

Pencoys Safeguarding Lead:

Ms Kirk

Deputy Safeguarding Leads:

Mrs Bonds & Mr Kendall

No 4

7th October 2022

Hot meals - Week 1

Chair of Governors- Mrs Caroline Sommerville

Dear Parent/ Carer

We have had another excellent week of learning, and I have plenty of highlights to share. I was delighted to receive some beautiful montbretia flowers from the gardening club, hand-delivered by Jenson and Charlie. They took great pride in explaining what they had been doing and sharing the fruits of their hard- work. The flowers have brightened up my office with a vivid splash of red, so thank-you to all our super gardeners! Given the imminent change in weather, gardening club will be changing next half term, to science club.

This week we welcomed Mrs Glover, from Bev-Lyn School of Dance, to work with the year 4's. They took part in workshops where they learnt; Dance routines linked to Africa, boxing, Japan and Disco. All the dances taught are choreographed by world famous ballerina Darcey Bussell. I was extremely proud of how enthusiastic, engaged, and receptive our pupils were. They also displayed great musicality, co-ordination, and energy through dance. The warm- up alone left everyone with red faces, so thank you to Mrs Glover for a great session!

As a school, we have celebrated National Poetry Day with an assembly, and learning a range of poems in class. Pupils have been asked to share their favourite poems with their classmates, or to have a go at writing their own. This half term, our school focus is Geography, so we have chosen 'the environment' as the theme linked to poems. With lots of budding poets across the school, they have all been motivated to write poetry and excited to share their finished outcomes.

Parent Consultations will be held on Wednesday 19th October, between 1-6pm. We hope that parents can come and meet their child's teacher face to face. If you are unable to make this date, or unable to choose a convenient time slot, please let the class teacher know through class dojo. An alternative more convenient time can be arranged for you. In the consultations, teachers will be discussing your child's learning, identifying where they have made progress and any areas they need to further develop. Teachers will also be discussing how you can support your child at home, to further maximise their progress. You will have an opportunity for a follow up Parent Consultation in the Spring term, along with a final written report towards the end of the summer term.

In our celebration assembly today, a special award was given out. We are very proud to be able to recognise and celebrate Mrs Johns 25 years' service to education. Our Crofty MAT Chief Executive (Simon Hague) and Director of Education (Tamsin Lamb) presented this award in front of the whole school. Mrs Johns has taught many children over the years, who have benefited from her excellent teaching and caring support. We thank her for all she has done, and continues to do, for the children of Pencoys.

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:

Indigo - for writing a great sentence using the sounds that she knew

Tilly - for making outstanding learning choices in all areas

Year 1:

Wynter - great resilience when learning about 'greater than' and 'less than'

Ollie - Learning to Fred Talk on his fingers and using for spellings

Year 2:

Mia T for being and brave and showing super resilience to settle into her new class.

Bertie for having a positive attitude to all his learning and being resilient in maths and writing when faced with challenges

Year 3:

Priya - for being very independent in her learning and supporting her friends

Amelia - for working very hard on her story writing

Year 4:

Rosie - super listening and effort in our dance lessons

Oliver - well thought through answers in our guided reading sessions

Year 5:

Jack - producing a wonderful story using great vocabulary and imagination

Alanah - Taking care and pride in everything she does

Year 6:

Amber - Awesome responsive and resilient learning when tackling some challenging 4 x 2 digit multiplication questions

Ella M - Brilliant scientific reasoning when hypothesising where micro-organisms will grow best

This week's Diamond Award winners:



Imogen - Year 4

Holly F - Year 3

Nina - F2

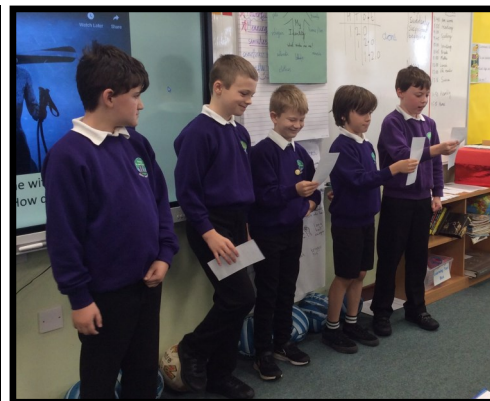
Naomi - Year 2

Alice - Year 2



Year 5 enjoyed performing the poem, The Dreadful Menace this week. They used excellent expression and actions. The children also enjoyed evaluation the poem, picking out the rhyme, similes and metaphors.

As part of their science unit, Year 5 had green fingers cloning plants this week! They were learning about reproduction in plants and planted clones from spider plants and creeper plants. They will now take good care of their own plant at home - they look forward to seeing how they grow over the year.



This week's Attendance Award goes to Year 6. Well done 98.40%

This week's class attendance percentage table

F2	97.33%	<p>Our Attendance Target</p> <p>96%</p> <p>Whole School Attendance</p> <p>96.3%</p>
Year 1	96.25%	
Year 2	97.74%	
Year 3	94.83%	
Year 4	93.45%	
Year 5	94.33%	
Year 6	98.40%	

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>

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.



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

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

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

**Friday
21st October 2022**

F2 & KS1 3:30-4:15

KS2 4:30-5:15

£1.50

**Includes a drink and
a packet of crisps**

**Glowsticks
50p**

**Halloween
Disco**

PTA

**PUMPKIN
CARVING**

Contest



Take a photo of your pumpkin carving (together with name slip) over half term and submit it on Class Dojo. If you'd like to enter the competition, bring in 50p to the office on the 31st October to take part.

The best entry in F2/KS1 and KS2 will win a prize!



Christmas Fair

If you would like a stall at our Christmas Fair on Friday 2nd December. Please see Miss Wilkes in the office. We ask for a donation of £5 per stall.

