.98%	11	9
Emerald	93.49%	7	11
Indigo	94.84%	5	10
Turquoise	96.67%	1	8
Whole school	91.86%		94.02%



ParentPay

We have introduced a more convenient way to pay for school meals, trips, after school clubs and much more online, using a secure service called **ParentPay**. From September onwards we will predominantly be a cash free school. All Pensans parents should now have received an introductory letter with their individual usernames and passwords so that they can make payments for their requested payment item(s). Thank you to all parents for their time and patience with setting up their accounts. If you have yet to sign in to your account you will receive a reminder of your username and password in the post in the summer.

Barcodes

Parents who opt to pay for items with ParentPay barcodes at PayPoint outlets should note that they should only use the barcode relevant to that payment item. Please destroy it after you have used it for a one off payment. Also, only one barcode can be used for one child. If you have more than one child, you need more than one barcode.

Finally, if you overpay when paying via PayPoint, it is not easy or quick to refund the money back to you. It can only be transferred to another payment item when you have one to pay. Please use them with care!



Go For Gold

Go For Gold is the play that the Year 6s performed and it was an amazing experience for all of us - even though some of it was tricky!

Everyone learnt a lot, especially about the angles to stand at. Overall it was really fun and we all worked well as a team.

By Katelyn



Are you following us on Twitter?

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



Children - Why not get stuck into a book or six this summer? Complete the library Summer Reading Challenge and win a prize!

This year the Summer Reading Challenge is based on Roald Dahl's 100 birthday this year, called The Big Friendly Read 2016

Join any public library - Read 6 books of any length/type includes audio and ebooks - Collect prizes throughout the holidays from the library for reading the books - Medal and certificate if challenge completed by September, if evidence of completion brought into school, prize and certificate from us also.

Library and reading books

We are still missing a fair few library and reading books. If you have one, please keep it safe and return it on the first day of the school term. Any lost or damaged books will need a £5 contribution from parents for replacements.

Avid Reader cards

If your child has nearly finished their Avid Reader stamp card and they wish to continue it next term, please could you take it from their planner/reading record and keep it safe ready for the new school year.

An important reminder to ALL parents but especially those who currently have children in Year 2 or Nursery who are moving into Reception. If you think you may be eligible for **Free School Meals**, please make an application via the county council website. The more parents registered for Free School Meals from Reception through to Year 6, the more Pupil Premium funding our school receives from the Government. Pupil Premium is additional funding which enables our school to provide extra support to children and enable pupils to reach their full potential.

Children who move into Year 3 are no longer eligible for free meals through the Universal Infant Free School Meals scheme, so please ensure you make an application in time for the new term if you think you may be eligible.

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.

If you would like to query the appropriateness of a game you're your child a useful website is:

www.commonsensemedia.org





Personal Information and Permissions forms

Thank you to everyone who promptly returned their updated Personal Information and Permissions forms. If you haven't already returned yours, please could you keep it safe and return it to the office on the first day back in September. There is a secure mail slot in the office desk if you would like to post them in there.

You are practicing *Creativity* when you ...

- Discover your gifts
- Use knowledge and training to develop them
- Think of new ways to make things work better
- Use your imagination
- Take time for dreaming
- Do things in your own creative way

Affirmation

I am creative

I have special gifts and use discipline to develop them. I am open to inspiration. I am happy to be myself.

If you need to order any **school uniform** over the summer holidays, the uniform order form is on the Pensans website. You can call or email Trophy Textiles your order and pay over the phone. They have a shop near Camborne Tesco's for collections or can arrange for items to be posted.

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enquiries@trophytextiles.co.uk

Dates for your diary

- **Wednesday 7th September** - Autumn term begins
- **24th - 28th October** - Autumn half term
- **21st December - 4th January** - Christmas holidays
- **Thursday 5th January** - Spring term begins
- **Friday 10th February** - INSET day
- **13th - 17th February** - Spring half term
- **3rd - 17th April** - Easter Holidays
- **Monday 1st May** - Bank Holiday
- **29th May - 2nd June** - Summer half term
- **Monday 5th June** - INSET day
- **Friday 7th July** - INSET day
- **Wednesday 26th July** - Last day of summer term

Please remember that these diary dates and more are on the school website as well. Always useful if you don't have a newsletter handy!

