



Friday 3rd November 2023

Pennoweth News

Good afternoon and welcome back to a new half term.

With the new term starting, it has been fantastic to see such a wide scope of activities and experiences already taking place across the school.

Classes have made a start on their new topics, with exciting investigations taking place over the whole week — from electrical plug experiments to bread making, it has provided our children with fantastic opportunities to learn new skills and apply these with a real life experience.

Across the school, clubs have been back up and running and it has been fantastic to see that these continue to be full and well attended. Skills are now developing well through these clubs and pupils continue to flourish under the guidance of the staff.

Next week, we will be running our Remembrance Appeal throughout the week. A variety of merchandise will be on sale during morning break times with pupils from Year 6 visiting each class. We have limited stock of merchandise and it will be sold on a first come, first served basis. We have enquired for further stock, however, it is unlikely that we will be receiving further merchandise. Nevertheless, if you would like to purchase Poppy Appeal memorabilia and were unsuccessful at school, please know that this will also be available in local stores and supermarkets in the coming weeks. Suggested donation prices for the merchandise will be as follows:

Slap bands— £1

Wrist bands— £1

Poppie reflective keyrings— 50p

Zip attachments— 50p

In the coming weeks we have a number of exciting upcoming events. We have therefore moved these key dates to the following page, so that you can all add these to your diaries and not miss the boat with any of our events.

[A Message from Mrs Andrews:](#)

Lockdown Drill

We will be having a lockdown drill next week in school so children know what to do in the unlikely event that we do need to lockdown. Class teachers will talk to the children about what to do and emphasise that it is a drill and that there is nothing to be worried about. We will send out a communication on Marvellous Me afterwards to let you know in case your children talk about it when they get home. Please do let us know if you have any questions.

Our phase email addresses are:

eyfs@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk (for Nursery and Reception)

KS1@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk (for Years 1 and 2)

lowerKS2@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk (for Years 3 and 4)

upperKS2@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk (for Years 5 and 6)

Or contact: help@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk

School Lunches

Week beginning
06/11/23 (Week 2 Choices)

Chartwells meal menu is
on the school website



Dates for your diary

Please see the following page for key dates for this half term.

Wednesday 20th

December —

Wednesday January 3rd

Winter Break

Childrens first day
back

Thursday 4th January
2024)

Key dates for your Diaries

Tuesday 7th November

Poldark Class Visiting Kresen Kernow
(1pm–3pm)

Early Help Hub Parents' Meeting
(2:15pm–3pm in the Library)

Friday 17th November

Children in Need

Monday 20th November

Parent Meetings (3:15pm–6:30pm)

Tuesday 21st November

Parent Meetings (3:15pm–5pm)

Friday 24th November

Dress Down and Donate Day

Saturday 25th November

Redruth Lantern Parade
(Gather at St Rumon's Gardens at
4:30pm before departing at 4:45pm)

Friday 1st December

Winter Fair (3:15pm–5pm)

Tuesday 5th December

EYFS & KS1 Christmas Concert
(2pm @ St Andrews Church)

Wednesday 6th December

Parent Wreath Making Workshop

Thursday 7th December

KS2 Christmas concert
(2pm @ St Andrews Church)

Friday 8th December

Travelling Panto

Christmas Jumper day

Monday 11th December

EYFS and KS1 Christingle Service
(1:45pm @ Redruth Baptist Church)

Tuesday 12th December

UKS2 Christingle Service
(10am @ Redruth Baptist Church)
LKS2 Christingle Service
(1:45pm @ Redruth Baptist Church)

Thursday 14th December

Visit with Santa
Present for Loved Ones Stall


Our DNA

Everything we do in school is shaped by our Pennoweth DNA statements. Each week each phase team identifies one child who has done a fantastic job of demonstrating each strand of the DNA. Well done to all the children below.

We are safe.
We feel loved.
We take responsibility.
We are always learning.
We are ready.

Congratulations to our stars of the week from each class! Well done everyone!

