



Friday 17th May 2024

Pennoweth News

Welcome to the final edition of the Pennoweth Newsletter for this half term.

Once again we have had an action packed week across the school with another residential taking place for our Year 4 children, whilst our oldest children visited Bodmin Jail to end their historical learning this term.

May we remind all our parents that Monday 3rd June will be an Inset day and therefore the school will be closed to children. We will however, be very happy to welcome all our children back on Tuesday 4th June.

With that final message, lets dive in to the weekly round up from around the school.

Nursery

Nursery went on adventure this week to the park. Before the big day the children planned the resources we needed to take and the activities they wanted to try at the park, sharing their lovely knowledge about previous visits to the park. On the day of our adventure the children used a map to find the park excitedly leading the adults the correct way, once there the children explored flowers, bugs and different ways of moving their body, and no trip is complete without a picnic snack. We would like to say a massive thank you to all the adult helpers who made this wonderful trip happen.

Reception

Yesterday in Reception we made the most of the hour or so of good weather and had a Minibeast Party to celebrate the end of our topic. The children wore their minibeast crowns and helped decorate the bottom garden. We danced to music, ate Caterpillar cake and fruit kebabs and just had a lot of fun. Well done Reception for all their hard work this half term.

Keystage One

This week the Year 1 children have enjoyed creating a rainbow in their sketchbooks as part of one of their DNA experiences. The children have also enjoyed writing their own Scale Force wind description in their English lessons, the children all chose their preferred scale to describe. We had some fantastic writing this week.

Whereas in Year 2 this week, the children enjoyed sharing their work with their grown-ups and some children from year 6. They performed a poem and read the class story they had spent the last few days writing. They enjoyed eating their fruit salads which they had all prepared in the morning DT lesson.

Keystage Two

Having already touched on the topic of residential at the beginning of the newsletter, many of our Year Four children attended Pill Farm to take part in the annual residential. The children participated in Canadian Canoeing which was both physically challenging but also mentally challenging. The children had to work as a team to complete a number of activities and challenges set out by the instructor. The children were also treated to a companion throughout the day in the form of a seal. It was safe to say the children thoroughly enjoyed spotting the seal throughout the day and were hawkeyed to see where it would appear next! Whilst one group was canoeing, our other year fours were training their gaze on targets and firing a volley of arrows at a range of different objects. The children were superb throughout both activities and were a huge credit to the school. Well done Year Four.

In Upper Keystage Two, year 6 have been basking in post-SATS glory! In writing, children have been editing and rewriting a piece of work that they did in October – it has been amazing for them to see how much progress they have made throughout the year (and perhaps spot some silly mistakes in their writing!). We have also finished the half term off with an amazing trip to Bodmin Jail, where we experienced the 'dark walk' and saw the jail exactly as it would have been during the Victorian era. It was an awesome end to a fascinating topic!

School Lunches

Week beginning 03/06/24

(Week 2 choices from the Summer Term Menu)

Chartwells meal menu is on the school website

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)



Dates for your diary

End of Summer half term one

24th May 2024

INSET Day

Monday 3rd June 2024

Start of Summer Half Term Two

Tuesday 4th June 2024

End of Summer Half Term Two

Wednesday 24th July 2024

Please view page two of the Newsletter for further term dates.

A message for our Community—Announcements from the Government

The entitlement criteria for automatic payments from the Household Support Fund is changing.

In order to be entitled to a payment from the Household Support Fund scheme in 2024, you must be responsible for at least one child and on 3rd June 2024 either:

be entitled to Council Tax Support or

have been placed in emergency accommodation by the Council You will receive £80 per child. If you are already in receipt of Council Tax Support, then you don't have to do anything else – you will receive your payment automatically.

To find out if you are eligible for Council Tax Support, please check the information here <https://www.gov.uk/benefits-calculators> .

You can make a claim for Council Tax Support by using this link <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/council-tax-support/apply-for-council-tax-support/>

It is important that you submit your application by 31st May 2024.

You may also be entitled to help from the Household Support Fund via one of the Household Support Fund partners. Their details can be found here <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/household-support-fund/>

Why have we made this change?

Because entitlement to Free school meals has been protected since 2018, parents of children who are entitled to free school meals aren't always still on a low income. By using our Council Tax Support data, we can ensure that the Household Support Fund awards are going to parents who currently have a low income and are struggling with the increased costs of running their home. By better targeting the awards, we are able to help families with children of any age, rather than just school age children.

Families of children in receipt of free school meals can still access help through the Time2Move holiday programme. This scheme offers fun physical activities, games and wider activities plus a meal for all children during the main school holiday periods.

Over the past couple of weeks, our children have been creating 'gardens' to take part in a competition among local schools.

These gardens were created using a number of different plants, materials and structures that were innovatively placed together to form a unique garden design.



