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Friday 10th January 2025

Pennoweth News

Hello and welcome back to the first edition of 2025!

We hope you have had a wholesome break and that you have all been able to Catch up with those people close to you. Before we get stuck into the usual Newsletter content, we have a few announcements and updates that we would like to share with you.

In staffing news, we are delighted to welcome back Mrs Delaney to Pennoweth! Mrs Delaney will be with us, teaching in Lizard Class alongside Mrs Nicholls and supporting in other classes. In other news, Miss Mather-Crane has also moved into the role of Acting Assistant Headteacher on the leadership team alongside her role as Poldark Class teacher.

We have also been busy behind the scenes here in updating and altering our OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) lunchtimes, where we have now opened our outdoor classroom and offering an internal quieter space for pupils who would like to spend time completing puzzles or using different construction materials on projects. Both spaces have been well populated throughout the week and we look forward to sharing some of the new equipment that we have available for the children following the winter break.

Finally, we are looking to build a bank of potential volunteers who could make themselves available for upcoming school trips. Should you be able to volunteer any times or days over the course of a school week, we would love to hear from you. Prior to any planned visit, we would love to contact you and discuss your availability, so please do not feel that this is a signed commitment. This is simply a list that we could work through in the event that we would require volunteers for any trips. If you are able and interested in supporting the school, please could you email into pennowethhelp@croftymat.org with the days that you are able to support.

Without further ado, lets dive into the weekly round up.

<u>Nursery</u>

Our first week back in nursery has been a fantastic start to the new term! The children were full of excitement as they shared their news about the Christmas break, showing wonderful listening and turn-taking skills during group discussions. We are especially proud of how warmly they welcomed the new children on their visits, kindly showing them where the resources are and joyfully including them in their play. Their kindness and enthusiast have made us incredibly proud!

This term, we are exploring a new topic: buildings! The children have been fascinated by the equipment used in the building industry, sparking lots of curiosity. If you work in Construction or a related trade and could spare a few minutes to share insights about your job, we would love to hear from you. Your visit could inspire and enrich their learning in so many ways!

Reception

This week, we have enjoyed some festive writing activities and have been working hard to write lists, letters and Cards. We thought of some great ideas to help Father Christmas deliver his presents when his reindeers got poorly in Drawing Club. We hope the children all have a fantastic break and we look forward to seeing them in the new year.

Keystage One

This week Year 1 have done so well in their first week back after Christmas.. We have started our new topic Rio de Vida' where we have been learning all about Brazil. The children have particularly loved listening to Samba music. They could identify the different instruments in each song and could clap along to the pulse and rhythm of each. Can they tell you what the pulse and rhythm are?

This week year 2 have really impressed us with how well they have returned to school after the holidays. They've wowed us with their super effort in geography and Can tell us all about the equator and how it divides the world into the northern and southern hemisphere. They have begun planning an adventure narrative as part of their writing outcome and have been thinking Carefully about opposites.

Keystage Two

Year 3 4 4 pupils have returned to school well and quickly settled back into their daily routine. They kickstarted their new project, Heroes 4 Villains, with a Love to Investigate science lesson: 'Are all mushrooms deadly?' Children learned about the different parts of a mushroom, including cap, gills, spores, stem, ring and volva. As scientists, pupils then examined different types of mushrooms, making comparisons about their features, appearance and smell. By the end of the lesson, children were able to name examples of edible (chestnut, portobello, oyster and shirtake) and poisonous (Death Cap, Panther Cap and Fly Agaric) mushrooms. Challenge your child – can they name the heroes and villains of the mushroom world? As musicians, classes listened to different songs, discussing and identifying the pitch, dynamics, pupis, rhythm and mood of each piece. They also learned to use their voice in different ways, changing the dynamics throughout. Finally, as writers, pupils created their own comic strip featuring their own herces 4 villains'

In 5/6 this week, we have begun to immerse ourselves in our new class novel 'Howl's Moving Castle' which is proving great inspiration for our current writing genre: fantasy narratives. We are currently creating the characters and settings for our fantasy narratives, thinking about expanded noun phrases and amazing figurative language. Children have created such imaginative and creative characters and settings using beautiful vocabulary: we are incredibly impressed! We finished off the week beginning our new project: Alchemy Island. We explored Alchemy Island during geography, thinking about coordinates and grid references, which was followed by our Love to Investigate science lesson where we worked out how to clean dirty, contaminated water from the Island.

