





Friday 4th October 2024

Pennoweth News

Hello and welcome back to another edition of our Pennoweth News.

Another superb week has taken place here at Pennoweth. Our wonderful PTA hosted a Sensory walk yesterday where a series of different 'surfaces' were created for our children to touch, feel and explore as they made their way through the trail. It was well attended and enjoyed by a number of our Community. A huge thank you from all of us to our PTA for hosting and delivering the event.

Earlier this week, we had the Screech Owl Sanctuary Visit for our Year 3's and 4's as part of their current topic Predator. They met a number of different creatures big and small. There was even a bit of a stir when one of the owls decided to poop on our floor! Luckily enough, we were well prepared for this and it was Cleared and sorted ahead of our usual busy lunchtime!

Finally, our local Police Community Officer PC Kirsty, was once again delivering workshops to our children. She is a welcome sight here at Pennoweth, and we love having her help us at the beginning and at the end of the day to welcome and say good bye to all our children and parents.

Without any further delay, lets have a look at what has been going on around the school.

Keystage One

Year 1 have enjoyed learning all about the 5 senses this week in Science! By the end of the learning, the Children could identify all 5 senses, and which parts of the body are used with each sense. The Children have also been developing their math skills by using part-whole models to partition numbers.

Year 2 really enjoyed our trip into Redruth town this week, where we visited William Murdoch's house, a beautiful mural of William Murdoch and ticked off one of our experiences as we visited Rowe's bakery. There was even time for every child to pay for their own cookie and have an opportunity to experience paying for a product. The children are now using their writing skills to write a diary recalling the events and how much they enjoyed the trip.

Keystage Two

It has been a very busy but exciting week in Lower Keystage Two this week!

They concluded their Predator project with a visit from Screech Owl Sanctuary. During the talk, they met a barn owl called 'Hannah'; Wheatley' the tawny owl and polecats 'Mork' & 'Mindy'. For each animal, the children learned about their diet and their specific features that help them to hunt and kill prey.

Their new project, Mighty Metals, was launched with a Love To Investigate science experiment - Can you block magnetism? Following this, they experienced a DT morning where they learned about mechanisms, including axles, cams and followers, and how they work together to create movement. In small groups, Children then Created their own mechanisms, showing great communication and teamwork.

Today, Year 3 pupils visited Redruth Library for a poetry workshop which encouraged a love for words, enabling Children to Create their own poems. This experience will benefit the Children as they begin a poetry unit in writing next week!

In years 5 and 6 this week, we have finished our incredible mystery narratives! Children have been trying to create suspense in their writing and have made us feel very tense. Lots of Children have also managed to fit our 'word spot' word bombinate into their writing. We are at the end of our topic 'Darwin's Delights' which we ended with an amazing investigation trying to extract DNA from strawberries! Children accurately followed a method and, if done correctly, were able to extract and see the DNA in the strawberry plant. We also spent some time this week discussing whether selective breeding in animals, especially dogs, was a morally right thing to do and whether animals should be allowed to evolve without human interference. What an amazing few lessons we have had!

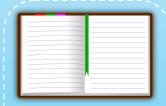
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lowerKS2@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk (for Years 3 and 4)

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



Dates for your diary

Start of Autumn Term (1)

Wednesday 4th September 2024

End of Autumn Term (1)

Friday 25th October 2024

Start of Autumn Term (2)

Monday 4th November 2024

End of Autumn Term (2)

Friday 20th December 2024

Yearly Inset Days

14th October 2024

6th January 2025

24th February 2025

22nd April 2025

27th June 2025

23rd July 2025

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

School Lunches

Week beginning 07/10/24

(Week 2 Choices from the Spring) Summer Term Menu)

Chartwells meal menu is on the school website

Autumn 1

Tuesday 8th October

Early Years and Keystage 1 Harvest Festival visit @ St Andrews Church

Friday 11th October

Year 3 and Year 4 Harvest Festival visit @ \$t Andrews
Church

Monday 14th October

INSET DAY—SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS

Monday 21st October

Police Workshop for Years 5 & 6 (In School)

Tuesday 22nd October

EHH Parent Coffee Morning (9:00am in School)

