Pensans Post

Spring term 31/01/2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our first 'Big Dig' day in December is bearing fruit... or shoots! Thank you everyone who took part, you will notice that the bulbs that we planted are growing well and will be there to encourage pollinating insects in the spring.

As you will be aware our project with Ellie Baker to re-wild areas of the school and create a wildflower mural is ongoing throughout this academic year. Your children will be involved in a range of learning that will increase their scientific understanding of eco systems, species of wild plants and how they can help to protect and develop habitats around our school. We will be having further planting days and would love to see you. We will also be looking for volunteers with specific skills to help prepare a wall for the mural that Ellie will be creating from the children's paintings. If you can volunteer your time and skills to render a surface

please let the office know. Have a good weekend Angela Clay

JUMBLE & Cake sale

Please support the Friends of Pensans School by sending in cakes, clothes, toys and bric-abrac to sell to raise funds for our school and our Bees, Bugs & Butterflies project.





On Wednesday 22nd January we went to a football tournament at Mounts Bay Academy. We drew two and lost one against Heamoor One and Heamoor Two and Marazion. The matches were each 14 minutes long. There were seven on and one sub at a time. Everyone played with great enthusiasm and good sportsmanship.

Written by Keeley and Millie





Is your child's class attendance on track? Our Autumn attendance target is 97%. As a school we are at 92.12% attendance this week and are below our target.

Class	Weekly %		
Bumblebees	95.52%	1	
Green	90.38%	8	
Orange	90%	7	
Violet	95.17%	2	
Amber	93.6%	5	
Cobalt	94.79%	3	
Emerald	92.73%	4	
Indigo	85%	9	
Turquoise	91.95%	6	
Whole School	92.12%		



Please remember that we offer both before and after school clubs each school day.

Breakfast Club - Children from reception age can be dropped into the hall between 8am and 8:30am. It costs £1.50 a session and includes a varying breakfast menu. No booking necessary. It is free to Pupil Premium children (those children entitled to free school meals based on their family income)

PARC (After-school club) - Open from 3:15pm until 6pm (5pm Fridays). Bookings and pre-payments via ParentPay are necessary. Please ask for details at school reception.

Are you following us on Twitter?

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



You are practicing

Perseverance

when you...

- Choose your commitments wisely
- Set goals and stick with them until completed
- Pace yourself, and take one step at a time
- · Don't let doubts or tests blow you off course
- Stand by your friends and loved ones

The Early Help Hub Locality Link Officer, Niki Cooper, will be offering a "Drop in Session" on **Wednesday March 4th** here at Pensans School. Appointments can be made with Mrs Oliver at reception. Time slots are between 9.15am and 12 o clock lunchtime.

These sessions can provide confidential support and signposting for families and carers. The Early Help Hub promote health and wellbeing for all families.

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Providing support as soon as a problem emerges,

at any point in a child's life, from the foundation

years to the teenage years.



Please remember that named PE kits and wellies need to be in school each day. PE kits should contain the following: house colour t-shirt, black shorts, plimsolls/trainers, white sports socks. Children can also bring in black jogging bottoms and gold school hoodies in colder weather.



School Dinners

Week commencing 03/02/2020 is week 1. Weekly menus are on our school website.

If you think your child may be entitled to "Free School Meals" please let Mrs Oliver in reception know. This also applies to those having free dinners because they are in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and have free "Universal Infant Free School Meals" because of their age. Our school also receives Pupil Premium funding for each child on "Free School Meals".

As part of recognising outstanding learning behaviours, we will be celebrating the children who have achieved **BLUE** each week. Well done to everyone who achieved it this week!



Blue:

I produce **outstanding** work.

I have **worked my hardest** and the

adults around me recognise that I have made a **great** effort.

I have been a **fantastic friend** to others, helping out when I was needed.

I continue to make all of the **right choices** in my learning and behaviours.

I show **care and consideration** for others and my school.



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.

Class	Well done for achieving blue this week!
Green	Izabel-Rose & Jack
Orange	Millie & Caitlyn
Violet	Tegan & Danielle
Amber	Kyra W & Luna
Cobalt	Zelah & Lewis
Emerald	Grace & Millie
Indigo	Kaden & Alfie J
Turquoise	Levi & Turquoise Panathlon children



Stars of the week

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	Orange	Hyacinth	For her lovely writing in her dragon story which included great similes and adjectives.
SV/	Green	Elisei	For great maths work at home and at school. Also for showing improved attitude and effort this week.
SI/	Cobalt	Paige, Brogan & Lewis	For the fantastic effort and enthusiasm that they showed at the Panathlon! A real achievement coming overall 2nd. Well done!
it/	Violet	Levi & Lowen	For their determination and perservance in the Panathlon! A great achievement!
S.V/	Amber	Jade	For using perseverance and determination to start planning her own Stone Age story.
	Turquoise	Turquoise class	For accepting the challenge of showing and sharing as many acts of kindness as they could throughout this week. I am proud of you all!
	Indigo	Kyle	For showing enthusiasm and commitment to his learning this week.
SIV/	Emerald	Cody, Issues & Tyla	For their wonderful performance during the swimming lesson - Well done!

Well done to this week's Mathletes!

Green - Elisei Orange - Millie Violet - Tegan Indigo - Leah Turquoise - Jenny & Issy O







On Thursday morning I took Angela and Millie from Turquoise Class to Mounts Bay Academy to record an interview for their podcast. We were joined by former Pensans School students Perran and Imogen. Darren and Emma from the music department asked the children about their experiences taking part in last year's songwriting workshops and getting to record their songs at Mounts Bay. Perran shared with listeners some of the music projects he is involved with now at Mounts Bay. Angela and Millie were also able to give listeners a sneak preview of the songs they are writing in this years project. The podcast will be out next week on the same day that the three track EP is released on iTunes, Spotify and many other music platforms. It was a wonderful experience and we look forward to being able to record this year's songs at Mounts Bay too.

By Kate Shilson - Music Coach

Dates for your diary

Friday 14th February - INSET school closed for parent consultations Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February - Half term Friday 20th March - Last day of clubs Friday 27th March - Nursery closed Friday 27th March - Last day of spring term EYFS: Caterpillars, Butterflies & Bumblebees (Y0) * Phase 1/ KS1: Green (Y1) & Orange (Y2) * Phase 2 / KS2: Cobalt (Y3/4), Violet (Y3/4) & Amber (Y3/4)

* Phase 3 / KS2: Emerald (Y5/6), Indigo (Y5/6) & Turquoise (Y5/6)