



Pencoys Post

Friday 13th January 2023

Be your Best : Grow Together



Dear Parent/ Carer

Message from : Mrs Bonds

It was great to get into classes this week and see evidence of the children pushing themselves to be their best. In their writing lessons I saw pupils working together to help each other improve and searching for the best way to communicate their ideas effectively. This was all done with kindness and respect for each other. As part of reviewing our Personal, Social, Health and Economic curriculum, Mrs Thomas and I spoke to children about how we keep each other safe at school, how they can make a difference and jobs we might like to do when we are older. You may find it interesting to talk to your children about their ideas of what they would like to be in the future. *Well done everybody! Have a good weekend.*

Sports Corner



Year 4 are attending swimming lessons this half term. They have made a great start. Each half term, we have a different class taking part in swimming lessons throughout the year.



**This week's Attendance Award goes to :
Reception . Well done 99.33%**



Class	Attendance
Reception	99.33%
Year 1	98.33%
Year 2	95.16%
Year 3	95%
Year 4	97.59%
Year 5	95.86%
Year 6	98%



**Whole School
Target
96%**

**Whole School
Attendance :
96.26%**

Focus for the Week: New Beginnings

We established that snowdrops come out very early in the New Year and are a sign that spring is coming. Children named other flowers such as: daffodils, hyacinths, crocuses, bluebells and primroses and encouraged to watch out for these flowers in the days to come. It's still winter, but once we see the first snowdrops, it's a sign spring is on the way. We watched a story about a snow drop and reflected on the message of how brave it is as it 'doesn't let the North Wind scare or bully her ;she stands up for herself' and is true to herself'



Finally, looking ahead to the New Year, the children considered: 'What good things they want to do with their lives? ' At this time of year people make resolutions, promises to themselves about the good things they want to do. Like the Snowdrop, decide in your head on one good thing that you would like to do this year.'

Notices

Hot lunches - Week 3

Team EYFS

This week in Pre-School we have been learning about Incy Wincey Spider. We learnt the song and sequenced it, made our own spider puppets, and made wonderful webs! We have learnt that spiders like to eat flies and that spiders like to be collectors. We collected different objects in the classroom, and we even went on our own minibeast hunt! We were excited to find snails and slugs! We have also been exploring the weather and the rain was pouring down this week, which made singing Incy Wincey Spider even more fun! Our sound of the week was (m) and we have been practicing our counting with the Magic Maths Bag.

What a great week we have had!



Team 1 & 2

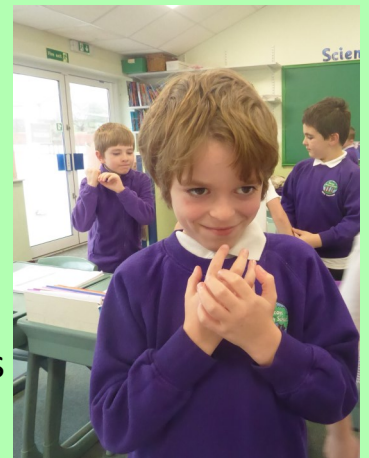
In year 2 this week, the children learnt about England as one of the four countries in the United Kingdom. We learnt that Scafell Pike is the tallest mountain and Lake Windermere is the largest lake in England. We also learnt about London as the capital city. We sent a Beebot around a huge floor map to locate these places. Lots of the children thought it would be great to stay in the lighthouse at Bishop's Rock and watch the waves crash up against the windows!



Team 3 & 4



In year 4 we have started our new 'Talk for writing' block. Our new story is a character flaw story all about a greedy alchemist. We have had fun having a gold hunt for our hook lesson and using freeze frames to explore the character.



Year 6

This week, Year 6 have been taking part in the Mini Police Programme with Police Officers Toby and Phil. The whole class have learnt a lot from the Police Officers. This included what is important to them in their community, the different roles police officers have, what is antisocial behaviour, being safe online with technology. The class even had the chance to try on some of the uniforms from different roles within the police force. In their final session, the children presented posters to the officers Phil and Toby. These were designed for the local community. To end the Mini Police Programme, the police officers awarded each child with a certificate and a 'Mini Police' cap.

