

Pensans Post



Autumn term 08/09/2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

I'd like to welcome everyone to Pensans; those of you returning, and parents and carers new to the school. I hope that you and your children have enjoyed spending time together over the summer holiday and that you are ready for the year ahead.

Our Virtue this week and next week is Unity. By practising this Virtue we create a safe and respectful environment in which your children can flourish as individuals and as part of the whole school community. At this time of the year, we will all be building positive relationships and getting to know new children and adults so that we can work together for the good of everyone in the school.

The staff have worked extraordinarily hard to create exciting classrooms and projects this term and the children have been inspired and excited - they are a credit to you and the school.

A very big **THANK YOU** to the parents who came into school over the holiday to give Phase 1 corridor a makeover. Learning zones are there to add to the provision for our Year 1/2 and the Reading Area has a wonderful mural to inspire the children's love of stories.

I'm looking forward to working with you and your children this year - Have a great weekend and we'll see you on Monday.

Ms Clay - Headteacher

This is the only paper copy of the newsletter you will receive this year. As well as letters from class teachers, we rely on both texts and the newsletter to communicate with you. We will text you a link to the school website when the newsletter is ready each week. It is VITAL that each edition is read and we always have your up-to-date mobile numbers! Paper copies of the newsletter are also available from the school reception area.

80% of the questions we are asked are in newsletters.



You are practicing

Unity

when you...

- Treat all people as members of one human family
- See the gifts in differences
- Refuse to join in when others express prejudice
- Solve conflict through listening and finding solutions
- Care for the earth and all living things
- Act like a peacemaker wherever you go

Affirmation

I practice unity with others. The joy of one is the joy of all. The hurt of one is the hurt of all. The honor of one is the honor of all.

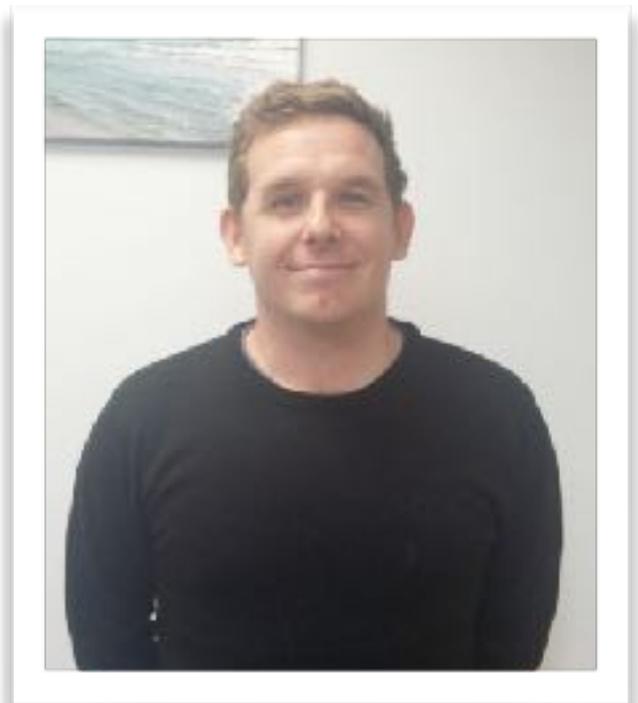


Is your child's class attendance on track? Our Autumn attendance target is 97%. At 97.17% we are on target this week.

| Class | Weekly % | Rank |
|--------------|---------------|------|
| Butterflies | 97.87% | 3 |
| Orange | 92.86% | 7 |
| Green | 97.7% | 4 |
| Lime | 100% | 1 |
| Violet | 100% | 1 |
| Amber | 92.31% | 8 |
| Magenta | 96% | 6 |
| Emerald | 96.3% | 5 |
| Indigo | 98.67% | 2 |
| Turquoise | 100% | 1 |
| Whole School | 97.17% | |



We are delighted to introduce Mr Richard Scott who is Magenta's new class teacher. Mr Scott joins us from Illogan School and will also be our PE coordinator this year.



Pensans School Parent Guide



Debt Management



Thank you to everyone who has been remembering to pay for school dinners, PARC, swimming sessions and breakfast clubs etc in advance

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.



Are you following us on Twitter?