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) School Lunches

Week beginning 13/01/25

(Week 2 Choices from the Autumn/ Winter Term Menu)

Chartwells meal menu is on the school website



Dates for your diary

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

Start of Spring Term (2)

25th February 2025

End of Spring Term (2)

Friday 4th April 2025

Yearly Inset Days

24th February 2025

22nd April 2025

27th June 2025

23rd July 2025

Please view page two of the Newsletter for further term dates. Key Upcoming Dates for your Diaries

<u>Spring 1</u>

Monday 6th January

Staff Inset Day—School closed to Children

<u>Tuesday 7th January</u>

Spring term commences for our children

Friday 24th January

POP event #3—Sticky Bits & Retrieval

28th—29th January

Year 5 & 6 Classes to Tate Gallery St Ives

Thursday 30th January

POP event #4—Total Communication & my child

Thursday 13th February

Love Yourself Day—Non-School uniform day

Valentine's disco

Monday 17th February—Friday 21st February

Half term



Our Makaton Sign of the Week



Friends of Pennoweth

Happy New Year to our amazing community!

We're grateful for all the support for our PTA (Parent Teacher Association) last term, from making-up and purchasing goodies from our stalls, participating in events, and helping out with our fundraising and social events. We raised funds with a successful wreath workshop and other fun activities.

Also, a big thank you to everyone who attended our first online meeting in November and the in-person drop-ins. Your support keeps our group thriving.

Find out how you can help us to continue!

This term we are holding an online drop-in and in person drop-in's where you can find out what we have planned and how you can be involved.

Pop in for a chat and cuppa on Thursday 23rd January 8.50-9.20am & 2.40-3pm members of the PTA will be available

We will be holding another online meeting on Wednesday 29th January at 7.00-7.30pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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

Join Our Meeting Wednesday 29th January 7-7.30pm



https://bit.ly/426mGoV

Link and instructions will also be sent out via marvellous me and facebook the week of.

Events we are running and may need help with

Love yourself day & Half Term Disco 13th February Wonka Competition & World Book Day Friday 7th 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.

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

190	7 days 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	28 days absence 162 days in school If it 85% each year, your child is missing the equivalent of a year of education over their time at pri- mary school	47 days absence 143 days in school	
100%	96%	95%	90%	85%	75%	
Good -Best chance of success -Gets your child off to a flying start -Helps their confidence, social development as well as their ac- ademic progress -Over 97% is considered excellent attendance		r i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i	sistent absentee' - Education Welfare	Serious Concern -Having a significant impact on your child's education and well- being -Legal Action may be taken		

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.

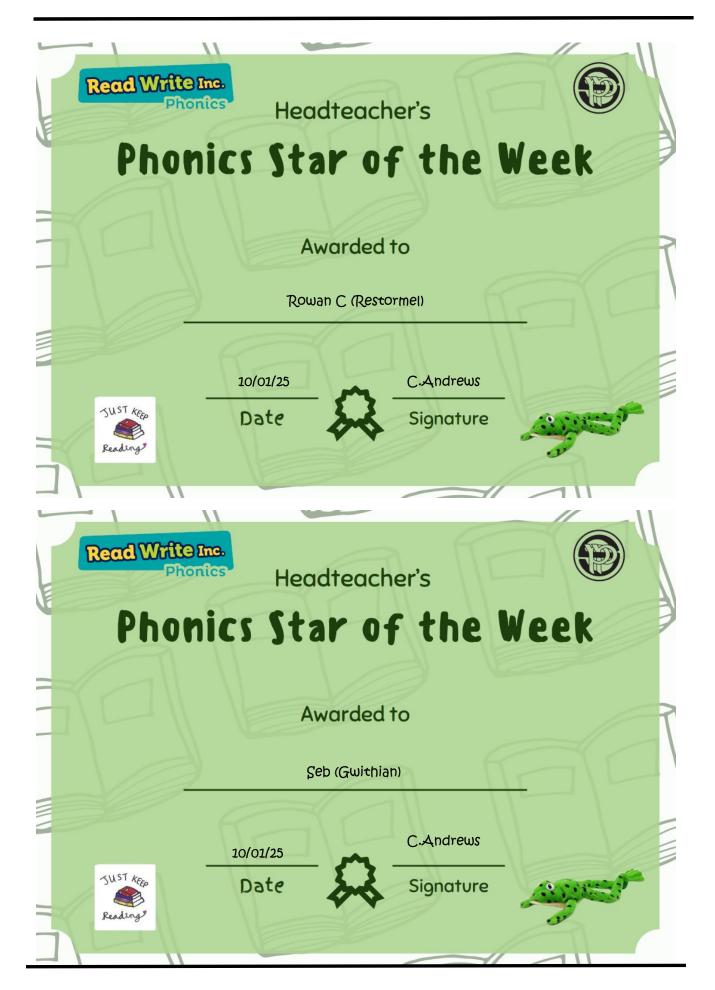
We are ready.