Team 5 & 6



Congratulations to the following pupils who achieved 'Celebration Certificates'

Class	Name	Reason for certificate
Reception	Vinnie	For his excellent effort in phonics in a new group.
	George	For being kind to his friends.
Year 1	Jenson S	For being responsive in class discussions about materials and coming up with some great ideas.
	Iylah P	For showing resilience and resourceful in maths and making amazing progress.
Year 2	Dominic	for learning our class story and confidently performing it with actions.
	Lewie	for using a beautiful joined handwriting style in all his writing.
Year 3	Oliver	For working really hard on his times tables.
	Holly F	For making brilliant contributions in writing lessons.
Year 4	Mason	Amazing progress in swimming showing great determination!
	Rupert	Overcoming his fears and doing excellent swimming.
Year 5	Maisie	Great expression when reading and always contributing in class.
	Jowan	Great focus and resilience. Fantastic writing this week in particular!
Year 6	Emily	For excellent participation, giving great answers and asking incredible questions during the Mini Police Programme.
	Mylor	For being proactive, thoughtful and kind when organising a thank you present for the Police Officers.

Congratulations to the following pupils who achieved 'Diamond Awards'



Theo Duffield - Year 2; Oscar—Year 3



Rosie, Dixie and William—Year 4 ; Anya—Year 5

Clubs:

Monday: Multi-sports KS1

Maths Whizz KS2

Tuesday: Basketball

Wednesday: Football

Thursday: Dodgeball

We have had a great first week of clubs, as well as the boost groups happening in some year groups.

Maths Whizz Champions

Whizz of the Week

Daisy H

Class Whizz of the Week

Year 5

Maths Whizz of the Week

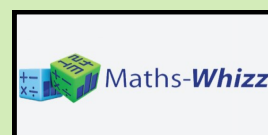
Y2 - Daisy

Y3 – Oliver

Y4 – Connor & William

Y5 – Daniel & William

Y6 - Kaitlin





Chair

of Governors: Caroline Sommerville

Hi, my name is Caroline Sommerville, and I joined the board of Governors in 2019. I live locally in Carnkie and my son is in Year 4 at Pencoys.

In my working life, I am the Operations Director of a homecare company based in Truro and I have worked in the health and social care sector for over 20 years.

I like meeting new people and helping them get the most out of life. I work hard to ensure that I always provide the best service possible.

I am actively involved in our local community; I am the Chair of Carnkie Village Hall and my husband and I run a social club in Portreath for adults with learning disabilities. I am also the trustee of a charity that supports learning and development for health and social care within Cornwall.

Spending quality time with my family is important and we love to travel so I'm always looking at where we can go next, the list just keeps getting longer!

I am committed to doing my best for Pencoys and am looking forward to the challenges that the new school year brings.



Diary Dates

Additions in red

PTA Art competition entries in by 20th Jan

Half term 13th February—17th February

Easter Holidays 3rd April- 14th April

8th May—Bank Holiday

Year 6 SAT's Week- WB: 8th May

Parent Consultations:

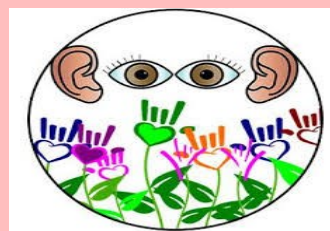
Wednesday 29th March 1-6pm

20th February INSET

Half term 29th May—2 June

Last Day of term Friday 21st July 1:30 finish.

What does a Governor do?



Governors have an important role as the 'eyes and ears' ensuring that pupils get the best possible school experience and ensuring a strong community involvement within the school



The Mini Police Programme gives children the opportunity to get a feel for what it's like to be a police officer and aims to increase trust, confidence and provide safety messages and preventative education that will stay with them for life. The Police officers, Toby and Phil, worked alongside the children for three afternoons- tackling issues such as anti-social behaviour within the community, bullying and online safety. They are returning next week for three more afternoons and I know Year 6 are all looking forward to exploring more ways to support our community.



PTA are holding a 'Chinese New Year' art competition.

Entries can be created out of any medium, all entries are 50p and need to be handed into the office by Friday 20th January. Good Luck!