On this occasion, our year One Class team, lead by the wonderful Mrs Mallaber triumphed and won first prize. Followed close behind by our other year one team lead by Mrs Houghton.

It was amazing to see a beautiful array of designs and creations, and we once again would like to thank our wonderful staff for finding the time and providing the



materials for our pupils to once again excel in another creative field. Well done Team Pennoweth!

Diary from Keystage One Gardening Club

Another busy week of Gardening club took place this week in the run up to half term. Jobs, jobs and more jobs needed to be completed before the half term break to avoid the jungle we may come back to after the break.

On a warm, sunny day our first job was to check the plants and then give them a good watering as they were very dry in this lovely weather.

Next, we carried on with the weeding that we had started last week. More hands make light work and before long it was done and looking so much better. This area was prepped and now ready for planting some onions and some cabbages that Sol's Nans and Grandad had kindly given us.

Over the course of the week, the potatoes needed a top up of soil and then we all planted a tomato plant called rubinka , which is a cherry tomato, which we hope to take home in the near future.

" I don't like tomatoes " was a common reply but we agreed to take them home to grow for our families.....and we may even try one.

Last job was to sort a bag of bits and pieces that had been donated by a parent.



Once again a huge thank you to many of our parents and Mrs.Tait on this occasion, for continuing to support the school in its many ventures. The pots donated this week will come in very handy.

Finally a quick litter pick before we washed our hands ready for home.

Key Upcoming Dates for your Diaries

Summer 2

Monday 3rd June 2024

INSET Day (School closed)

Thursday 6th June 2024

Whole School Quidditch Event

WB 10th June

Year 4 Multiplication Times Table Check

Wednesday 19th—Friday 21st June 2024

Year 6 Camp

Week beginning 24th June

Sustainability week

Tuesday 25th June

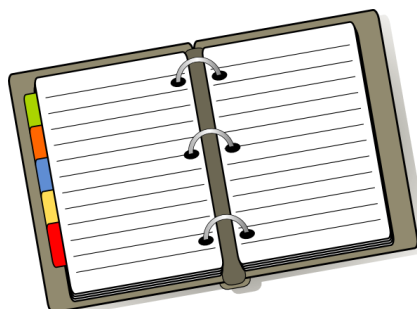
Year 2 Art Workshops

Wednesday 26th June

Year 4 trip to the Minack Theatre

Wednesday 3rd—Friday 5th July

Year 5 Camp



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 | Aiden (Tintagel) Xander (Restormel) Alba (Porthcurno) | Henry (Pendeen) | Izzy (Levant) |
| Loved | Minnie (Mevagissey) | Nylah (Pendeen) | Keira (Poldark) |
| Responsible | Grayson (Porthcurno) | Esme (Godrevy) | Harley W (Poldark) |
| Learning | Harry (Gwithian) | Kaydon (Godrevy) | Maisie (Levant) |
| Ready | Oliver (Tintagel) Shaswin (Restormel) Thomas (Newlyn) | Harris (Lizard) | Poppy (Geevor) |

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|--------------|---|
| Pendennis | Tintagel |
| Daily Awards | Darcy |
| Restormel | Porthcurno |
| Lena | Ayla |
| Gwithian | Newlyn |
| Kotryna | Esme |
| Mevagissey | Pendeen |
| Grace | Albie |
| Godrevy | Lizard |
| Connie | Ardhen |
| Levant | Geevor |
| Alfie | Adam |
| Poldark |  |
| Sofia | |

Read Write Inc.
Phonics



Headteacher's

Phonics Star of the Week

Awarded to

Finley (Restormel)

24/05/24

C. Andrews

Date



Signature



Read Write Inc.
Phonics



Headteacher's

Phonics Star of the Week

Awarded to

Megan (Gwithian)

24/05/24

C. Andrews

Date



Signature





READING STAR

CONGRATULATIONS TO

FOR MEETING READING GOALS



Reading Stars from around the school

Well done to all our reading stars who have achieved their reading targets for this half term!

Pendeen

Henry

Lyra

Mia

Skyla-Grace

Amelia

Lizard

Albie

Eleanor

Tom

Loki

Caden

Oli

Levant

Zach

Noah R

Wyatt

Freddie

Geevor

Rose

Scarlett

Adam

Mia

Tilly

Austeja

Attendance

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

Overall attendance for this week was

94.3%

see below for the attendance for each class last week.

| | |
|------------|------|
| Pendennis | 94.1 |
| Tintagel | 97.8 |
| Restormel | 89.5 |
| Porthcurno | 97.2 |
| Gwithian | 98.8 |
| Newlyn | 90.9 |
| Mevagissey | 92.7 |
| Pendeen | 96.7 |
| Lizard | 94.8 |
| Godrevy | 98.1 |
| Levant | 89.7 |
| Geevor | 89.3 |
| Poldark | 95.5 |

Congratulations Gwithian class!

