

# Pensans Post

Spring term 11/02/2016



Please remember that school is closed as an INSET day to children tomorrow when instead we look forward to welcoming parents at our consultation meetings. It will also be a great opportunity for meeting our Thrive team who are keen to show parents what it is all about and how it can help our children.

Our Virtue following half-term is COURTESY and it has been lovely to see so many courteous children around school this week.

Have a great half term and see you and the children all refreshed on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February!

Ms Angela Clay - Headteacher

Amber, Violet and Magenta Classes were absolutely thrilled to have Neil and Tina from Pirate fm visit them today. They were able to give some great advice on how to present their jingle ready for airtime on Pirate fm. The children learned all about the process of creating, critiquing, costing and recording jingles and received critique from the Pirate FM presenters. With just a few tweaks, our class jingle should be ready to broadcast on Pirate FM.



Pirate FM also visited Lime, Orange and Green and gave some helpful tips on jingles for our future Easter Egg hunt!

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 22nd February is Week 1.

[http://www.pensansprimary.co.uk/website/fixed\\_menus/33772](http://www.pensansprimary.co.uk/website/fixed_menus/33772)



### Is your child's class attendance on track?

Our spring attendance target is 97%. At 87.28% we are below target this week.

Class	Weekly %	Rank	Last week
Magenta	94.64%	1	3
Amber	94.35%	2	7
Emerald	92.79%	3	9
Indigo	91.67%	4	2
Orange	89.42%	5	1
Butterflies 2	86.25%	6	8
Butterflies	83.13%	7	11
Violet	82.42%	8	10
Green	82.41%	9	6
Turquoise	82.03%	10	5
Lime	81.02%	11	4
Whole school	87.28%		91.84%



Recently our very own Librarian Mrs Crummay travelled to the Lake District to help out with some fundraising for the **Cumbria Community Flood Appeal** and Mountain Rescue Teams after the serious floods in December.

Mrs Crummay's husband is a Mountain Leader and runs 'Explore in Cornwall', a guided walking company, so when there was a request for qualified Mountain Leaders to help with a day of fund raising events in Cumbria they decided to help out. Here in Cornwall we know how important the tourism industry is to the local economy and remember all too well the devastating storms of 2012/13. It was important then to get the message out that Cornwall was open and as well as raising money for the hard working MRT and Flood Appeal this was a good opportunity to let people know the Lake District is open as well!

The 'Grand Day Out' events raised over £20,000 with hundreds of people getting out and about in the outdoors. The event was a great success made all the more special by the snowy conditions on the day. The picture shows the Explore in Cornwall team with some of the group who got their first experience of winter mountaineering! To find out more - [www.agranddayoutcumbria.org.uk](http://www.agranddayoutcumbria.org.uk) or [www.exploreincornwall.co.uk](http://www.exploreincornwall.co.uk)



There are nits about in school. Please check your child's hair tonight and treat with your preferred method! They don't go away themselves and will just cause more and more discomfort!



### Coming soon - Online payments!

We will be 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 will introduce it first to PARC (after school club) users! We hope to roll it out to other payments in the new summer term if not before!

World Book Day is fast approaching so to celebrate this year's event we are running a photo competition, 'Where do you read yours? How Do You Read Yours?'

It's easy to take part, during half term get someone to take a photo of you reading in your favourite place or the weird and wonderful ways you enjoy reading. Bring the photos into school after half term or email them to Mrs Crummay and the best ones will win a prize! Entries from adults also welcome.



A reminder to all parents that children with tummy bugs must not return to school until 48hrs after the last bout of sickness. There are a large number of children away from school at the moment and if they come back too soon they will spread their germs.

Also, please note that there is a reported case of scarlet fever and hand foot and mouth in school.

For more information on this please search on <http://www.nhs.co.uk/>



### Mothers day lunches – a date for diaries!

On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> and Monday 7<sup>th</sup> we will be inviting mums and grannies into join the children for lunch. More details to follow after half term!



We are collecting **Sainsburys Active Kids vouchers** again. The box is in the office and it would be great if parents could keep up the tradition of filling it right up! The more vouchers, the more great kit we receive from Sainsburys!

We'd love your  
**Active Kids vouchers**

[activekids.sainsburys.co.uk](http://activekids.sainsburys.co.uk)  
#ActiveKids



Did you know that our school's **Special Educational Needs (SEN) annual report** for parents is published on our school website. If you would like to take a look, please visit:

[http://www.pensansprimary.co.uk/website/special\\_educational\\_needs\\_sen/51004](http://www.pensansprimary.co.uk/website/special_educational_needs_sen/51004)



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Penzance Tennis Club have given us 50 free tennis session tickets. If you are interested please ask at the office – it's first come first serve!

### **Tennis**



**Anyone?**

Also they have a fantastic offer for any child wishing to have a taster trial at tennis at the club over the next few months. They can join in their tennis programme for just over fifty pence per week!

Please see the poster below and call Martin on 07787124003 for more details.

Our enthusiastic pupil parliament will be coordinating **Sports Relief fundraising events** on Friday 18th

March. Check school bags for more details today! As well as sponsored multi-activity events there will be a raffle. Any donations from parents welcome!



## Stars of the week!

Butterflies	Kyra	For always being courteous with her friends and adults.
Butterflies 2	Rylie	For being courteous. He is always, polite, helpful and kind to others.
Orange	Tegan	For a fabulous chocolate jingle in the style of Katie Perry!
Lime	Grace	For writing some good ideas for her jingle and using her much improved handwriting. Keep it up!
Green	Ciaran	For his absolutely awesome jingle for his chocolate product!
Violet	Logan	Logan has completely changed her behaviour this week. Remaining focussed and on task, following instructions and being an independent learner! Keep it up!
Amber	Mia	For writing a fantastic beginning to her story. Mia is always polite and courteous and does her best at all times.
Magenta	Alfie	For great work in literacy, You have challenged yourself by adding interesting adverbs
Emerald	Madison	For huge strides with her story and for really considering how she could use feedback u-level her work.
Turquoise	Jake	For always listening and being courteous to all members of staff.
Indigo	Declan	For being so inspired by his own writing and having such creative and individual ideas.

**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 12<sup>th</sup> Feb – Parent Consultations – School closed for INSET day
- Mon 15<sup>th</sup> – Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Feb – Half term
- Fri 4<sup>th</sup> March & Mon 7<sup>th</sup> March – Mothers Day lunch
- Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> March – last day of school for Easter Holiday
- Mon 11<sup>th</sup> April – back to school

