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#### Friday 18th October 2024

# Pennoweth News

Welcome back to another edition of the Pennoweth Newsletter.

As we begin to look towards the holidays with our final week taking place next week, we would like to share some of the Children's learning that has taken place over the week.

This week has seen our Reception cohort undertaking some tricky tasks as they showed our awesome Early Years team what they have learnt since joining Pennoweth. We have also continued our musical focus this half term, where Year 3 and 4 have continued to develop their ukelele skills alongside the ever present Rocksteady bands working towards their performances.

Please be aware there is a slight Change to next weeks menu. On Thursday, the red Choice will be Beef Bolognaise replacing the usual Turkey Lasagne.

Before we dive into the weekly roundup, please could we remind parents that with the upcoming winter months we need to continue to follow the sickness guidance. If your child/children have experienced a sickness or diarrhoea bug, the school would ask that you keep them home for 48 hours since the last time they have experienced the above symptoms to avoid further spreading the bugs around the school.

#### Nursery

This week in Nursery, the Children learnt about the artist Sheila Hicks, who finds inspiration in the colours around her. We talked about the beautiful colours of autumn and used them to create our own textile sculptures in her style. The children chose colours and textures that reminded them of different things like falling leaves and pumpkins, talking about why they made those choices. It was a fun way to explore art and nature together!

#### Reception

This week we have been reading the story Room on the Broom' and making our very own potions. The children have made a list of all their ingredients and have used their phonic knowledge to try and write the initial sounds. Next week we are looking forward to making them outside. We have been talking about 1 more and 1 less in maths and using songs and stories to bring the learning to life.

#### Keystage One

Year 1 have enjoyed learning all about First Aid/ CPR. The children learnt how to get somebody into the recovery position and when to do so. This week in maths the children have been learning all about subtracting a part. The children have been using practical resources to help them understand this concept.

Year 2 have enjoyed getting stuck into our new topic and beginning to learn some persuasive writing features in order to sell a new, bouncy ball that they have designed! This week year 2 have been creative in art and designed and created an abstract display piece and are looking forward to getting this displayed in the classroom.

#### Keystage Two

This week, as scientists, LKS2 investigated friction and how objects move over different surfaces by timing how quickly a toy Car travels down a ramp. The ramp was covered in a different material each time, including hessian and foil. The pupils on the skills of making predictions and the variables that ensure a fair test before Carrying out the experiment, and then had to analyse the results before drawing a Conclusion.

As writers, Children have drawn on all their science knowledge to write an explanation text about forces, including push, pull, friction, gravity and air resistance. This has enabled Children to Consolidate their project learning, but also think about specific non-fiction features, such as subheadings, diagrams and technical vocabulary.

In maths, Year 3 and 4 have been working through the addition 4 subtraction unit of learning for their year group. It would be fantastic if you could encourage your child to practise their adding and subtracting skills at home. Remember, they can share any learning at home with the class too!

Our phase email addresses are:

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

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

 ${\bf lowerKS2@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk}~(for~Years~3~and~4)$ 

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 21/10/24

(Week 1 choices from the Spring/ Summer Term Menu)

Chartwells meal menu is on the school website

#### Key Upcoming Dates for your Diaries

#### Autumn 1

#### 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

#### Autumn 2

#### Monday 25th November

Parent Meetings

#### Tuesday 26th November

Parent Meetings

#### Wednesday 4th December

Keystage 2 Christmas Concert @ St Andrews Church
1:30pm

#### Thursday 5th December

Early Years & Keystage 1 Christmas Concert @ St Andrews Church 1:30pm

PTA Wreath Workshop (Taking place during the evening)

