

Pensans Post

Autumn term 10/11/2017



Dear Parents and Carers,

As you will be aware, this weekend is 'Remembrance Sunday' and myself and our Head Boy, Head Girl and Deputy Head Girl have been invited to attend the service at Battery Rocks at 10.40am. Our Chair of Governors, Rev Sian Yates, will lead the children in their readings. Last year it was lovely to see so many parents/carers and children from Pensans in attendance showing their respect for the sacrifices that have been made during times of conflict and I look forward to seeing you again this year.



Next week is 'Anti-Bullying Week'. We take bullying seriously in our school and are delighted to be trialling a new anti-bullying initiative.. You will have seen in previous newsletters that on Monday 13th November we have parents' meetings first thing in the morning and after school when we will be launching the 'Make a Noise' programme.

'Internet Matters' in partnership with 'tootoot', and supported by the 'Department for Education', are launching a programme that provides students, parents and teachers with an online service to report any bullying and cyber-bullying concerns they may have, to prompt action by schools and others. At the core of the programme will be an easy to access online **reporting** platform for students and parents to report all issues relating to bullying. **Resource** hubs are available for teachers, students and parents to give those that use the platform access to some really helpful advice and guidance about how to deal with any incidence of bullying. Our aim is to create a one-stop shop for bullying support.

Please come to one of our meetings to find out how the online platform works - if you are unable to attend there will be a letter sent home with your child on Monday that will explain how it can be used.

Sadly three of our School governors Sarah Guy, Shona Pye and Sam Elcox have stepped down from their roles on the Governing Body. They have all contributed enormously to Pensans School and we are very grateful for the work that they have done and continue to do with the school.

Sarah Guy has always gone the extra mile to contribute to our school and we have appreciated her contribution to Pensans.

Many of you will know that Sam has been a Governor for a number of years and also successfully runs our PTA which she will continue to do. I cannot thank Sam enough for her continued support with Fundraising and Community events.

Shona has brought the Virtues Curriculum to our school which is helping to develop the character that our children and staff need to succeed in all aspects of their lives. She will continue to embed the Virtues Curriculum and organise community events - Look out for the Spring Term events coming up!

I am delighted to announce that we have a new Governor on our Governing Body. Daryl Pentecost is a new Parent Governor, many of you will know him through the Cricket Club and we look forward to working with him and thank him for making this commitment to our school.

I will be announcing further new members to our Governing Body in the coming weeks.
Have a good weekend.

Ms Clay



Is your child's class attendance on track? Our Autumn attendance target is 97%. At 93.63% we are under target this week.

Class	Weekly %	Rank
Butterflies	92.4%	7
Orange	96.83%	2
Green	95.19%	4
Lime	91.19%	9
Violet	96.15%	3
Amber	93.33%	5
Magenta	98.22%	1
Emerald	88.46%	10
Indigo	93.24%	6
Turquoise	91.36%	8
Whole School	93.63%	



Harlequin will be here on Weds 22nd November to take photos in time for family Christmas gifts.

Individual photos will be taken during school time but family photos will be taken in the hall before school from 8:15am.



This year Children in Need is on Friday 17th November. Pupil Parliament have decided to have a PJ day to help raise money. All children and staff can come dressed in their PJs and slippers for a donation of £1.

School Dinners

School menus are on our school website and on the noticeboard by the school reception. There is also a handy guide to tell you which week is which. Week commencing 13/11/2017 is week 3.

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.



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Stars of the week

Butterflies	Lucie	For working really hard at home and at school on writing her name and recognising sounds.
Orange	Toby	For his determination and independence in his maths work.
Lime	Lainey	For her fantastic new attitude to learning and great determination.
Green	Lewis	For settling in so well at Pensans.
Violet	Morgan	For working so well with your new TA. Well done!
Amber	Elsie	For showing great confidence in all areas of her learning. Elsie produced a beautiful story map this week and has shown great determination in learning history.
Magenta	Carmell	For her self-confidence when acting out our new story to the rest of the class.
Emerald	Deano	For super maths this week and confidently using his learning journal to record his enthusiasm and success! Keep it up Deano!
Turquoise	Ignas	For having the courage, confidence and excellent knowledge when showing our visitors around the school on Wednesday.
Indigo	Perran	For effort, commitment and managing distractions in class excellently

Dates for your diary

Weds 15th Nov - Table Top Sale after school - stalls available £5

Weds 15th Nov - TLC coffee morning 9am - all parents welcome!