Unauthorised Exceptional Leave of Absence Information

The law requires parents 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 the valuable time.

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

If an unauthorised leave of absence is taken, this may incur a penalty notice being issued under Section 444A, and 444B of the Education Act 1996. This carries 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 will result in Court action.

Unauthorised Late Information

If your child is arriving late—after the register has closed at 8:50am it will be coded as a U which, is an unauthorised late mark. If your child accrues 10 unauthorised late marks within 100 sessions (10 weeks) you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996.

The School may refer the matter to Cornwall Council who may decide to take legal action against you, issuing a penalty notice under section 444A, and 444B of the Education Act 1996. This carries a fine of £60 per child, per parent if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after this but within 28 days. Failure to pay the penalty notice will result in Court action.

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



Online Safety Support

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators ENCOURAGING HEALTHY FRIENDSHIPS

Navigating the complexities of childhood and adolescent friendships can be challenging – but with the right guidance, children and young people can cultivate meaningful, supportive relationships, some of which may last for many years. These top tips provide a comprehensive approach to fostering healthy friendships among children and young people. It's important to remember, however, that each child is different, and will require an individual approach to relationship support.

1 GRANT FRIENDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Encouraging children and young people to join extracurricular activities can foster healthy friendships by providing shared interests and common ground. Engaging in these pastimes offers a platform for interaction, sometimes alleviating the social pressure of knowing what to say, and helps children develop meaningful connections.

2 LEAD BY EXAMPLE

The children and young people in our lives see how we behave, the connections that we've made and the interactions between us and others. When we model healthy friendships, we set an example and help youngsters to understand what healthy friendships looks like and how to navigate them.

3 HELP THEM LOVE THEMSELVES

Healthy friendships aren't just about dynamics with other people. They're about our relationship with ourselves. For overall wellbeing, it's important for a child to have the space to build their self-esteem and a positive self-image, as these factors can have a notable influence on the friendships they form throughout life.

4 MONITOR SCREEN TIME

Too much screen time can affect some children's wellbeing in general, but it can specifically impact friendships if it results in fewer positive social interactions. In some cases, reducing screen time and encouraging children and young people to find ways to interact face-to-face can have positive results. It's also important to remember that young people can make positive friendships online, but they will require support to do this safely.

5 TEACH PROBLEM-SOLVING

Inevitably, friendships can run into problems. However, this is also an opportunity to support children and young people to work through any difficulties that may arise. It can be tempting to intervene and try to fix these issues for those involved, but helping them consider ways of resolving conflict or managing difficult situations for themselves can help them create stronger friendships.

6 EMPOWER THE CHILD

When we give children and young people the confidence to choose their friends, navigate interpersonal boundaries and consider how they want to interact with the different people around them, we empower them to take control of the friendships they have. When young people feel in control of these things, they're more likely to make positive choices and remain aware of the signs of a negative relationship.

7 TEACH EMPATHY

'Healthy friendships' doesn't always mean 'perfect'. Sometimes, disagreements can happen. When we teach children and young people to have empathy, we help them to see both sides of a relationship; to be mindful of the challenges a friend might be facing or whatever else might be going on. This can help children and young people to build stronger friendships.

8 BE OPEN TO QUESTIONS

Talking to young people about their friendships, who they spend time with and who they interact with can open the door to questions if they have concerns. Initially, these queries may be straightforward, but if we are receptive to discussion from the outset, young people are more likely to come to us for help when they are older as well.

9 UNDERSTAND BOUNDARIES

One of the keys to a healthy friendship is honouring boundaries. This can include anything from respecting personal space and belongings to acceptable language and behaviour. Understanding the importance of setting these limits and upholding those set by others can help children stay safe. If young people figure out their boundaries and feel comfortable enforcing them, they're more likely to call someone out if they go too far.

10 SPOT THE SIGNS

We can't always supervise young people: sometimes, we need to step back and give them some space. However, it's important to consider any indicators that they may be struggling in their friendships. Are they becoming increasingly irritable? Does their behaviour alter when they've been with their friends? Are they becoming withdrawn or reluctant to take part in certain activities? These could all be signs that they're finding things difficult, and we should remain alert to such changes.

Meet Our Expert

Becky Dawson is an experienced educator who has worked in primary and secondary schools for 20 years. She is a facilitator, consultant and coach working with young people and the adults who work with them, with a focus on developing understanding and skills around mental health, wellbeing and safeguarding.



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**WE ARE RUNNING
WEST COAST CLUB
DURING THE SUMMER
HOLIDAYS**

30/07/2024

01/08/2024

05/08/2024

07/08/2024



13/08/2024

15/08/2024

19/08/2024

21/08/2024

**WE ARE RUNNING A THEMED
WEST COAST CLUB DURING THE SUMMER
HOLIDAYS TO CELEBRATE THE OLYMPICS!!**

Lots of themed olympic
heros games, parkour,
gymnastics, craft,
movies!!