Quality	Year R, Y1 and Y2	Year 3&4	Year 5&6
Safe	Reuban (Tintagel) Jacob (Gwithian)	Albie (Pendeen)	Jaxon (Levant)
Loved	Mason (Newlyn)	Lola (Pendeen)	Keira (Poldark)
Responsible	Rubi (Newlyn) Raife (Tintagel)	Connie (Godrevy)	Isabella (Geevor)
Learning	Arthur P (Mevagissey)	Olivia (Godrevy)	Troy (Geevor)
Ready	Peter (Porthcurno)	Jakob (Lizard)	Dana (Poldark)

Pendennis Daily Awards	Tintagel Aaliyah
Restormel To be added next week	Porthcurno Marshall
Gwithian Georgie	Newlyn Lola
Mevagissey Robert	Pendeen Lily D
Godrevy Jamie	Lizard Abi
Levant Caitlyn	Geevor Mia
Poldark Jensen W	

Attendance

We aim for all our children to have at least 96% attendance throughout the year.

Overall attendance for this week was

94.5%

See below for the attendance for each class last week.

Pendennis	94.8%
Tintagel	95.3%
Restormal	87.9%
Porthcurno	96.8%
Gwithian	83.3%
Newlyn	98.1%
Mevagissey	94.9%
Pendeen	94.7%
Lizard	97.4%
Godrevy	98.3%
Levant	97.6%
Geevor	92.8%
Poldark	94.7%

Congratulations Godrevy class!



Report from our Keystage One Gardening Club



Following a seasonal wet weeks holiday, Gardening Club returned to Pennoweth unsure of what to expect around the gardening club area and within the polytunnel.

Nevertheless, after suiting up and throwing on the wellies, the first job of the week was to attend to the composting. For those unfamiliar with the site, this meant that the Poly tunnel was the first port of call. As the children stepped inside the tunnel, they were hit with a mix of emotions.

Firstly, we were excited to see that the radishes were continuing to grow well and had flourished during our time off. However, we were also sad to see that, something, or someone, had got to some of the leeks

and most disappointing, our one and only sweetcorn!

"It must be rats" exclaimed Keevah.

Next, we set to work transferring the radishes into bigger pots and were surprised to see how many radishes we had actually grown.

To finish, we did our usual weekly litter picking job before it was time to wash our hands for home.



Parent Governor Opportunity



Pennoweth School is seeking to recruit governors to join the local governing committee.

As an academy, we rely on a local governing committee to ensure the school remains accountable for the decisions it makes for children's education. Governors play a role in both supporting and challenging the school as it shapes education for our local community. We look to recruit people with a variety of skills to bring a diverse range of opinions to decision making.

The ideal candidate will have the ability to consider matters objectively and make informed judgements. Having an enquiring mind, the confidence to ask questions and debate issues that affect the school are also key attributes of an effective school governor.

What do school governors do?

Governors tend to meet 6 times throughout the year, once every half term; these meetings are usually on a Wednesday at 6pm and last for approximately 1.5 to 2 hours.

In order to perform this role well, a governor is expected to:

Get to know the school, including visiting the school occasionally during school hours, and gain a good understanding of the school's strengths and weaknesses;

Challenge and ask questions of senior leaders to ensure progress towards school goals;

Monitor the school's development in achieving set priorities;

Act in the best interest of the pupils and staff of the school;

Behave in a professional manner, as set down in the Governing Committee's code of conduct, including acting in strict confidence.

If you are interested in applying, or would like further information, please email the chair of governors (Deborah Reeve: deborah.reeve@croftymat.org) with an expression of interest. This should include your contact details and a short explanation about why you wish to become a governor at Pennoweth. If we have more than one candidate, we will ask you to take part in an election for the position. The closing date for applications is Friday 10th November 2023.

Crofty:

Pennoweth school is part of Crofty Multi Academy Trust. If you would like to find out more about the school or trust please follow the link below:

croftymat.org

Online Safety Update

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many apps which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit nationalcollege.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about



In October 2022, the enormously popular social media network Twitter was purchased by tech tycoon Elon Musk. That sparked a host of changes to the platform – not all which have been received positively by its fans. The alterations have continued with each passing month, many of them raising online safety concerns among the 530 million users of Twitter (now rebranded as simply X). With further adjustments reportedly in the pipeline, X has attracted more than its usual share of controversy and caution in recent times.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

A BLOCK ON BLOCKING

X has announced plans to remove its blocking feature. Previously, this stopped other users from viewing your profile or sending you direct messages, while also hiding their posts from your feed. Only this latter function will now remain. The decision has been criticised by some members, who feel that blocking (in its current form) protects them from X users who promote denial and hatred.

LIMITED REPORTING FEATURES

X offers a premium membership, with some functionality (such as controlling who can view and reply to your posts) increasingly being made exclusive to those who pay the subscription fee. Several commentators have speculated that X could one day become an exclusively paid-for service, with access to accounts being revoked for anyone unwilling or unable to take out a subscription.

