



Week 12: Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December

Diary Dates 2020-2021

## A Gift from Us to You

With the start of Advent, we were delighted to be able to offer each child an advent calendar to make at home. We are sure you agree the advent calendar, designed by Kate Neal ([www.katejaneneal.com](http://www.katejaneneal.com)), the artist behind our school characters, is lovely and we hope you have enjoyed making the calendar and talking about it with your child. Thank you for sending photographs of your advent calendars – we are happy to tell you that any photos received will be entered into a prize draw to win a copy of Kate's book, *Words and Your Heart*. Good luck!



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## Drop Off, Collection, Social Distancing and Face Coverings

The one-way system continues to work well and allows for social distancing. Please maintain a 2-metre gap at drop off and collection times and wear a face covering unless exempt. In the morning, classroom doors open from 8:20am and close at 8:50am.

At the end of the school day, children can be collected from 3:10pm, with the latest collection being at 3:30pm.

## Attendance

Thank you so much for promoting and supporting good attendance across the school.

The school's current overall attendance is **96.1%**.

## Remember to Have Your Say

We are still keen to hear your views on the culture we are creating at Pennoweth to prepare our children for life's challenges. View the draft document, 'Our Behaviour Culture 2020' by following the link:

<http://www.pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk/web/policies/262853>.

To comment on any aspect of this document, please contact the school by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December.

## Contacting School

Please remember that you can contact us via email at [help@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:help@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk) for general enquiries, or use the phase emails below to contact class teachers:

[eyfs@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:eyfs@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk) (Nursery and EYFS)

[KS1@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:KS1@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk) (Years 1 and 2)

[lowerKS2@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:lowerKS2@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk) (Years 3 and 4)

[upperKS2@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:upperKS2@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk) (Years 5 and 6)

## December

- Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Lunch (Pre-booked)
- Friday 11<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Jumper Day (for NSPCC)
- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> – Last day of term

## Christmas Break

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> December – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> January

## January 2020

- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> – First day of Spring Term
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> – EYFS Application Deadline

## February

### Half Term

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February

- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Non-Pupil Day – School closed
- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Back to school

## April

- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> – Last day of term

## Easter Break

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April

## April

- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> – First Day of Summer Term

## May

- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> – May Bank Holiday

## Half Term

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June

## June

- Monday 7<sup>th</sup> – Back to school

## July

- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Last day of term

## Summer Break

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> July



### Who has been spotted...?

We are delighted to announce the latest recipients of our character qualities. Well done to the following children who have been spotted by staff!

Each character represents a quality we believe to be important not only in school and education but also in the wider community.






**Considerate** children are **thoughtful, caring, sympathetic, helpful, polite, attentive, mindful** and **patient**, amongst other qualities.

If a child is **inquisitive**, they are **curious, inquiring, questioning, intrigued** and **eager to know**.

Children who show they are **courageous** will be **bold, brave, valiant adventurous** and **determined**.

If a child is spotted as being **fun**, they will be **enthusiastic, excited, energetic, cheerful, light-hearted** and will **laugh!**

We also have our Stars of the Week, who have been classroom superstars and have showed a range of great qualities! Well done to the children chosen as this week's Star of the Week!

Quality	Children Spotted in EYFS and Key Stage 1	Children Spotted in Key Stage 2
Considerate 	Pendennis: Mason Restormel: Elden Tintagel: Nylah Porthcurno: Tiana Gwithian: River Marazion: Alfie L	Newlyn: Malakai Porthleven: Ana Mevagissey: Samuel Pendeen: Livvy Lizard: Ella Godrevy: Lily
Inquisitive 	Pendennis: Freddie Restormel: Mason B Tintagel: Amber Porthcurno: Noah Gwithian: Nathan Marazion: Amelia-Honey	Newlyn: Lily Porthleven: Freya Mevagissey: Kai Pendeen: Izzy Lizard: Florrie Godrevy: Fineas
Courageous 	Pendennis: Leon Restormel: Aliza Tintagel: Kai Porthcurno: Lukas Gwithian: Logan Marazion: Poppy	Newlyn: Eva Porthleven: Taylor Mevagissey: Kaycee Pendeen: Caitlin Lizard: Skye Godrevy: Finley
Fun 	Pendennis: Esme Restormel: Maisie Tintagel: Jamie Porthcurno: Mason Gwithian: Archie Marazion: Noah G	Newlyn: Layla Porthleven: Lena Mevagissey: Reade Pendeen: Ellie-May Lizard: Miller Godrevy: Jayden
	Restormel: Alesha Tintagel: Vinnie Porthcurno: Albie Gwithian: Jaxon Marazion: Jacob	Newlyn: Leon Porthleven: Sofia Mevagissey: Walter Pendeen: Yeshua Lizard: Bradley Godrevy: Archie

### EYFS Application for children born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017

If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017, please apply for your child's place in EYFS by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021. Click <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/> to access Cornwall Council's School Admissions site.

### Early Years Update – Childcare Survey

For any parents and carers with children in the Early Years, do remember to complete the childcare survey, which closes on Sunday 20 December 2020. To access the survey, click the following link <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/early-years-foundation-stage-eyfs-and-childcare/childcare-sufficiency/>.

### Unauthorised Exceptional Leave of Absence Information

The law requires parents and carers to ensure their children receive an efficient full-time education, and every minute of every day is important. Please help them not to miss any of this valuable time.

We hope that when you have read the information outlined on our website, you will consider that your child's education is too important to take holidays during term time.

*If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £60 if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after this but within 28 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may result in legal action. Absence not authorised by the school may result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court.*

### Unauthorised Late Marks Information

If your child is arriving late, after 8:50am this will be recorded as Late (L). If your child arrives after the register has closed at 9:10am, this will be recorded as an Unauthorised Absence (U). If your child accrues 10 Unauthorised Absences within 100 sessions (10 weeks) you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996.

Persistent absence/unauthorised lates, not authorised by the school, may result in a prosecution in the Magistrates Courts, leading to fines up to £2500 and/or custodial sentences.

### Child Absence

Please do contact us as soon as possible if your child is going to be absent from school. Messages can be left on the answer phone if your call is not taken.

# Every Minute Counts

LATENESS = LOST LEARNING TIME

(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

<b>5</b> minutes late each day	<b>3</b> days lost
<b>10</b> minutes late each day	<b>6.5</b> days lost
<b>15</b> minutes late each day	<b>10</b> days lost
<b>20</b> minutes late each day	<b>13</b> days lost
<b>30</b> minutes late each day	<b>19</b> days lost