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

Stars of the week



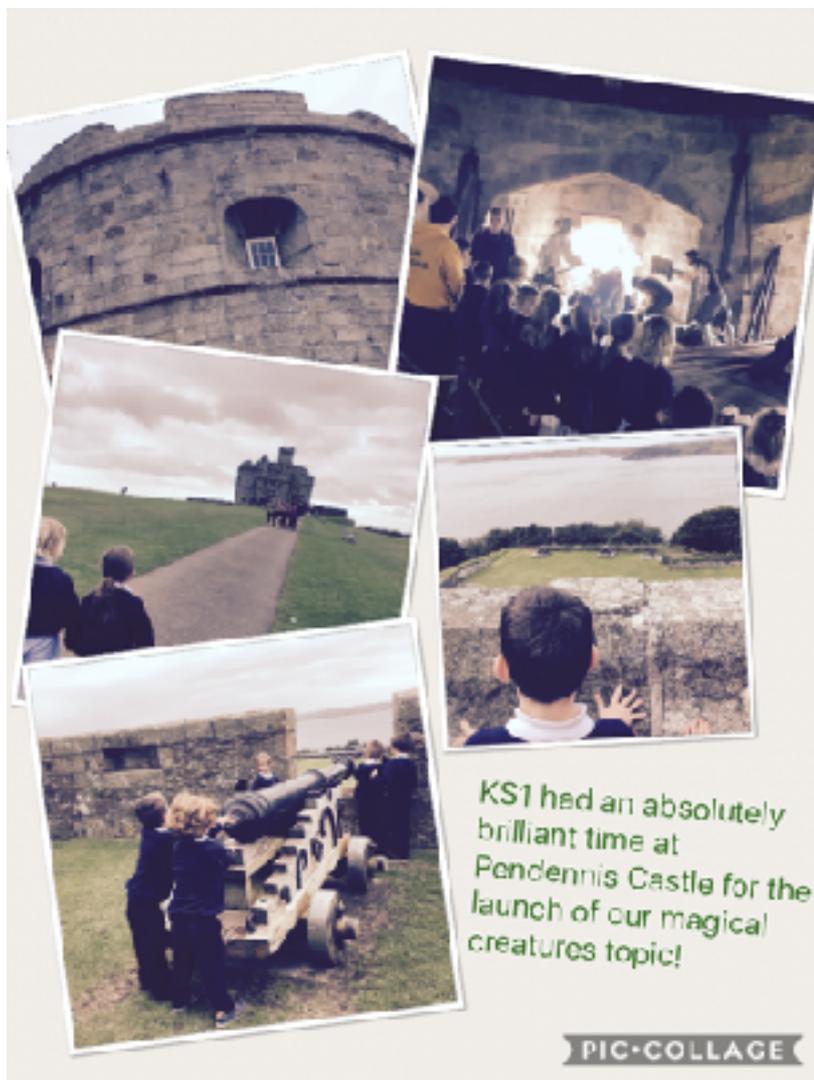
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| Orange | The whole class | For their enthusiasm and friendliness on their school trip and in the classroom. |
| Lime | The whole class | For their fantastic sense of fun and behaviour on our trip to Pendennis Castle. |
| Green | The whole class | For their impeccable behaviour at Pendennis Castle. |
| Violet | Kari | For such a positive start to Violet Class. You have already shown hard working attitude and how you help others - welcome to our team! |
| Amber | Alfie | For overcoming his first-day nerves and settling really well into Amber Class! |
| Magenta | Finley | For showing determination to complete a tricky maths problem. |
| Emerald | The whole class | For their enthusiasm and friendliness on coming back for the school year. |
| Turquoise | Finnley | For putting the unity into the Team Turquoise community and helping others to make positive choices. Thank you |
| Indigo | Tia | For showing determination, friendliness and enthusiasm - key qualities for a successful year! |

Free School Meals and Universal Infant Free School Meals update

An important reminder to ALL parents but especially those who currently had children in Year 2 or Nursery last term who have moved into Reception class. If you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals, please ask for a form from Linda in reception. The more parents registered for Free School Meals from Reception through to Year 6, the more Pupil Premium funding our school receives from the Government. Pupil Premium is additional funding which enables our school to provide extra support to children and enable pupils to reach their full potential.

Children who have moved into Year 3 are no longer eligible for free meals through the Universal Infant Free School Meals scheme, so please ensure you make an application in time for the new term if you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals.





Dates for your diary

23rd - 27 October - half term

Monday 30th October - INSET day

21st December - 3rd January
Christmas Holidays

4th January - first day back

Friday 9th February - Parent
Consultations INSET - no school

12th - 16th February - half term
30th March - 13th April - Easter
break

Please remember that these diary dates and more are on the school website as well. Always useful if you don't have a newsletter handy!

The Crohns and Colitis charity is close to my heart and there is a funday on Sunday I would like Pensans parents to know about. There are a team of cyclists cycling from Salisbury to Penzance with the arrival on Sunday. It's going to be great fun and there is some thing for everyone! I have over 60 raffle prizes from meals out, fidget spinners, teddies to jewellery!
Many thanks,

Annie Jenkins (Delano's mum)

Swimming sessions

You may have noticed that we have increased the cost of swimming sessions this term. This is in-line with leisure centre and instructor charges. Although the school heavily subsidises the cost of swimming sessions, we are sorry that we have had to pass on a small proportion of the increase to parents/carers.

CROHN'S & COLITISUK CYCLE
220 MILES - SALISBURY TO PENZANCE
SUNDAY FUNDAY FOR THE ARRIVAL OF CYCLE41BD!

PENZANCE ASTRO PARK
SUNDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER
14:30PM - 18:00PM

BOUNCY CASTLE, FACEPAINT'S RAFFLE AND MUCH MORE!

ALL PROCEED'S GO TO CROHN'S AND COLITIS UK