

Pencoys Safeguarding Lead:

Ms Kirk

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Mrs Bonds & Mr Kendall

Chair of Governors- Mrs Caroline Sommerville

No 2

23rd September 2022

Hot meals - Week 2

Dear Parent/ Carers,

In conversations with pupils this week, it has been really interesting to hear their experiences of the bank holiday, and specifically the Queens funeral. Pupils have come back to school refreshed and have continued with their excellent attitude towards their learning.

It was a pleasure to observe the Read, Write Inc phonics programme being delivered to our reception Year 1 and Year 2 children this week. All other year groups have been successfully reading their class texts with their teachers. All children have been engaged in reading sessions and continue to make good progress. It is great to hear that so many children are also reading at home for pleasure, using school Accelerated Reader books. Please can you continue to support your child with reading at home and record the amount of pages read in the Reading Record Book. Where this routine is established, progress of the child's reading in school is clear.

Our newly elected school council have had their first meeting this week, and I eagerly await to hear the items on their agenda. This is in preparation for their meeting with myself to discuss further improving the school. It is very important that our pupils help shape our school, negotiate and communicate their ideas effectively and work well in a team of people. Chairing this meeting will certainly be one of the highlights of my week.

A letter has been sent home this week regarding attendance. As a school, we want pupils to attend regularly, as clearly, this is best for the child's social and academic development. Please feel free to contact the school if you have any questions regarding attendance or if you require further support.

This week I have had the pleasure of meeting members of the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) to plan some of the forthcoming events, which we will be sharing shortly. We are very fortunate to have such a committed PTA, so I would like to take the opportunity to thank them all for their support of Pencoys School. The PTA are always looking for new recruits, so if this is something you might consider, please can you let the office know.

Thank you to those parents and carers that have donated uniform. However, due to the impressive level of donations, we request that these are paused for the time being as we have a surplus. If anyone needs school uniform items, please come and see Miss Wilkes in the office and she will be more than happy to help.

Many thanks for your continued support and in helping to make Pencoys School the best that it can be.

Have a good weekend,

Mrs Bonds
Headteacher

**This week's Attendance Award goes to
Year 5. Well done 97.08%!**

Diamond Award Winners

Each week some children who consistently follow our Diamond Rules are awarded a certificate and a Diamond



This week's winners:

Autumn - Year 3
Isla - Year 1
Charlotte H - Year 1
Kian - Year 1
Alfie V - Year 5

Celebration Certificate

Each week some children from each class are rewarded with a certificate in celebration of their efforts in class.

(F2 will be joining in with these celebrations in October)

Year 1: Timmy, Willow & Seth

Year 2: Hobie and Mason

Year 3: Thomas, Dylan and Lily

Year 4: Zelah and Lucas-Scott

Year 5: Alisha and Summer

Year 6: Ollie M and Blake

Free School Meals

Find out if your child can get free school meals, how to apply, and understand how to get extra funding for your school. Click the link below or collect a form from the school office.

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schoolmeals>

2022/2023 School Dates

7th September - 21st October - First half of Autumn term

31st October - 16th December Second half Autumn term

4th January - 10th February - First half of Spring Term

21st February - 31st March - Second half Spring term

17th April - 26th May - First half Summer term

5th June - 21st July - Second half Summer term

INSET DAYS (NON PUPIL DAYS)

September 2022 - July 2023

Monday 5th September 2022

Tuesday 6th September 2022

Tuesday 3rd January 2023

Monday 20th February 2023

Monday 24th July 2023

Tuesday 25th July 2023

Dates for your Calendar

Friday 14th October - PTA Halloween Costume Sale

Monday 17th October - Individual School Photos

Friday 21st October - Halloween Disco

October half Term - Pumpkin Carving Competition

Monday 14th November - Second hand uniform sale

Friday 2nd December - Christmas Fair

Thursday 8th December - Christingle

Friday 9th December - F2 & Year 1 Nativity

Tuesday 13th December - Christmas performance (Yr2-6)

Wednesday 14th December - Christmas Lunch



In Year 4 the children have been learning about the layers of the tropical rainforests in their Geography lessons.

Gardeners of the week!

This week the children in F2 used the iPads for the first time, they were practising locating the camera and taking a photo. The children went on a hunt around the classroom looking for things that begin with the letter sound 'p'.





School Council

Meet our new School Council who met this week to discuss their responsibilities and how they could make changes around the school.

Halloween Costumes

The PTA are running a Halloween Costume sale on Friday 14th October. We are asking for any donations of Halloween costumes that your child no longer needs or fits into to help raise funds for the school.



Harvest
Festival

Our annual Harvest festival will take place next Friday. The children will be walking to St Andrews Church for a service with Father Peter. If you would like to make any donations of non perishable foods/tins/packages etc. These can be brought into the school office from Monday. All donations will be given to our local food bank.



Year 3 enjoying Samba