Wednesday 23rd October

Year 1 visit to the Mosely Museum

Thursday 24th October

PTA Disco



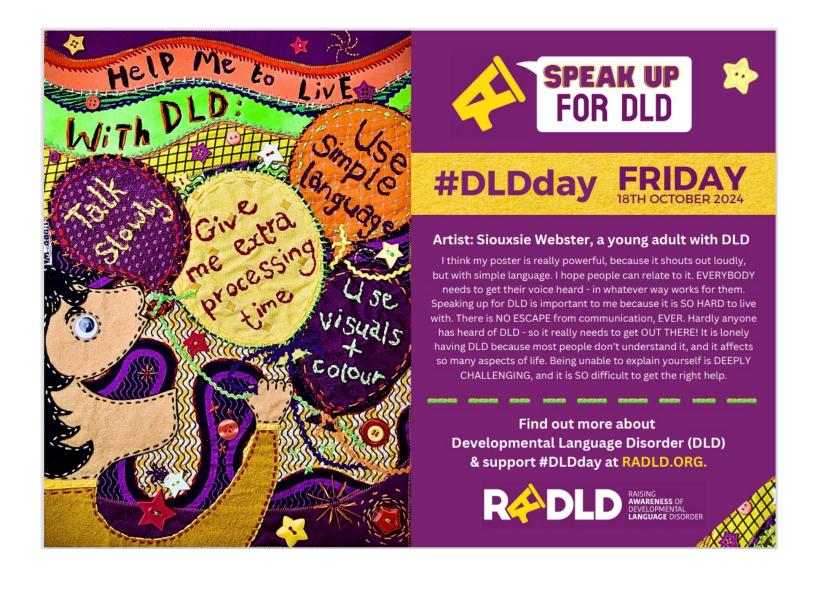
Important Updates regarding Attendance

There are 175 non-school days in a year and 190 school days each year.

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190	absence	_					
school days in	183	10 days absence					
each year	days in						
190 days for your child's education	school	180 days in school	19 days absence 171 days in school and the equivalent of a month not in school that year		47 days absence 143 days in school		
100%	96%	95%	90%	85%	75%		
Good -Best chance of su -Gets your child of start -Helps their confid development as w ademic progress -Over 97% is consi excellent attendar	ff to a flying dence, social ell as their ac- idered	Some Concern -Harder for your child to make progress -School starts tracking your child's attendance closely, Medical evidence may be required to authorise further absences linked to ill- ness	sistent absentee' - Education Welfare	Serious Concern -Having a significant your child's education being -Legal Action may be	on and well-		

Key Upcoming Days

Developmental Language Disorder (DLD) affects, on average, 2 children in every class of 30. Children with DLD have difficulty understanding what people say to them, and struggle to articulate their ideas and feelings. DLD is 7 times more common than Autism, but hardly anyone has heard of it. Find out more by visiting radid.org.



Friends of Pennoweth Upcoming 2024 Winter Term

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Messy Fun Walk - Thursday 26th September
We will be holding our first sensory fun walk after
school. Come along to try the squishy messy fun. We will
also have a fidget & squishy sale and tuck shop.
All proceeds from this events will go towards equipment
for the new sensory room.

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Friends of Pennoweth AGM - Tuesday 1st October 7pm
Pennoweth School Hall
Stay informed and get involved!
You can put in as much or little time as you can spare any help is always appreciated.

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Bag2School Collection - Wednesday 8th October

Half Term Discos - Thursday 24th October

Wreath Workshop - Thursday 5th December
Come along and make your own Christmas wreath.

Message us to book.

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A Diary entry from our Keystage One Gardening Club

After Changing into our work clothes, we sat and talked about the potatoes that we dug up last week, whilst we ate our snacks. We then asked the Children hwo they had enjoyed their potatoes from last weeks session.

- "I had mine with Jacket potato" said Sol
- "I mushed mine into a jacket potato with cheese and beans" said Georgie
- "I planted mine in my garden because it was way too small!" exclaimed Piran
- "I had mine as mash potato with cheese, beans and cucumber" said Leo

Then we headed to the polytunnel. Some of us chose to do litter picking, whilst the others helped Mrs. Mallaber to start the weeding. Wow! What a job.

There were so many weeds and leaves. Autumn has really taken a hold. Whilst weeding the second plot we were surprised to find, hidden in the weeds, some onions!

"I remember planting these" Sol told his friends.

Unfortunately they hadn't grown very big and some of them had disappeared (or been enjoyed and eaten by little animals) but the Children weeding all managed to find one to take home.

Some of the litter pickers came back now to swap jobs and decided to water the plants. Although it was only the plants inside that needed it! The outside plants have had their fair share of water recently.

Before long it was time to head back in and wash our hands before home time.







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.

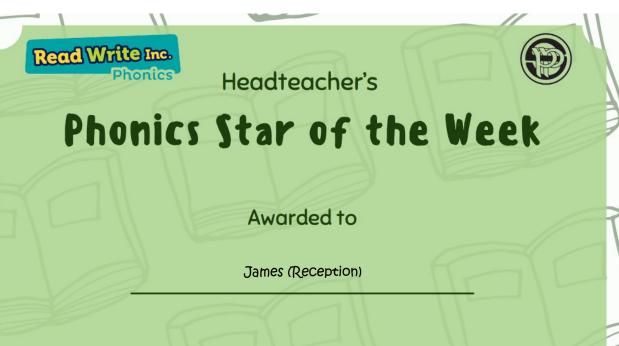
We are safe.
We feel loved.

