





Friday 15th November 2024

Pennoweth News

Welcome back to another edition of the Pennoweth News!

This week, once again it has been another busy week here at Pennoweth. We celebrated Children in Need today through hosting a non-school uniform day. There was an array of Pudsy's and spots on show, alongside some amazing outfits. We would like to thank our incredible community for their donations today. All of this money will make its way to the Charity in the coming days and help those children who are most vulnerable.

This week, we were also able to Celebrate with some of our parents the brilliant work that our Children have been completing and Creating within our forest school provision. Parents and Carers joined us on Wednesday for an action packed afternoon with Mrs Mathews and really got to grips with what our Children have been up to. Once again, a huge thank you to all our parents who joined us for this event.

In other news, next Thursday (21st November), we will be putting on our first 'POP' event where we would like to invite all parents who would like to know about our recent changes to our timetable. This will be the first in a series of events aimed at providing further information on what is currently taking place within our school and to inform parents of key updates around your children's learning. The PTA will also be in attendance providing refreshments. This will be taking place straight after drop off in the morning and last for roughly half an hour (9:00am—9:30). We look forward to seeing you all there.

Without any further delay, we will dive into our weekly round up from around the school.

Nursery

The Children have been exploring the differences between the toys they played with as babies and the toys they enjoy now. They have been thinking about why babies Can't use some toys and how their own abilities and interests have Changed as they've grown.

In the home corner, the Children extended their roleplay by using baby toys with the dolls, pretending to Care for them like real babies. This encouraged Creativity, teamwork, and empathy as they worked together to develop their ideas.

Reception

This week we have been getting a little Creative and making our own collages inspired by the artist Alma Thomas. We have made colourful patterns using a variety of different materials and compared them to the colours we see outside. In Maths we have been learning all about the composition of 4 and 5 and helped by singing songs such as 5 Little Speckled Frogs and 5 Currant Buns.

Keystage One

Year 1 have enjoyed our Maths lessons this week where we have been learning about 3-D shapes. They have also been engaging in Art lessons where we made leaf prints using resources we found outside. The children were challenged to only use secondary colours. Can they name all three?

Year 2 have enjoyed testing whether balls float or sink as part of our science unit within bounce and are improving their recording skills as each week goes by. They have written some fabulous stories about frogs and are getting really good at Makaton to go along with our Christmas songs.

School Lunches

Week beginning 18/11/24

(Week 3 choices from the Autumn/ Winter Term Menu)

Chartwells meal menu is on the school website



Dates for your diary

Start of Autumn Term (2)

Monday 4th November 2024

End of Autumn Term (2)

Friday 20th December 2024

Start of Spring term (1)

Tuesday 7th January 2025

End of Spring Term (1)

Friday 14th February 2025

Half term

Monday 17th— Friday 21st February 2025

Yearly Inset Days

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.

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)







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Keystage Two

In Lower Key Stage Two, we are enjoying reading our new text, The Firework Maker's Daughter by Philip Pullman. So far, the Children have encountered the main character Lila and her father, the firework maker. However, her father refused to share the firework maker's secret with her, so Lila has run away from her and the adventure to Mount Merapi has begun. This week, Lila reached the jungle and came across some rather clumsy 'fishermen', which provided a lot of humour in our class reading sessions. The focus reading skill this week was to predict – thinking about what we had read so far and making sensible suggestions as to what might happen next. Perhaps children can practise this skill with the book they are reading at home.

As writers, Years 3 and 4 have been learning about persuasive speeches and writing their own persuasive speech about combatting climate Change. Pupils worked hard to include lots of specific persuasive speech features, such as alliteration, facts, emotive language and rhetorical questions, to convince their audience to help fight against climate Change.

As scientists, pupils are enjoying learning about different types of rocks: igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic. Ask them if they can remember the difference between each type. You could even go on a rock hunt! Can they identify the type of rock? Take time to describe the properties of the rock, e.g. rough, smooth, jagged, shiny.

The children in upper key stage two have wowed us again this week! They are constantly showing us how incredibly mature, responsible and resilient they are and we are so proud of every one of them. One of our favourite things from this week was our Love To Investigate lesson where we answered the question: Do dock leaves cure a nettle sting? We used universal indicator paper to test the pH of different everyday household substances such as lemon juice, Vinegar and indigestion tablets and then did the same with a solution made from dock leaves and a solution made from nettles. We found out that nettles are acidic, but you will have to ask our amazing year 5/6 scientists whether dock leaves neutralise the sting or whether it is actually a placebo!

Could you also add something about a plead for more small world toys and old pots/pans for the mud kitchen? Something like...

As you know, we are always looking to improve our provision for children at lunch, following the introduction of OPAL play last year. We are planning some more exciting changes to lunches in the coming weeks and so would be very grateful for any donations of no longer needed small world toys (plastic dinosaurs, Cars, animals), dressing up clothes, old books or old (but sturdy) pots and pans. Please bring any donations to the office!



