

Pensans Post



Autumn term 18/01/2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week our attention has been drawn to a couple of safety issues which I'd like to share with you.

You will have received a text from school regarding the impact of building works on the road outside school. Currently there is no pedestrian crossing outside Penwith College, we are communicating with the companies involved to address this issue. The safest way for children to make their way to school is for them to walk to Kath our Lollipop Lady who will see them safely across to the school entrance. If your child walks to school please talk with them about this issue.

You will find a link to the second safety issue below. There has been a report on Cornwall Live regarding children being groomed whilst playing Fortnite. Although this game is rated as unsuitable for children under the age of 12 we are aware that many children play this game. Please follow the link and take the steps that are recommended to keep your child safe.

<https://www.cornwalllive.com/news/cornwall-news/fornite-playing-children-groomed-online-2433610>

Have a happy and safe weekend.

Angela Clay

Spring term dates for your diary

Swimming this term: Bumblebees / Lime / Orange / Indigo / Emerald

Monday 21/01/2019 - Clubs start - acceptance letters going home today - check the reverse for pick up times. All children to be collected from KS1 playground.

Monday 21/01/2019 - IMS Prussia Cove Concert @4pm St Mary's Church

Friday 15/02/2019 - INSET day, no school

Monday 18/02/2019 to Friday 22/02/2019 - Half term

Monday 25/03/2019 to Friday 29/03/2019 - Mock SATS week for Year 6s

Tuesday 02/04/2019 - Phase 1 Final outcome event

Wednesday 03/04/2018 - Phase 2 Final outcome event in school- 2pm - 5:30pm

Monday 08/04/2019 to Monday 22/04.2019 - Easter holidays

Tuesday 23/04/2019 - First day of summer term

We refer to classes and year groups in many different ways including Key Stages and Phases. Due to popular request, here is a handy chart to ease confusion! Perhaps screenshot this on your smartphone for future use or cut out and keep if you have a paper newsletter?

EYFS / Nursery: Caterpillars / Butterflies

EYFS/ Reception: Bumblebees

KS1 / Phase 1 / Year 1 and Year 2: Orange / Green / Lime

KS2 / Phase 2 / Year 3 and Year 4: Violet / Amber / Cobalt

KS3 / Phase 3 / Year 5 and Year 6 : Turquoise / Emerald / Indigo



Is your child's class attendance on track? Our Spring attendance target is 97%. We are at 94.32% attendance this week - slightly less than our target.

Class	Weekly %	Rank
Bumblebees	96.44%	3
Orange	87.5%	10
Green	92.27%	9
Lime	96.97%	2
Violet	97.22%	1
Amber	93.78%	8
Cobalt	94.87%	6
Emerald	94.44%	7
Indigo	95.06%	4
Turquoise	94.65%	5
Whole School	94.32%	



School Dinners

Week commencing 21/01/2019 is week 2. School menus and their weeks are on our school website.

Are you following us on Twitter?

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



You are practicing

Honesty

when you...

- Say what you mean and mean what you say
- Make promises you can keep
- Tell the truth tactfully
- Admit your mistakes
- Refuse to lie, cheat, or steal
- Are true to yourself and do what you know is right

Affirmation

*I am honest. I can be trusted to keep my word.
I have no need to impress others. I accept myself.
I tell the truth, kindly and tactfully.*

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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



Bumblebees	Kiah	For showing determination in all that she has done this week
Orange	Finlay	For his determination when using his phonics in his writing.
Lime	Gabe	For his enthusiasm completing his accelerated reading quiz.
Green	Armel	For great maths work, confidently explaining how to work out a subtraction sum and completing number sentences independently.
Cobalt	Rufus	For settling into Pensans School so well and for his knowledge of Ada Lovelace.
Violet	Grace	For always giving 100% and for being helpful and supportive to others when cracking codes on our launch day. Thank you, Grace!
Amber	Ciara	For focusing hard on her SPaG and producing super work.
Turquoise	Jayden	For his determination, perseverance and independence in all areas of his learning this week. Well done you!
Indigo	Keenan	For settling in so well over the last two weeks and making a dynamic contribution to our class learning!
	Erin	For a fantastic starting week! You have put so much effort into your work and have settled into our class so well!
Emerald	Jake	For showing a kind, mature and understanding attitude to a friend when it was needed and demonstrating perseverance in his maths.



Mathletics Hall of Fame

**HERE ARE THIS WEEKS
MATHLETES:**

GREEN- ALEXA

LIME - PAIGE

ORANGE - SKYLA

AMBER - JOWAN

COBALT- POPPY

INDIGO-ALFIE & CEPHIA

TURQUOISE -KHANE

PRESENCE
LEISURE CENTRE

**FREE FITNESS
OPEN DAY**

**SATURDAY 19 JANUARY
10:00 - 16:00**

Our biggest membership offer
of the year for one day only

First 20 people who join
will receive a 6 week results
programme worth over £100!

**NEW YEAR
NEW YOU**

**2 1/2 MONTHS
FREE**
on any
membership*

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Working in partnership
with local authorities

*You and your family will
only need to pay £10 per month for 6 weeks to get your
results programme worth over £100! See full T&Cs on our website

Have you taken a career break from an engineering or a technical sector and wish to return? Are you working below your experience in a different sector? Do you have an engineering or technical degree that you aren't using? Do you just wish to transfer sectors but don't have any experience? If so this could be the opportunity for you! We are currently sourcing candidates for the Babcock 'STEM Returners' programme, a 13 week, fully paid and supported return to work programme starting in April 2019 in Plymouth. All candidates will also have the opportunity to obtain a permanent role at the end of the programme. No career break is too long, register to return to STEM today! For more information please visit www.stemreturners.com or email hello@stemreturners.com. More information on the programme is also available here: <https://www.stemreturners.com/2018/12/20/babcock-seeks-stem-returners-join-career-programme-devonport/>



I am very pleased to share with you a review of the last High Five match Pensans played in on Tuesday at MBA. We played one match which was against Sennen School, winning it very convincingly with a 4:1 victory! We only had 5 players in the team who played the whole game in their set positions (normally there are seven players who rotate their positions). All members of the team played with 100% effort, showing great marking, accurate passing, good positioning & excellent communication skills. All in all a brilliant team performance resulting in a win that was well deserved & was a good reflection of all the skills they brought to the game. This is the team's first win this school year & hopefully the first of many future successes. Well done team! Kelda McNeill (Sports Coach)

ParentPay

Please can all parents and carers check their ParentPay accounts and ensure that all outstanding amounts are settled eg for swimming sessions and dinners. 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.



Penzance and Newlyn RFC Minis and Juniors want you!

Join the rugby community, come and give it a try!

Non-Contact Tag rugby for 6 to 8 year-old boys and girls –
4:30 pm Friday afternoon for an hour with games on Sundays

RFU Qualified coaches

Good Facilities

For more information please contact:
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