We take responsibility.
We are always learning.
We are ready.

Quality	Year R y1 and Y2	Year 344	Year 546
Safe	Reuban (Tintagel)	Aliza (Pendeen)	Lochlan (Geevor)
	Tapiwa (Tintagel)		
	Albie (Restormel)		
	Jack (Restormel)		
	Sol (Newlyn)		
Loved	Georgie (Mevagissey)	Georgie (Pendeen)	Braxon (Poldark)
Responsible	Cowen (Porthcurno)	Lyra (Godrevy)	Aela (Geevor)
Learning	Jago (Gwithian)	Mia (Godrevy)	Emmie (Levant)
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Ready	Coby (Gwithian)	Rosen (Lizard)	Khian (Poldark)

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

Pendennis	Tintagel
Daily Awards	Elsie
Restormel	Porthcurno
Luca	Darcy H
Gwithian	Newlyn
Şeb	Harper
Mevagissey	Pendeen
Logan	Olivia
Godrevy	Lizard
Jamie	Рорру Д
Levant	Geevor
Jakob	Joseph
Poldark	
Blaise	





04/10/24 Date



C.Andrews

Signature



Headteacher's



Phonics Star of the Week

Awarded to

Gracie (Year 1)



04/10/24

Date



C.Andrews

Signature



Attendance

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

Overall attendance for this week was

95.7%

See below for the attendance for each class last week.

Pendennis	98.6%
Tintagel	87.2%
Restormel	99.6%
Porthcurno	88.3%
Gwithian	97.2%
Newlyn	96%
Mevagissey	98.5%
Pendeen	92.1%
Lizard	95.2%
Godrevy	99.4%
Levant	100%
Geevor	99.3%
Poldark	93.1%

Congratulations Pendennis, Restormel, Newlyn, Mevagissey, Godrevy, Levant & Geevor 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 ${\cal O}$ 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 Update



Attendance Support

er and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate ind 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.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

UNDERSTANDING SCHOOL AVOIDANCE Emotionally Based School Avoidance is a term used to refer to reduced attendance or non-attendance at school by a child or young person. It's often rooted in emotional, mental health or wellbeing issues. The rate of children who miss school more than 10% of the time in England has more than doubled since before the pandemic: rising from 10.9% in 2018-19, to 22.3% in 2022-23.

IMPACT OF SCHOOL AVOIDANCE

REASONS FOR ABSENCE

School avoidance is sometimes underpinned by several factors rather than one single cause. This could include something going on for the child or young person within the family or at school. A child may have carring responsibilities at home, for instance, or a change in family dynamics; bullying and friendship difficulties at school; pressure to achieve in schoolwork and events or maying from primary school to



PATTERNS OF ABSENCE

You may notice patterns in regular absences or children regularly expressing that they don't want to attend school (particularly being reluctant to leave home on school days), if a child or young person is neurodiverse, there is some evidence to suggest there are more aspects of school life which can cause distress—such as changes in the environment, changes of routine and sensory stimuli.

LONG-TERM OUTCOMES

COMPLAINTS ABOUT PHYSICAL SYMPTOMS

There may be an increase in a child or young person's complaints about physical symptoms, particularly on school days or the evening before school. These could include complaining of a tummy ache, headache, or saying they feel ill when there doesn't appear to be a medical cause. Always check with the GP first to rule out medical causes or illness.

CYCLE OF ABSENCE

Advice for Parents & Educators

WORK TOGETHER

If there's a concern about a child's absence and emotional wellbeing, it's importanthat there is clear communication and a consistent approach between the child's parents and the school, so you can take a child-centred approach together towards a plan of support or reintegration. This ensures a consistency of approach from both home and school, creating better outcomes for the child.

MANAGING OVERWHELMING FEELINGS

While there may be times you feel frustrated or angry, try to stay calm; acknowled; the child's worries, listen and discuss a range of coping strategies together to help them face the discomfort and overwhelming feelings. These could include mindfulness, deep breathing or going for a walk and practice the strategies in less overwhelming situations first.

FOLLOW REGULAR ROUTINES

Children can benefit from a regular and consistent routine. This could be a morning routine, from waking up and having breakfast through to getting dressed, pocking their bag and leaving the house. A consistent evening routin which is calm and limited time on screens can also give children much needed predictability and familiarity. Schools can help create a timetabled routine for the child's school day, if required.