Quality	Year R. y1 and Y2	Year 344	Year 546
Şafe	Maddison (Porthcurno)	Willow (Godrevy)	Eleanor (Levant)
Loved	Olivia (Gwithian)	Harry (Godrevy)	Isaiah (Geevor)
Responsible	Clara (Tintagel) River (Restormel) Riley (Newlyn)	Alec (Lizard)	Joseph (Geevor)
Learning	Arlo (Tintagel) Ryder (Restormel) Jacob (Newlyn)	Chuba (Lizard)	Harry (Poldark)
Ready	Ayla (Mevagissey)	Tom (Pendeen)	Kyson (Levant)

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

Pendennis	Tintagel
Daily Awards	Harriet
Restormel	PorthCurno
Ashanti	Darcey M
Gwithian	Newlyn
Luna	Ηοιιγ
Mevagissey	Pendeen
Georgie	Elden
Godrevy	Lizard
Гуга	Freddie
Levant	Geevor
Mason	Elsie
Poldark	
Hunter	

Reading Stars!



Attendance

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

Overall attendance for this week was

95.25%

See below for the attendance for each class last week.

Pendennis	93.97%	
Tintagel	95.19%	
Restormel	94.02%	
Porthcurno	93.5%	
Gwithian	94%	
Newlyn	100%	
Mevagissey	97.22%	
Pendeen	97.98%	
Lizard	88.74%	
Godrevy	98.44%	
Levant	98.15%	
Geevor	95.8%	
Poldark	90.52%	
Congratulations Tintagel, Mevagissey, Newlyn, Pendeen, Godrevy & Levant 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 Update

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about 317-1113

JusTalk Kids is a child's version of the JusTalk app - a highly popular social networking platform - designed for users up to 13 years of age, allowing them to video call, message and participate in group chats. While adults can link their own JusTalk account to their child's and make use of parental controls, it's important to understand the risks associated with the app.

SUBSCRIPTION FOR PREMIUM ACCESS

WHAT ARE

THE RISKS?

RESISTANCE TO CONTROLS

KNOWING THE PARENT PASSCODE

POTENTIAL DATA LEAKS

CYBERBULLYING

TOO MUCH SCREENTIME

Advice for Parents & Educators

JUSTIFY THE CONTROLS

If parents allow their child to use JusTalk Kids, they should explain that they're putting parental controls in place to make the app safer. Make sure the child know not to put their full name on the account and deean't use a photo of themselves as their profile picture. This type of open discussion will help to ensure that a child is aware of the app's potential risks and knows how to reduce them.

TALK ABOUT ONLINE FRIENDSHIPS

Young children could be excited to use this app. However, highlight that they must do so in a positive, respectful and responsible manner. While it can be easy to get caught up in a group chat, it's important to talk to others politely and call out any unpleasant behaviour. Discuss the importance of ilmitting their contracts to people they know in real life and use parental controls to enforce this.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online s researcher who has developed ar safety policies for schools. She has written various a carried out research for the Australian government compar use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA a

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DOS AND DON'TS OF SHARING

Some children might not understand the potential dangers of oversharing online. I clear guidelines around what is and isn't safe to share on the internet, and discuss the concept of a digital footprint. Children need to understand that the things they say and share online can never be completely ensed. Even if they delete it themselves, it can be saved and distributed by others.