#### Monday 9th December

EYFS Christingle Service @ Baptist Church 1:30pm

#### Tuesday 10th December

Keystage 1 Christingle Service @ Baptist Church 1:30pm

#### Friday 13th December

Upper Keystage 2 @ 10:00am at the Baptist Church

Lower Keystage 2 @ 1:30pm at the Baptist Church

#### Wednesday 18th December

Christmas Lunch

Songs on the Steps

#### Friday 20th December

Christmas Breakfast

Last school day for Autumn term



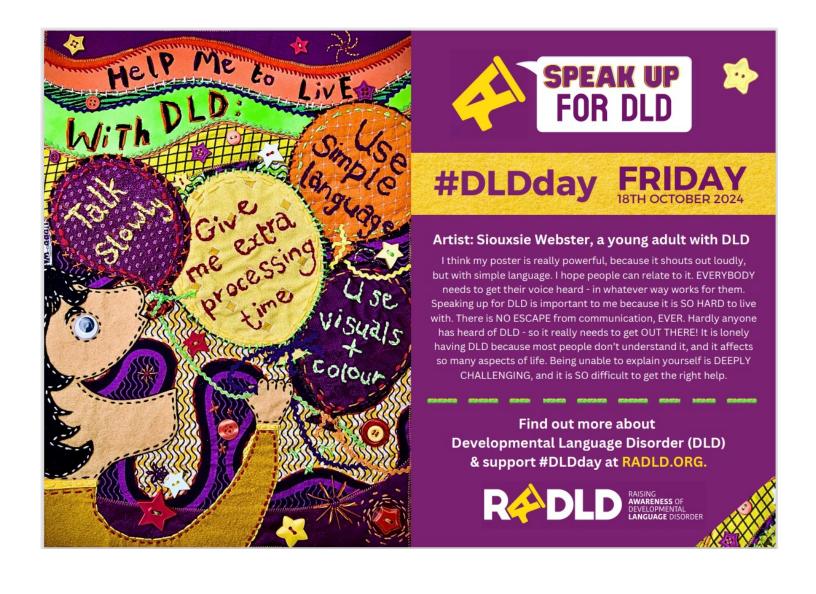
### Important Updates regarding Attendance

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

	7 days						
190	absence	_					
school days in	183						
each year	days in	10 days absence					
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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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
Şafe	Arlo (Tintagel)	Elias (Lizard)	Harris (Levant)
	Clara (Tinagel)		
	Lynette (Restormel)		
	Willow (Restormel		
	Megan (Newlyn)		
Loved	Mia M (Mevagissey)	Esme (Lizard)	Esme (Geevor)
Responsible	Gracie (Gwithian)	Maisie (Pendeen)	Aira (Poldark)
Learning	Hafsa (Gwithian)	Elden (Pendeen)	Kingsley (Geevor)
Ready	Aaliyah (Porthcurno)	Natalie (Godrevy)	Layla (Levant)

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

Pendennis	Tintagel
Daily Awards	Harper
Restormel	Porthcurno
River	Гхів
Gwithian	Newlyn
Shashwin	Bella
Mevagissey	Pendeen
Chorena	Tom
Godrevy	Lizard
Robert	Şyrus
Levant	Geevor
Cody	Jacob
Poldark	
Summer	$\succ$



Headteacher's



### Phonics Star of the Week

Awarded to

Poppy B (Restormel)



18/10/24

Date



C.Andrews

Signature





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### Phonics Star of the Week

Awarded to

Reuban (Year 1)



18/10/24

Date



C.Andrews

Signature





# READING STAR



CONGRATULATIONS TO

Caden W (Geevor)

FOR MEETING READING GOALS



# READING STAR



CONGRATULATIONS TO Albie (Geevor)

FOR MEETING READING GOALS



### Attendance

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

Overall attendance for this week was

95.6%

See below for the attendance for each class last week.

Pendennis	87.1%
Tintagel	99%
Restormel	96.2%
Porthcurno	94.3%
Gwithian	92%
Newlyn	92.2%
Mevagissey	93.5%
Pendeen	97%
Lizard	97.6%
Godrevy	98%
Levant	99.5%
Geevor	97.4%
Poldark	93.5%