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Key Upcoming Dates for your Diaries

Autumn 2

Thursday 21st November

POP Event—Looking out our recent changes to the Pupils Timetable

Monday 25th November

Parent Meetings

Tuesday 26th November

Parent Meetings

Thursday 28th November

Year 3 & 4 Ukulele concert for parents

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

Reception 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

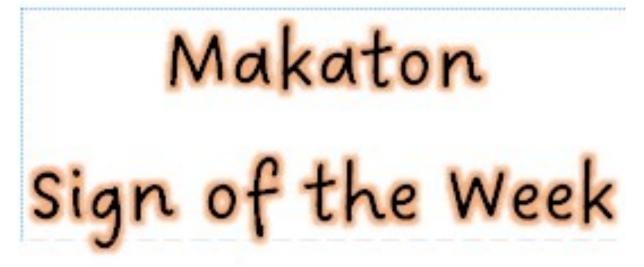
Songs on the Steps

Friday 20th December

Christmas Breakfast

Last school day for Autumn term







Good

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 each year	183 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	days in school	
100%	96%	95%	90%	85%	75%
Good		Some Concern	Worrying	Serious Concern	
-Best chance of su -Gets your child of start -Helps their confid	if to a flying dence, social ell as their ac- idered	-Harder for your child to make progress -School starts tracking	sistent absentee' - Education Welfare	-Having a significant your child's education being -Legal Action may be	on and well-

Friends of Pennoweth

Friends of Pennoweth future events

We appreciate all the continued generous donations from parents/carers and the participation in our school events but in order to keep providing events and fundraising we need more parent/carer support.

Find out how you can help us to continue!

Next term we will be holding an online drop-in and in person drop-in where you can find out what we have planned and how you can be involved.

We will be holding an online meeting on Tuesday 12th November at 7pm which is open to everyone via a link which we will send out on the day.

On Thursday 14th November 8.50am-9.30am & 2.20pm-3pm the PTA chair will be available with tea & biscuits to chat about what we have coming up and ways that you can get involved.

If you cannot attend one of these meetings but would like to find out more, you can email us at pennoweth pta@yahoo.co.uk or drop one of our members a message.

Events we are running and may need help with

Coming up 2024

Adult wreath workshop – Thursday 5th December
Parent Gift Stalls – W/C 9th December
There will be no Christmas Fair this year due to lack of volunteers.

Coming up 2025

Love yourself day & Half Term Disco 13th February Wonka Competition & World Book Day Thursday 6th March Mother's Day sales – W/C 24th March



Being part of Friends of Pennoweth is about getting involved, supporting the school, the children and helping to fundraise. It can take as little time or much time you can spare - even an hour once a year can make a difference.

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.

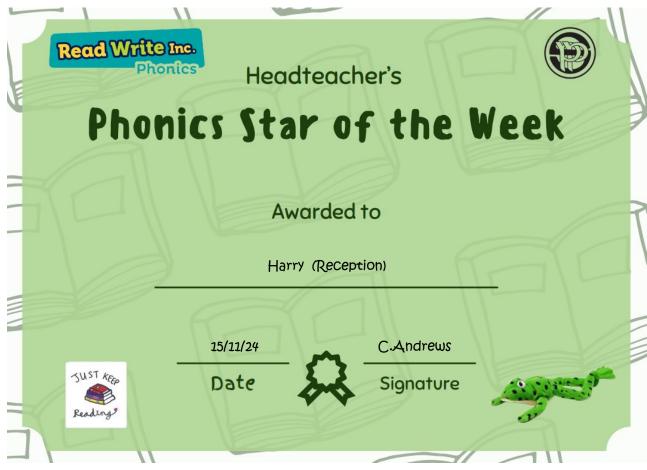
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We feel loved.

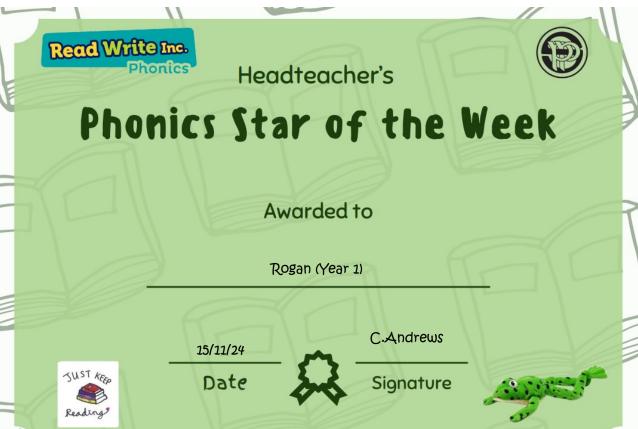
We take responsibility.
We are always learning.
We are ready.