ENCOURAGE OPEN COMMUNICATION

rarents should monitor what their child is sending and receiving, c with them regularly and encourage them to share their feelings (b and negative) at home. Remind them that they can block a contac treation them discusses to the

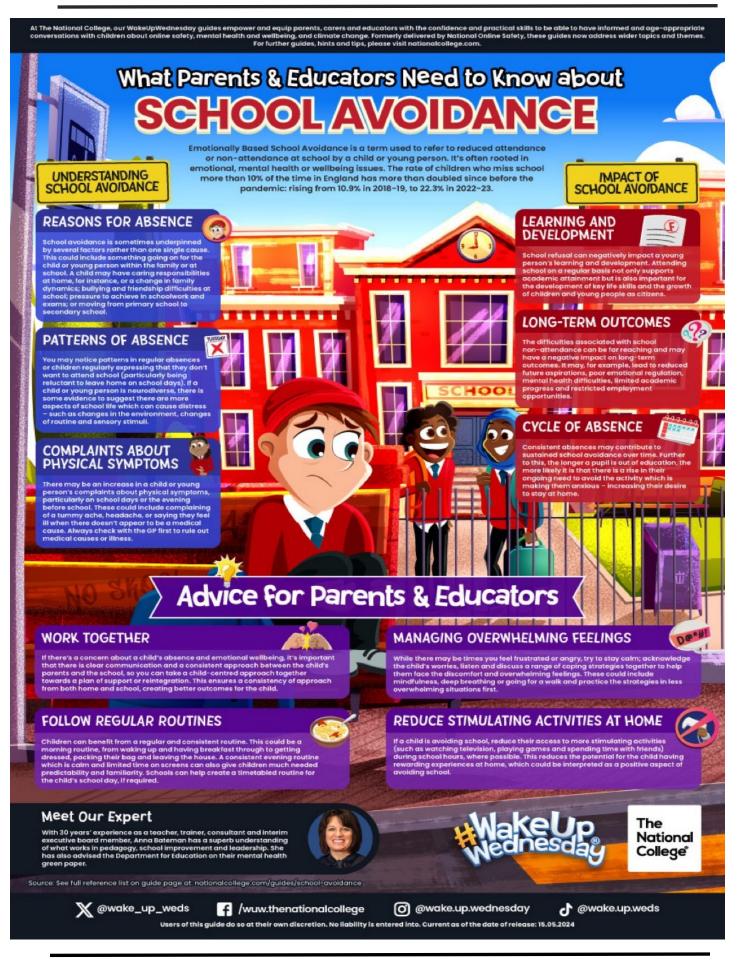




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Attendance Support



Thursday 16th January 2025

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MAINS pick a slice of your favourite

Cheese and Tomato "Big Foot" Veggie Supreme BBQ Chicken Chicken and Sweetcorn

SIDES

Potato Wedges Cucumber and Tomato Salad

DESSERT

Vanilla or Chocolate Ice Cream Menus may be subject to change



SPACE Supporting parents and children emotionally

SPACE is a new **free** programme for **any parent or carer** who wants to better understand and support their children's emotions, as well as their own.

This face-to-face programme will cover:

 Understanding what is meant by a Trauma Informed approach Understanding toxic stress and the flight/fight response Practical approaches to support children to regulate their emotions Healthy coping strategies for dealing with stress 	 Managing different emotions Understanding behaviour Building resilience in ourselves and our children Adopting appropriate expectations of children Enhancing your ability to provide nurturing care
The sessions will be run by Learning mentor, Miss Morsley at Pennoweth Primary School.	Where: Pennoweth Primary School When: Friday mornings 9-11am Dates: 17/01/25, 24/01/25, 31/01/25, 07/02/25, 14/02/25

To register your interest or find out more, please email

rebecca.morsley@croftymat.org



















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:

Admissions Round:



Then please click on the Round Summary button.



Together **V** for Families

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



www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions



Together 🎔 for Families

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

Do you have a child born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021?

If so, you will need to apply

The deadline for applications is **15 January** 2025

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.





www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

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**

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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.

Submit your application by 15 January 2025

Apply online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

) 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.

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