

**Pencoys Safeguarding Lead:**

**Ms Kirk**

**Deputy Safeguarding Leads:**

**Mrs Bonds & Mr Kendall**

Chair of Governors- Mrs Caroline Sommerville

No 3

30th September 2022

Hot meals - Week 3

This week, we celebrated European Day of Languages with an assembly. Pencoys School has a broad and rich curriculum, which includes modern foreign languages. The pupils fully recognise the importance of languages and the opportunities they provide. All classes have spent time painting pebbles with European flags, which will be hidden all around the playground to remind us of our place in the world.

We celebrated the Harvest Festival in school this week. We did not let the weather stop us from coming together to show appreciation for all that we have. Father Peter led the service, asking the children to reflect on those less fortunate children around the world. Thank you to all the families that have donated for the Harvest Festival, we truly appreciate your kindness which once again highlights what a caring community we live in.

I have enjoyed spending time in year 1 this week and working with children creating their version of the Three Little Pigs. I was impressed with progress in their books, showing good use of the story structure and phonics which help spell words. I also had the pleasure of reading a year 4 suspense story created by Mia which was engaging and very vivid!

We were delighted this week to hear confirmation that we have achieved the prestigious Primary Science Quality Mark, led by University of Hertfordshire and the Primary Science Teaching Trust. Primary Science Quality Marks are awarded to infant, junior, primary schools to celebrate their commitment to excellence in science teaching and learning. So far, since its national launch in 2010, over 5000 schools across the UK have achieved the award. Through achieving the award, science will be developed further in the way it is planned and taught across the whole school.

Associate Professor Jane Turner, PSQM National Director said of Pencoys School

***"....Primary schools have an important role to ensure that children understand how science works and keeps us and our planet healthy and safe. Schools that have achieved a Primary Science Quality Mark have demonstrated a significant commitment to science teaching and learning. The profile and quality of science in each awarded school is very high. Children are engaging with great science both in and outside the classroom, developing positive attitudes towards science as well as secure scientific understanding and skills. Science subject leaders, their colleagues, head teachers, children, parents and governors should be very proud."***

As Headteacher, I am very proud of this award. I would like to thank Miss Antoniazzi for all her hard work in developing Science across the school and for gaining national recognition.

It was a pleasure to meet our Community Support Officers this morning. They have been taking time to introduce themselves to all the schools in the area, to build good working relationships within the local community. They are keen to support us in whatever we might need, including leading assemblies and workshops.

We are reviewing the extra-curricular club programme, where clubs will continue, and we hope to offer some additional activities. More information will be available in the coming weeks.

Stay safe and have a great weekend,

**Mrs Bonds**

**Headteacher**

## 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:

**Jenson S** - Having great imagination & writing fantastic sentences  
**Charlie** - Using fantastic descriptive language in story writing

### Year 2:

**Frida** - Working hard to improve pace of writing & completing a super story.  
**Freddie** - Being motivated & showing super resilience to complete all his work.

### Year 3:

**Jayden** - Trying exceptionally hard with his writing  
**Demi** - Consistently trying her best in all aspects of her learning

### Year 4:

**Connor** - Great progress spelling common exception words.  
**Ray** - Enthusiasm in all his learning & making great links in RE

### Year 5:

**William** - Fantastic effort in today's music lesson, playing with rhythm accompanying a melody  
**Jowan** - Fantastic effort in today's music lesson, playing with rhythm accompanying a melody

### Year 6:

**Emily** - Excellent use of fabrics in Art. Layering and overlapping them to create new colours and textures.  
**Ashley** - Incredibly responsive learning and great progress during swimming even in just a 30 minute lesson.

### 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

## Diamond Award Winners

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



### This week's winners:

Iris - Year 2  
Daisy - Year 2  
Mason- Year 2  
Aida - Year 2  
Mia - Yea 2  
Melody - Year 3  
Iylah P - Year 1  
Henry - Year 1

**This week's Attendance Award goes to  
Year 3. Well done 98.97%**

This week's class attendance percentage table		Our Attendance Target  <b>96%</b>
F2	98%	
Year 1	92.50%	
Year 2	95%	
Year 3	98.97%	
Year 4	98.21%	
Year 5	93.67%	
Year 6	96.25%	

## 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>





**Pencoys Harvest of Vegetables**



Please be considerate to our local residents when dropping off and collecting your children. Some parents are blocking local driveways which is causing a lot of upset and the school has received complaints.

**If parking is an issue please use the parent overflow carpark in Kemp Close.**

### **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.



Thank you for all the donations of food items for our Harvest festival.

### **Fish and Chips**

As there is still an ongoing issue with our Fish supply, it will be Pizza and chips on the menu on Fridays until further notice.

The  
deadline for  
applications is  
**31 October  
2022**

# Transfer to secondary school

## September 2023

Applying for a place in year seven at a secondary school

### Information and guidance

Website and application form: [www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions)

Email: [schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk)

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

Telephone: **0300 1234 101**

### Need help with your application?

Contact the Family Information Service on **0800 587 8191**







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# Do you have a child born **between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019?**

If so, you will need to apply for a place in a reception class in September 2023 for that child by the deadline of **15 January 2023**.

**Please note:** you will need to apply even if your child attends a school's nursery or pre-school 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](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions) for more information and to access the online application system

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