Pensans Post

Spring term 18/03/22



Dear Parents and Carers,

Your children have astounded us again this week with their enthusiasm, generosity and engagement.

As I write this the school. Is filled with Super Heroes - some in costume and others with pants on their heads! Thank you for supporting their participation in raising money for Red Nose Day and putting a smile on everyone's face. Look at the link below to see how our Virtues Ambassadors in Year 6 have used their wonderful poem and Just Giving to raise money.

As you are aware we continue to have some staff and child absence related to Covid - it's tricky for everyone and we appreciate the flexibility of staff, parents and children. Below is the current guidance that we are following:

- · If your child has symptoms of Covid please get a PCR test.
- If this is positive keep them at home either until they test negative (you can test from Day 5 of the positive result).
- Your child can come to school if someone in the household has tested positive and your child remains well
- Staff are following the same guidance

Sadly, we will be saying 'Good Bye' to John Tallon at he end of this term. He has made an amazing contribution to the school and will be missed by staff and children. You will have seen him come rain or shine at the beginning or end of the school - always ensuring that we all stay safe and sometimes smiling! If you don't have the opportunity to thank him in person for the work he has done for the school please feel free to drop messages in the office. We all wish him well in his new job at Gulval School.

As a result of John leaving we have a vacancy for a Caretaker. If you are interested in the position please email or call the school.

Thank you for supporting the School Book Fair this week. Look for updates in next week's newsletter to see how well we have supported Red Nose Day and The Book Fair.

Have a Great Weekend

Angela Clay



I am forgiving of others and myself. I am willing to give and receive amends. I learn from my mistakes. I have the power to keep changing for the better.







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 think your child may be entitled to "Free School Meals" please email Mrs Oliver in reception(<u>messages@pensans.cornwall.sch.uk</u>) This also applies to those having free dinners because they are in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and have "Universal Infant Free School Meals" because of their age. Our school also receives Pupil Premium funding for each child on Free School Meals so as well as helping you, it also helps our school.















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.

Class	Well done for achieving blue this week!
Bumblebees	Lily and Phoebe
Green	Ruby and Isaac
Orange	Eva and Ivy
Amber	Josh and Kobe
Cobalt	Jamie and Lola
Violet	Rylan and Isabelle
Indigo	Tegan and Freya
Turquoise	Tia Edwards and James Strick

Stars of the week







Families with more than one child

Drop Off - 8.45am. Pick Up - 2.45pm

We are looking for a new parent governor to join our committed community at Pensans School. If you are interested please ring Angela Clay at 01736 363627 or complete the application form available on the school website: <u>https://pensans.eschools.co.uk/</u>. In vacancies by Friday 18th March 2022. We look forward to hearing from you.

EYFS - Caterpillars, Butterflies and Bumblebees

Drop off : 8.45am Caterpillars and Butterflies and 8.45am for Bumblebees Pick Up: Currently as arranged with teachers due to phased times for transition.



Normally: 11.45am for Nursery or 2.45pm for reception and 30 hour funded hours children.

Path towards Nancealverne School to EYFS wooden gate.

Phase 1 - Green and Orange

Drop off - 8.50am

Pick Up - Green, Orange - 2.50pm

Green and Orange Class - through the KS1 playground near the disabled parking bay.

Phase 2 -Cobalt and Amber

Drop off - 8.40am

Pick Up - 2.40pm

Cobalt Class - through end doors in KS1 playground, near the disabled parkⁱⁿ ~ bay.

Amber Class - Doors to the right of Reception area door.







<u>War in Ukraine</u>

At school we are being very mindful about the messages we are sharing with the children.

We haven't **'told'** the children about it but have been **'listening'** to the children's' thoughts and feelings and have then responded in thoughtful and measured ways. We have used the valuable Newsround resource with our older pupils. Please see links below:

War in Ukraine – What's happening there? <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/60554258</u>

War in Ukraine: What do all the words mean? https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/60536983

Advice if you're upset by the news <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/13865002</u>

Most importantly we are considering the children's age and ability to process the process the information and their ability to employ their own coping strategies.

We ask that you work with us to:

- Ensure the information given is truthful and essentially age appropriate.
- Reassure the children of their own safety, and that the children of Ukraine are being kept safe by the adults looking after them.

As a school we would like to focus on how we can make a difference and be useful in helping the Ukrainian people by having our non-uniform day on Friday, the 11th of March, when we are asking for everyone to come dressed in yellow and blue to reflect the Ukrainian flag. We will also be holding fundraisers throughout the half term to support various organisations. Many thanks for your continued support.







Butterflies Raising Money for Ukraine Children in Butterflies have had a fabulous fun time raising money for Ukraine they have all been SuperStars!



Great Collaborative Learning in Team Turquoise!

Team Turquoise demonstrating their shared knowledge and understanding of the connection between Fractions, Decimals and Percentages.



















TEAM TURQUOISE, ORGANISED FUN FOR RED NOSE DAY! By using the just giving link they raised over £200 before Red Nose Day had even begun! Visit the link to see their message and the poem 'Eternal Light'. It was written as a class challenge in December, and has inspired incredible generosity. Thank you Team Turquoise!



Amazing Amber Class -Learning Together

School Uniform

The Pensans School Uniform guide is in the Parents Information section of the school website. If you need to order any new school uniform for next term, here are the details of our supplier of logo'd items.

Trophy Textiles 01209 713341





Pensans School String Orchestra We are delighted that the school string orchestra is taking part in a concert on Sunday 20th March at Parade Chambers, Parade Street, Penzance, TR184BU Thank you Mrs Manta and Emma Stansfield for creating the opportunity for the children to take part and demonstrate their musical talent.

> We're really looking forward to welcoming you all to the concert at 3pm on Sunday 20/3. Please be there from 2.45 so we have time to tune up and get settled.

The address for the building is Parade Chambers, 10 Parade St, Penzance, TR18 4BU. It is diagonally opposite the Acorn Theatre and has a big green door. Please go inside and up the stairs.

Unfortunately the building does not yet have level access so be warned that there are 20 steps up to the concert space.

Key Stage 1 Cricket Festival at Mounts Bay Academy We were so proud of the children that took part in the Cricket Festival Last week. They represented the school beautifully with enthusiasm and energy! Some great batting - we hope to see you competing at County level one day!