Quality	Year R y1 and Y2	Year 344	Year 546
Safe	Julija (Mevagissey)	Rosen (Lizard)	Emillie (Levant)
Loved	Mira (Restormel) Agnes (Tintagel) Maria (Newlyn)	Poppy R-C (Lizard)	Kiera (Geevor)
Responsible	Harry (Restormel) Harriet (Tintagel) Grayson (Mevagissey)	Albie (Pendeen)	Olivia (Geevor)
Learning	Oliver (Porthcurno)	Lola B (Pendeen)	Wyatt (Poldark)
Ready	Seb (Gwithian)	Ezra (Godrevy)	Isabella (Poldark)

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

Pendennis	Tintagel	
Daily Awards	Reuben	
Restormel	Porthcurno	
Zacharie	Maddison	
Gwithian	Newlyn	
Olivia	Dominic	
Mevagissey	Pendeen	
Cassey	Jil	
Godrevy	Lizard	
Logan	Rubi	
Levant	Geevor	
Isla	A ronas	
Poldark		
Zach		





Diary of Keystage One Gardening Club

Gardening clubs first job today was to check on the plants and water. We also made a special check on the lettuce plants we had planted from last week and made sure they were well watered.

Then we decided that we would all go on our favourite job of litter picking but we were astonished to find they were missing! We decided to be detectives and to look for them around school.

Unfortunately, we couldn't track them down and so rather than waste anymore time we all put on a disposable glove and headed off with buckets to collect the rubbish.

After a very successful litter picking session, we came in and washed our hands before home.

Can you see a difference around school?

One club member went home and explained to their mum what happened.

" Mum, someone's pinched our litter pickers but don't worry, Mrs Mallaber is on a mission and I know what she's like on a mission....she doesn't give up!" lol

Well, rest assured, I have found them ready for next week!



Attendance

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

Overall attendance for this week was

95.77%

See below for the attendance for each class last week.

Pendennis	95.07%
Tintagel	89.6%
Restormel	97.83%
Porthcurno	94.22%
Gwithian	98.4%
Newlyn	97.83%
Mevagissey	94.81%
Pendeen	94.67%
Lizard	96%
Godrevy	95.63%
Levant	97.41%
Geevor	96.28%
Poldark	97%

Congratulations Restormel, Gwithian, Newlyn, Lizard,

Levant, Geevor & Poldark 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.

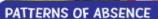
What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

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



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.

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.

LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT

LONG-TERM OUTCOMES

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.

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.

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.

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





National College

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







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WEDNESDAYS
OPEN AT 4.30PM
FOOD SERVED AT 5PM

FREE TEATIME
COMMUNITY
MEALS
ALL WELCOME

A WARM WELCOME, WITH HOT TASTY
FOOD AND GREAT COMPANY!
NO REFERRAL OR VOUCHER NEEDED
ALL DIETS CATERED FOR



Menus for this term:

6th Nov - Bolognese
13th Nov - Curry
20th Nov - Cottage Pie
27th Nov - Burgers
4th Dec - Macaroni Cheese
11th Dec - Lasagne
18th Dec - Christmas Roast















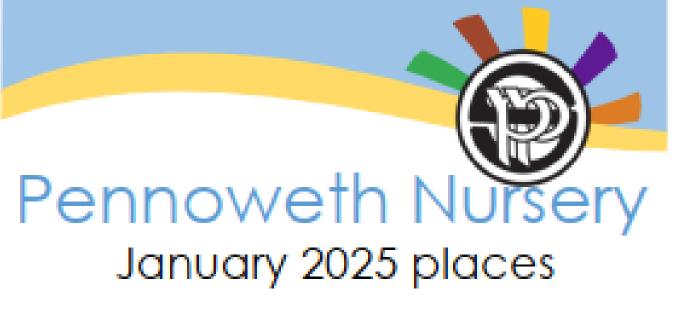






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Do you have a child born between 01-09-21 and 31-12-21?

If so, they will be eligible for 15hours or 30hours free

education here at Pennoweth Nursery.

Admission forms can be obtained form the school office.

For more information or to arrange a visit please contact Miss Booth on 01209215671 or email pennowetheyfs@croftymat.org



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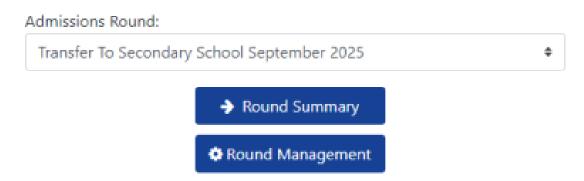




This is a brief guide on how to check daily for year 6 children registered at your school who have made a secondary school transfer application, so that any chasing can be done for non-applicants.

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









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.

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Together ♥
for Families

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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

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 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.