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Many of X's less age-appropriate posts can feature anything from extreme political views to pornography. While accounts marked as 16+ are restricted from non-members, it's still fairly easy to stumble across this material accidentally. X's new 'For You' page also shows content from accounts that a user doesn't already follow – meaning that almost anything could end up on a child's feed.

VERIFICATION FOR SALE

Historically, Twitter's moderators granted account verification, certifying someone as authentic by placing a blue tick next to their username. One of X's earliest changes was to place verification behind a paywall; this caused the number of celebrity impersonators to rise and left no way to distinguish, say, a legitimate influencer from a copycat fake account seeking to exploit other users.

BLUE TICK SALE

Advice for Parents & Carers

PROTECT PRIVACY

Unsavory characters may try to gain access to a young person's X account – either to view their posts and gather information on them, or to completely take control of it. To minimise risk, ensure the account has a strong password and enable the 'Protect Your Posts' feature (via the account settings), so that strangers can't view your child's posts without first being approved as a follower.

DON'T RISE TO THE BAIT

To gain more views and followers, some X users post deliberately inflammatory comments on sensitive topics such as race, sexual orientation and gender issues. Many young people could find this upsetting. Emphasise that, if your child encounters someone spreading hate on X, it's best not to give that person what they want: an argument. Ignore them, mute their account and move on.

STAY ALERT FOR IMPOSTERS

Make sure your child understands that X's blue ticks no longer guarantee the identity of anyone on the platform. While it might be exciting if a celebrity liked your child's post, it could just as easily be an imposter with malicious intentions. If your child's not 100% sure that an X user actually is who they claim to be, advise them to err on the side of caution and avoid interacting with that account.

ONLY FOLLOW TRUSTED ACCOUNTS

Using the 'Following' tab on X helps to ensure that the only content your child sees has come from accounts they've chosen to follow; this should reduce the chance of them inadvertently being exposed to harmful, violent or explicit content. Show your child how to report another user's account if, say, they're behaving inappropriately by spreading misinformation or offensive opinions.

BE READY TO TAKE ACTION

If your child suffers harassment on the platform or becomes the target of a hack, you could consider deactivating their account entirely. Recently, X's safety features have been criticised for allegedly failing to protect users' wellbeing – so if your child is being subjected to abusive messages or similar mistreatment on the platform, it might be prudent to remove them from X altogether.

Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is Editor in Chief of gaming and esports site GGRacon and has worked in the gaming media for around four years. Always eager to test out the latest apps, games and online trends, he's also a parent who understands the importance of online safety. Writing mainly about tech and fitness, his articles have been published on influential sites including IGN and TechRadar.



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Further News and Announcements

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Together for Families 

The deadline for applications is 31 October 2023


Transfer to secondary school

September 2024

Applying for a place in year seven at a secondary school



Information and guidance
Website and application form: www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions
Email: schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk
Post: School Admissions Team, County Hall, Truro, TR1 3AY
Telephone: 0300 1234 101

www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions 

Applying for a secondary school place for September 2024

Special Educational Needs

If an Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plan has been issued for your child you do not need to complete an application form. Please contact the Statutory SEN Service for more information: Tel: 01872 324242 Email: statutorysen@cornwall.gov.uk

- 1 Decide on your preferred schools**

You are strongly advised to name **three** preferences on the application form. **Naming a second or third preference does not give you any less chance of getting a place at your preferred school.** When making your decision you should...

 - ...think about **how your child will get to school.** Go to www.cornwall.gov.uk/schooltransport for more information on whether your child would be entitled to home to school travel assistance.
 - ...look at the **admission arrangements** on our website that will be used to allocate places for each school.
 - ...consider naming your **nearest or designated school** as one of your preferences. You can find your nearest or designated school on our website.
 - ...look at the detailed **admissions information** on our website, also available on request.
- 2 Submit your application by 31 October 2023**

Apply online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions
- 3 Wait to find out which school you have been allocated**

If you applied on time you will be notified of your allocation on **National Offer Day: 1 March 2024. Apply on time!** Late applications will only be dealt with after National Offer Day and there may not be any places left at your preferred schools.

