

Pensans Post

Spring term 07/02/2020



Dear Parents and Carers,

We were so thrilled to be able to play the track 'Disaster' in assembly this morning. The track was created by children who are currently in Year 6 and now Year 7. The children worked together as songwriters, singers and musicians with the support of Kate Shilson to create 'Disaster' a three-track EP by Pensans CP School which is now available on Spotify, iTunes and many other music platforms. This link will enable you to listen to the tracks.
<https://ditto.fm/disaster-pensans-cp-school>

Ellie Baker spent time with Year 5/6 this week working on images for the Bees, Bugs and Butterflies mural that we are planning to create on the walls leading down from the staff car park to the school. Ellie will be supporting children across the school to make contributions to the mural. We are still looking for anyone who could volunteer their time and skills to render the wall in preparation for the mural.



At next week's parent consultations you will have the opportunity to find out more about our Restorative Justice practice, Internet safety and the Accelerated Reader Scheme that we are using in Year 2 to 6. I look forward to seeing you there.

Have a good weekend
Angela Clay

Dates for your diary

Thursday 13th February - Wear something red day £1 donations to support air ambulance

Friday 14th February - INSET Day School closed for parent consultations

Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February - Half term

Thursday 5th March - World Book Day - potato competition

Friday 20th March - Last day of clubs

Friday 27th March - Nursery closed

Friday 27th March - Last day of spring term

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• **Swimming: Mondays: Bumblebees**
• **Thursdays: Indigo and Emerald**
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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)



Is your child's class attendance on track? Our Autumn attendance target is 97%. As a school we are at 94.05% attendance this week and are below our target.

Class	Weekly %	
Bumblebees	94.63%	4
Green	95.86%	3
Orange	90%	9
Violet	94.48%	5
Amber	96.4%	2
Cobalt	97.91%	1
Emerald	92.73%	7
Indigo	93.85%	6
Turquoise	90.67%	8
Whole School	94.05%	

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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



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.

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.



Providing support as soon as a problem emerges,

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



years to the teenage years.



Thursday 5th March is World Book Day. We would like the children to bring in their favourite story and a potato dressed up as their favourite character. They will be judged and we shall have an assembly to celebrate. Thank you for your continued support.
Sarah Trow



School Dinners

Week commencing 10/02/2020 is week 2. 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".

On Friday 14th February 2020 as part of our parents consultation Mrs Crummay will be opening up the Book Bank and share Accelerated Reader. We look forward to seeing and sharing your children's work with you all on that day.



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!
Green	Jack & William
Orange	Keeva & Armel
Violet	Toby & Freya
Amber	Sam & Kyra
Cobalt	Zelah & Rosie
Emerald	Joe & Finley
Indigo	Ashlee & Jack
Turquoise	Millie & Angela

Well done to this week's Mathletes!

Green - Faith Orange - Riley
Cobalt - Zac G Violet - Skyla
Indigo - Leah & Miley Turquoise - Izzy O & Jenny



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	Roxy	For happily joining in our woodland activities.
Orange	Raymond	For his beautiful similes to add description to his dragon story.
Green	Riley	For fantastic phonics and progress with his reading.
Cobalt	Sancha	For a great start to her story, using enthusiasm, determination and excellence.
Violet	Frank, Kyra, Sharna, Nina and Danielle	For using their perseverance in a tricky situation and over coming it.
Amber	Lola	For quietly getting on with her work and a fabulous start to her story.
Turquoise	Maybelle	For her quiet determination and perseverance in all of her learning. We are all proud of you.
Indigo	Richard	For showing courage, honesty and friendliness this week.
Emerald	Caswyn	For his great success in reading. He loves reading and he is engaged in his learning!



The headship team have proposed that children wear something red with our school uniforms on Thursday 13th Feb to raise money for the Cornwall Air Ambulance. That could be a red jumper, socks, hair band, trousers or all of the above!

Pensans Sports

Kelda McNeill - Sports Coach

Panathlon



We took a team of 10 children from Years 3-6 to this indoor sports event that was held at MBA on Thursday 30th January. It was the first time that Penwith Schools have run an event like this & what an amazing experience it was. The children had lots of fun taking part in various sporting challenges, scoring points for their team. High praise should go to all our children who took part as they had fantastic team spirit throughout, tried hard at all the challenges, they were very enthusiastic & were extremely well behaved. The team won Silver position coming away with medals, certificates & a framed award for the school & trophy. It was an amazing event & I couldn't be prouder of our team. You were fantastic!

Cross Country

The third Cross Country race for this season took place at Hayle Secondary School on Monday 27th January. It was held in very wet & windy conditions but thankfully we had a dry weather window for the races. We took a team of 11 children who all gave it a good go, some of them for the first time. They have my full admiration as Cross Country Running is one of the hardest

sport events. Some of the runners beat their personal best placings. Great effort team!

High Five Final

Our High Five team played in their end of season league final on Tuesday 21st January. They played a knock out match against Marazion School who were a very strong team. Unfortunately we lost this match but the team played very competitively & threw themselves fully into the match. A great effort team, you showed much improvement throughout the season.

Indoor athletics.

On 16th January we entered teams for the Penwith Schools Indoor Athletics competition. The children took part in track races & field events which included throwing & jumping challenges. The Year 3/4 competition was in the morning & they came 7th out of 11 teams. The Year 5/6 competition was in the afternoon and they came 5th out of 8 teams. All of our athletes tried really hard at their events & there was fantastic team spirit. Well done team!



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- Always carry tissues with you and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.
- Bin the tissue, and to kill the germs, wash your hands with soap and water, or use a sanitiser gel.
- If you have arrived back from China within 14 days follow the specific advice for returning travellers.

This is the best way to slow the spread of almost any germs, including Coronavirus.

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