Congratulations Tintagel, Restormel, Pendeen, Lizard,

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

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 national college.com. 10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators **USING AND REVIEWING** Phones and computers are essential parts of children's lives, but with unfettered internet access comes a multitude of risks. While not foolproof, parental controls can help with this; filtering out inappropriate content, limiting the ability to spend real money, capping screen time and generally making devices safer for young people. 1 KNOW THE TYPES NO CONTROLS ARE PERFECT one parental control software can apply an entire device, it also pays to know about tions on individual apps and websites. Tiktok, example, hos Restricted Mode for limiting suitable videos, while Snapchat lats you keep eye on who a child has been talking to. Check settings of any new app young users want d review your options. Parental controls can be very useful, but they're far from infallible. Some unpleasant content can and unfortunately will slip through the net, so remember that setting up these measures isn't a substitute for taking an active interest in young people's digital lives. Talk to them, and make sure they're aware of the risks of the internet as well as its benefits. 2 COVER ALL DEVICES MIND THE **DON'T NEGLECT** SHARED TECH 8 KEEP THINGS SECURE , while chains of the move that own devices, if you have a shared family computer or tablet, for example, you'll need to make sure that's not a weak point in your safety measures. Penetal controls for your router, that cover everything connected to your WI-Fi, are one option — or you can just be thorough with each device and online account. Just ensure that unprotected leastern before and rolling account. Some children can react poorly to parental controls and feel tempted to circumvent them. It's important to ensure that the passwords these settings remain unknown to children, otherwise they can easily modify the restriction without you knowing. Similarly, make sure you phone isn't left unlocked and unattended. PARENT ACLESS CONSIDER TIME REVIEW CONTROLS REGULARLY Even safe internet content can be harmful if it's viewed in excess. Not only are certain apps addictive enough to distract from other duties, but late-night usage can badly disrupt sleep, which is vital for adolescent brain development. Most parental controls offer some kind of time limit – either blocking access at certain hours or capping the number of minutes it can be used per day – so be sure to consider these. 10 KNOW WHEN TO LET UP 5 BLOCK APP SPENDING Meet Our Expert The Alan Martin is an experienced technology journalist and the former deputy editor of technology and internet culture website Alphr. Now freelance, he has contributed articles to publications including the New Statesman, CNET, the Evening Standard, Wired, Rock Paper Shotgun, Gizmodo, Pocket Gamer, Stuff, T3, PC Fro, Macworld, TechRadar and Trusted Reviews. National College

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### Attendance Support

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# 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

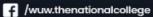




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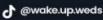
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### **RSVP BY 16TH OCTOBER**

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# Coffee morning with the SENDCo and Early Help Hub

Please come along on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> 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.

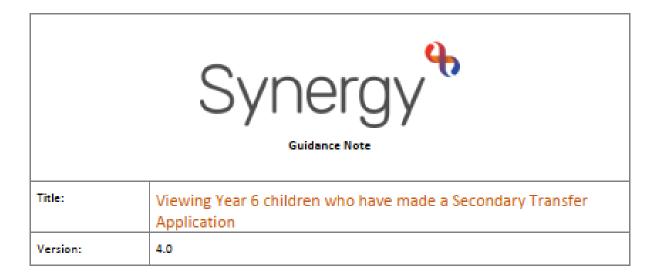


Everyone's welcome

We look forward to seeing you!



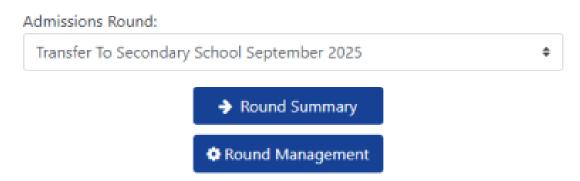




This is a brief guide on how to check daily for year 6 children registered at your school who have made a secondary school transfer application, so that any chasing can be done for non-applicants.

Viewing Year 6 Children who have made a Secondary Transfer Application:

In Synergy SAM - you will need to go to:



Then please click on the Round Summary button.





The deadline for applications is 31 October 2024

Transfer to secondary school

September 2025

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









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# **Autumn Discos**

### **THURSDAY 24TH OCTOBER**

RECEPTION & KS1 3.15-4.20

COLLECTION FROM THE KS1 CLASSROOMS TO THE RIGHT OF RECEPTION

DROP OFF TO MAIN RECEPTION
COLLECTION FROM THE KS1 CLASSROOMS TO THE
RIGHT OF RECEPTION

### £3 PER TICKET

WE WILL HAVE OUR OWN PTA DJ SAMMY PROVIDING MUSIC AND GAMES

PRICE ALSO INCLUDES A BAG OF SWEETS, PACKET OF CRISPS, DRINKS, TATTOOS AND GLITTER (PLEASE PLACE MONEY IN A NAMED ENVOLOPE)





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

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Post: School Admissions Team, County Hall, Truro, TR1 3AY

Telephone: 0300 1234 101



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Together ♥
for Families

The deadline for

applications is

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.