REDUCE STIMULATING ACTIVITIES AT HOME

If a child is avoiding school, reduce their access to more stimulating activities (such as watching television, playing games and spending time with friends) during school hours, where possible. This reduces the potential for the child having rewarding experiences at home, which could be interpreted as a positive aspect of avoiding school.

Meet Our Expert

With 30 years' experience as a teacher, trainer, consultant and interim executive board member, Anna Bateman has a superb understanding of what works in pedagogy, school improvement and leadership. She has also advised the Department for Education on their mental health

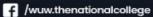




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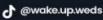
Source: See full reference list on guide page at: nationalcollege.com/guides/school-avoidance







(6) @wake.up.wednesday



Coffee morning with the SENDCo and Early Help Hub

Please come along on Tuesday 22nd October 9.00am - 10.00am Pennoweth Primary School

Join us for a morning tea or coffee to meet the school SENDCo, early help hub family worker and parenting worker.



Everyone's welcome

We look forward to seeing you!





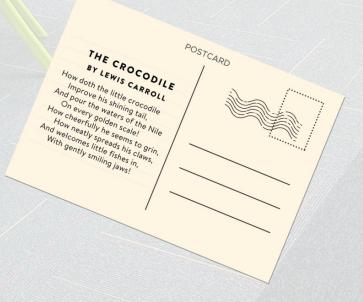
POETRY POSTCARDS ATREDRUTH LIBRARY

FREE DROP IN SESSION SUITABLE FOR ALL

10:00-12:30 SATURDAY 5TH OCT

CREATE YOUR OWN POEM ON A POSTCARD

Part of our free
Fun Palaces
poetry weekend.



Redruth Library, Civic Centre, Alma Place, Redruth, TR15 2AT



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- www.emergencysms.org.uk)

Hello, from your Local Neighbourhood Team.

Happy half term!

The celebration of Halloween seems to get bigger every year in the UK. While it should be fun, it does present opportunities for deliberate anti-social behaviour or inadvertent upset for vulnerable people in our communities.

Lots of people will be celebrating Halloween next week, but there are also lots of people who will now want to. Please be considerate and kind to those who might be distressed by strangers knocking at their door during the evening.

Stick to houses of people you know or those who are open to having trick or treaters - decorations are usually a good indicator.

We also have been circulating posters this year:



Here is a link to several posters on the D&C website. you might like to print out: Halloween | Devon & Cornwall Police (devon-cornwall.police.uk)

Unfortunately, we do also see an increase in the use of eggs and flour being thrown over people's properties and vehicles, to help combat this, retailers will be selling eggs and flour at their own discretion. You may see posters in many of your local shops highlighting the limit of sale.



Borrfire night is again another great celebration, and we would like everyone to have fun and keep safe. The best way to do this is by attending an organised display.

Please be mindful that not everyone enjoys bonfire night. Used irresponsibly, fireworks can damage property and hurt people and animals. Please keep pets safe indoors and never set off fireworks near amirma la

Please remember fireworks aren't toys, you must be over 18 to buy fireworks and you must not use them in a public place.

We would like to wish you all a very happy and safe half term full of fun, tricks, and treats.

Camborne Neighbourhood Team.



Saturday 5th and 12th October

10am - 12pm

Jubilee and Memorial Hall

Wesley St

Redruth TR15 2EG

Saturday19th and 26th October

10am-12pm

Large Annexe

Camborne Community Centre

9 South Terrace Camborne TR14 8SU

Cobb Riddle and Spall

invite budding singers and performers of all ages to join us to explore the songs from this original Cornish musical in a fun way. No experience necessary.

balmaidenmusical.org.uk





The Winner will receive a Halloween Hamper which will include lots of Halloween Treats!!



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The deadline for applications is 15 January 2025

Starting school

September 2025

Applying for a place in a reception class for children born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021



Attending a nursery or pre-school

You will need to apply even if your child attends a school's nursery or pre-school class. Please note that if a school is oversubscribed the fact that a child attends a school's nursery or pre-school, or a local nursery or pre-school, does not automatically guarantee a place at that school. The school's oversubscription criteria will be used to allocate places. Visit our website or contact us for more information.

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



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Together ♥
for Families

The deadline for

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15 January

2025

Do you have a child born **between**

1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021?

If so, you will need to apply for a place in a reception class in September 2025 for your child by the deadline of **15 January 2025**.





Please note: you will need to apply even if your child attends a school's nursery or preschool class. If a school is oversubscribed the fact that a child attends a school's nursery or pre-school, or a local nursery or pre-school, does not automatically guarantee a place at that school. The school's oversubscription criteria will be used to allocate places. Visit our website or contact us for more information.

Visit www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions for more information and to access the online application system.







Applying for a reception class place for September 2025

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

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 you will get your child 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 15 January 2025

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: 16 April 2025. 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.