£26.00 PER CHILD

9 - 3PM

BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH



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WHERE CHILDREN ARE FREE TO PLAY

May Half Term

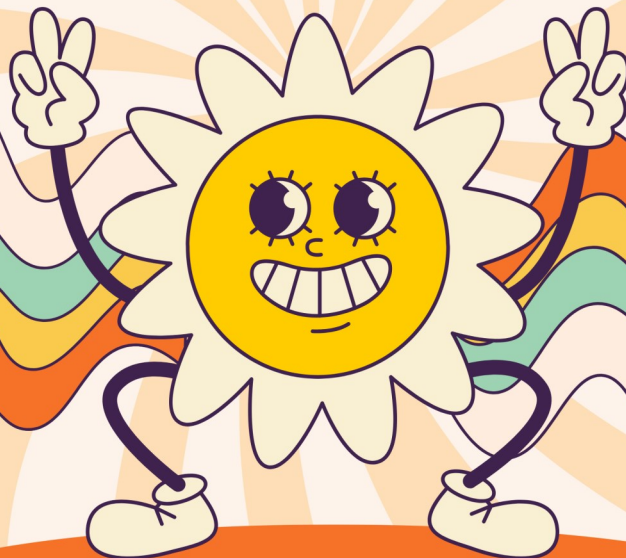
TUES 28 - FRI 31 MAY 2024

11AM-4PM

FREE HOT MEAL @ 12:30PM

FOR AGES 7-16

Children must be registered
New users must book an induction visit before they
attend by contacting manager@gwealantops.org



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Half Term Holiday Camps



Softball

Tuesday 28th May

5 to 8 year olds: 10am to
12pm £16

8 to 11 year olds: 1pm to
4pm £24

Hardball

Wednesday 29th May

8 to 13 year olds: 10am to
12pm £16

Club hardball players: 1pm
to 3pm £16



**At Cornwall
Cricket Centre**

Truro College Campus
Truro
TR1 3XX



To book scan the QR Code or use the link in the text

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HOCKEY SESSIONS



EVERY SUNDAY 2nd June - 7th July

10:00-11:00 am

Pool Academy
4-12 years

£3 per session
card or cash payment



Qualified coach at every
session with sticks provided

Sessions will resume in September so keep up to
date on our Facebook page: [duchyhockeyclub](#)
PARENTS- why not join in on the adjoining pitch
for walking hockey - let's get you back into it!

WALKING HOCKEY



Want to give hockey a go, but don't have the
fitness? Looking to get back into playing or trying
something new - WALKING HOCKEY is for you!

EVERY SUNDAY 2nd June - 7th July

10:00-11:00 am

Pool Academy
TR15 3PZ

£3 per session
card or cash payment

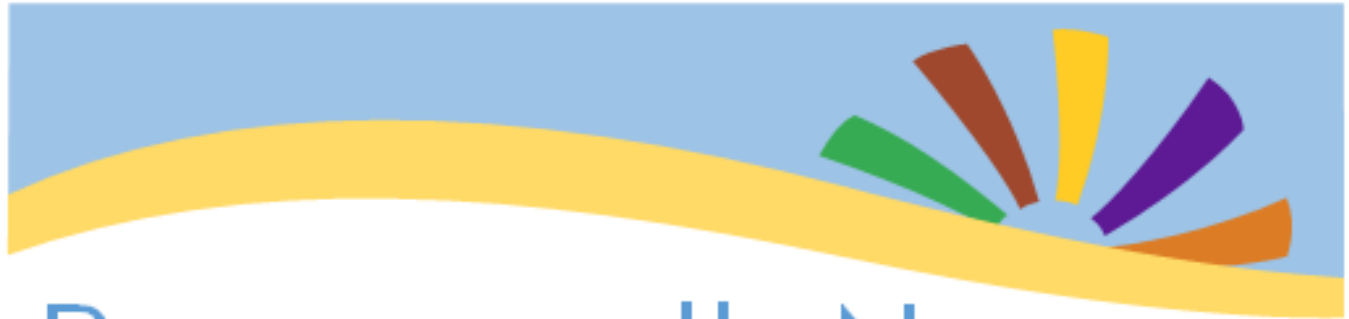


Sticks can be provided

Keep up to date on our Facebook
page: [duchyhockeyclub](#)



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Pennoweth Nursery

September 2024 places

Do you have a child born between
01-04-21 and 31-08-21?

If so, they will be eligible for 15hours free
education here at Pennoweth Nursery.

To apply for a place in September please pick
up a nursery admission form the school office.

For more information or to arrange a visit
please contact Miss Booth on 01209 215671
or email pennowetheyfs@croftymat.org