Further News and Announcements

FORE St, REDRUTH
TR15 2AE
The London Inn

GRAND OPENING

Fireworks Display



In aid of MIND CORNWALL

Adults £1 Child 50p
(correct change please)

Premier First For Property Care are pleased to announce the completion of the London Inn Apartments. To celebrate the grand opening there will be a fireworks display held at

7.30PM SATURDAY 4TH NOV

the viewing area will be the Red Lion Car Park

Early Help Hub

Tuesday 7th November 2.15 - 3.00
Pennoweth School Library

Would you like any support with parenting strategies, boundaries or have a child that has an additional need. Pop in for a cuppa and a biscuit and have a chat.



The Early Help Hub is the 'front door' to Early Help Services led by Cornwall Council

These services includes health visitors, school nurses, family support workers, targeted youth support workers, CAMHS as well as a range of parenting courses plus more.

Further News and Announcements

FRIENDS OF PENNOWETH

DRESS DOWN

AND

DONATE DAY

FRIDAY 24TH NOVEMBER

WE ARE LOOKING FOR DONATIONS OF SWEETS, CHOCOLATES, SOFT DRINKS, PARTY BAG ITEMS, AND TOILETRIES TO USE TOWARDS OUR CHRISTMAS FAIR.

ALL DONATIONS WILL CONTRIBUTE TOWARDS THE FAIR AND RAISING MONEY FOR FRIENDS OF PENNOWETH.

(CHRISTMAS FAIR - FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER)



Further News and Announcements

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Learn The Ukulele With Us

PARC EGLOS
SCHOOL
SATURDAY
MORNINGS
10:30-12

LET'S LEARN
AND PLAY!



LEARN:

- How to play ukulele
- Ukulele chords
- Basic strumming patterns

For more information, please contact:
[SSCOTT@CORNWALLMUSICSERVICETRUST.ORG](mailto:sscott@cornwallmusicserVICETRUST.ORG)



Further News and Announcements

THE
WRITERS'
BLOCK

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB FOR 7-11S

Join The Writers' Block new afterschool club for KS2 Children!



This 6 week after school club provides space for children to explore their creativity, discover their talents and have a great time! We will guide children to create their own stories through a mixture of **writing, drama, music and making** at our immersive and inspiring space.

When: 4.15-5.30pm Thursdays 2 November - 7 December

Where: The Writers' Block, The Ladder
2-4 Clinton Road
Redruth, TR15 2QE

To book: First Session FREE. Then £10/£15 for all the 5 remaining sessions.
Booking essential: www.thewritersblock.org.uk/events

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SCIENCE AND ARTS ACTIVITY DAY

For girls in Year 6

Dark Room Photography | Forensic Science Mystery | Explosive Science Experiments




TRURO HIGH SCHOOL
Where Girls Thrive

Sat 25 November 9.30 - 3.30
Sign up in advance. Spaces limited.

registrar@trurohigh.co.uk | 01872 242903

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Advanced booking recommended.
Sold out 2 years in a row!

“We All Join In”

A concert for the whole family

Including
Hall of the Mountain King
Sandpaper Ballet
Die Fledermaus
Radetsky March
Tico-Tico

Conductor **Chris Morgan**
Leader **Hywel Webley**



2:30pm, Sunday 3rd December

**Burrell Theatre
Truro TR1 1TH**

**£5 adult, £1 children
(under 5's free)**

thelittleboxoffice.com/coco

Further News and Announcements



Cubs in the Wild for
parents/carers & under
6s Tuesday morning
Contact donna@gwealantops.org
to book

Dance Club
Thursdays
Contact
kerry@gwealantops.org
to book

Free
Community
Family Meals
Wednesdays
4.30-6pm

Contact
deborah@gwealantops.org
to book



LEVELLING
UP

www.gwealantops.org
01209 697 717

Winter

OPENING TIMES
TUES 31 OCT -
TUES 19 DEC

Term time free drop in
adventure play sessions
for 7-16 year olds
Tuesday to Friday
3.15-5.30pm and
Saturday 12-4pm

ALL children must be registered
NEW USERS need to arrange an
induction session
See www.gwealantops.org
for more info

Youth Club
Free for 13s & overs
Just drop in Fridays, 5.30-7pm

Christmas Holidays
Wed 20 - Fri 22 Dec

Details to follow


Garfield Weston
FOUNDATION

Christmas afternoon

Adults
£5
Children
£10

December 10th, 1pm to 4pm

Fancy Dress competition
(children & adults)

Festive cricket

Elf Workshop

Stalls

&

Meet Santa

at Cornwall Cricket Centre

Book today at

<https://booking.ecb.co.uk/d/qpqkkd>

or scan the QR Code

