



Week 14: Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December

Diary Dates 2020-2021

### Have a wonderful break!

Thank you for your support over the last term. Together, we have ensured children, parents, carers and staff have remained safe around the school site, through maintaining social distancing and by wearing facial coverings. We are proud of our school community – the children have thrived over the last 14 weeks – and we fully appreciate your kind words and messages during these unprecedented times. We would like to wish you all a restful break within your bubbles and we look forward to seeing you all safe after the holiday on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January**.

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### Food Vouchers

If you have received an email and/or a text message explaining that you are entitled to Free School Meals vouchers over the Christmas break, please make sure you have downloaded your vouchers.

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

Thank you so much for maintaining the one-way system around school as this allows for social distancing. We will continue with this system after the Christmas break. Classroom doors will 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.

### Thank You!

We would like to say a huge 'Thank you!' to the school's PTA (HELPP) for providing presents for all the children. This is a lovely gesture and one we very much appreciate.

### IMPORTANT: ParentPay Live from 4<sup>th</sup> January

As we move towards being a cashless school, we will be using ParentPay for all transactions. All payments for additional nursery sessions, breakfast club and after school care must be paid for in advance through ParentPay.

To book additional nursery sessions, please speak to staff in the Nursery.

To book breakfast club and after school sessions, please email [wraparoundcare@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:wraparoundcare@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk)

### New Menu – Chartwells

Children received the new school meal menu this week. For your information, **food choices need to be made from Week 2 on the menu when we return to school in January.**

### December

- **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> – LAST DAY OF TERM**

### Christmas Break

**Friday 18<sup>th</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> – Non-Pupil Day – School closed
- Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> – Back to school

### July

- Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Last day of term
- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Non-Pupil Day – School closed

### Summer Break

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> July

### Marvellous Me – Sign Up

From Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January, we will be using Marvellous Me to contact parents and carers. You will no longer receive text messages so please make sure you have signed up.

### Budding Christmas Card Designer

William in Year 2 recently discovered that his Christmas card design has received high praise, including from the Houses of Parliament! Well done, William.



### 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: Denas Restormel: Alesha Tintagel: Archie Porthcurno: Emmie Gwithian: Elodie Marazion: Aela	Newlyn: Piran Porthleven: Amelia Mevagissey: Ellie Pendeen: Nadine Lizard: Harvey Godrevy: Oliver
Inquisitive 	Pendennis: Jack Restormel: Georgie Tintagel: Albie Porthcurno: Carson Gwithian: Abi Marazion: Freddie	Newlyn: Tilly Porthleven: Peggy Mevagissey: Isabelle Pendeen: Samuel Lizard: Bradley Godrevy: Kiera
Courageous 	Pendennis: Jamie Restormel: Jayden Tintagel: Lilly G Porthcurno: Kaydon Gwithian: Nathan Marazion: Zach	Newlyn: Ivy Porthleven: Ana Mevagissey: Lily Pendeen: Emily Lizard: Jonah Godrevy: Callum V
Fun 	Pendennis: Elias Restormel: Mason B Tintagel: Ruby Porthcurno: Esme Gwithian: Penny Marazion: Sienna	Newlyn: Lily Porthleven: Kiera Mevagissey: Lewis Pendeen: Exodus Lizard: Skye Godrevy: Phin
	Restormel: Tom Tintagel: Eva Porthcurno: Gabriele Gwithian: Lucas Marazion: James	Newlyn: Jazmin Porthleven: Israel Mevagissey: Jack Pendeen: Christian Lizard: Riley Godrevy: Amy

### 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)

### Attendance

Attendance across the school remains high! The school's current overall attendance is **96.1%**.

### **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



Something from us to you.

We hope to bring you an extra piece of festive cheer this year.

In partnership with Redruth Council and businesses from the local community, we would like to provide every family with a food hamper.

Your family's hamper can be collected from school from 9:30am on Christmas Eve.

The last collection will be at 11:20am.

We look forward to seeing you all, socially distanced, on Christmas Eve!

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