13th - 17th Nov - anti-bullying week

Friday 17th Nov - Wear pyjamas for Children in Need and donate a £1

Mon 13th Nov - Tootoot launch meetings for parents/carers - 9.10am - 9.40am OR 5.30pm - 6.00pm

Weds 22nd Nov - School photos - family photos between 8:15am and 8:45am

Fri 1st Dec - School Fair

Sat 2nd Dec - EYFS garden tidy 10:30am - 12:30pm

Fri 8th Dec- EYFS 1:30pm - 2:15pm. Y1/2 2:15pm - 3:15pm. Y3/4 3:15pm-4:15pm. Y5/6 4:15pm - 5:15pm

21st Dec - 3rd Jan - Christmas Holidays

Thurs 4th Jan - first day back

Fri 9th Feb - Parent Consultations INSET- no school

12th - 16th Feb - half term

30th March - 13th April - Easter break



Introducing our new parent governor - Daryl Pentecost

“As a dad of five, with two coming towards the end of their school education, I thought it was about time that I put something back in to the system.

Education is key and I want my children and others who attend Pensans to have the best education possible and will do all I can to assist in that being achieved.”

Our lovely school PTA are organising a **Christmas Disco** afternoon on Friday 8th Dec. Children can have a snack and unlimited drinks. EYFS 1:30pm - 2:15pm. Y1/2 2:15pm - 3:15pm. Y3/4 3:15pm-4:15pm. Y5/6 4:15pm - 5:15pm. More details to follow!



Wednesday 15th November after school.

Have a clear out for Christmas and make some money or come and pick up some bargains. Stalls will be £5 each, bookable through the office.

Alternatively you can donate items to our school stall, please drop donations into school on the morning of Wednesday 15th. Refreshments will also be available.



Here are this weeks
Mathletes:

Lime - Logan & Imogen
Green - Gabs & Skyla
Orange - Charlie S
Magenta - Jenny & Lauren
Amber - Elsie
Violet - Katelyn & Oliver
Turquoise - Jacob
Emerald - Casey
Indigo - Perran



A total of 14 children took part in a **cross country** event at St.Ives on Monday. In windy, cold conditions the children never gave up and did the school proud.

Pensans High Five Team played Marazion 'A' Team on Tuesday 7th November at Mounts Bay Academy. Despite defending really hard and playing brilliantly as a team, they unfortunately lost. A big thank you to Faith, Shyla and Ruby, Reegan, Dylan, Isobel and Hyelie for representing Pensans so positively.

Coats and Wellies

Please remember that all children should have a coat and wellies in school each day. Classes will be taking part in lots of outside learning even if it is chilly and muddy. Wellies can be left in school, please make sure they are named.



Win your very own Paddington (and 2 cinema tickets too!)

You may notice Paddington Bear sitting with Mrs Oliver in reception. He has been lovingly hand-knitted by Kath our lollipop lady and comes with two tickets to go to the cinema for a lucky raffle prize winner. Raffle tickets will go home in book bag post next week. The winner will be announced on Monday 20th November. Thank you for supporting our PTA!



Our garden is looking a little tired and needs some TLC so we are having a garden clean up day.



Saturday 2nd December 10:30 - 12:30

Any time you can volunteer will be much appreciated!

Many thanks!

You are practicing *Enthusiasm*

when you...

- Smile, laugh and enjoy what you do
- Look forward to something eagerly
- Have a positive attitude
- Do things wholeheartedly
- Look on the bright side
- Are inspired by the wonders of life

Affirmation

I am full of enthusiasm.

I give 100% to whatever I do. I use my imagination.

I am open to the wonders in store for me today.

Phase 1 have been having an amazing time recently looking for magical creatures, creating their own and making magical creature traps and houses. It has been great to see them all being so creative, imaginative and enthusiastic with their topic!

Mrs Trow



*This is a spectacular fairy trap Myra. You looked carefully at the detail
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*What a wonderful magical creature you made for homework Sancha.
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*An amazing motte and bailey castle Sam which you shared confidently with the class.
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