



# Pencoys Post

*Friday 16th December 2022*

*Be your Best : Grow Together*



Dear Parent/ Carer

*Message from : Mrs Bonds*

What an amazing end to a fantastic year! The children have made an excellent start to this academic year and shown me what they are truly capable of. I would also like to acknowledge the hard work of all the staff this term .Despite all the challenges that life throws up the Pencoys team seem to always rise above and get the job done with care, compassion and professionalism. Thank you to you the parents that have supported the school thus far with the demands of homework, donations attendance, patience and friendly smiles.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy 2023!




*On Friday we wished Mrs Pascoe a Happy Retirement . After 19 years at Pencoys she has finally decided to hang up her whistle and ride off into the sunset. Mrs Pascoe is a well loved member of staff and we will miss her greatly.*



*This week's Attendance Award goes to :  
Year 6 . Well done 97.20%*



Class	Attendance
Reception	88.67%
Year 1	93.33%
Year 2	93.87%
Year 3	90.69%
Year 4	95.86%
Year 5	91.67%
Year 6	97.20%

  
**Whole School Target**  
96%

**Whole School Attendance :**  
**90.36%**

### Focus for the Week: Advent

Our focus this week has been again on Advent . Advent is the period of four Sundays and weeks before Christmas (or sometimes from the 1st December to Christmas Day!). Advent means 'Coming' in Latin. This is the coming of Jesus into the world. Christians use the four Sundays and weeks of Advent to prepare and remember the real meaning of Christmas.



### Notices

*Next Week's Hot Lunch: week 1*

*Mr Hoswell will be returning to Nursery in the New Year.*

3rd January INSET DAY

4th January - First day of Spring Term

# Christmas Performances

**Well done to all the pupils that performed in our Christmas performances.**

## Team EYFS

This week in Reception the children have worked hard on their Christmas crafts and cards and have shown great imagination and creativity. We were very proud of their writing this week in their Christmas cards and their independent list writing.

In year 2

What a busy couple of weeks we have had! Two trips, two carol concerts, two late starts and through it all the children have carried on with smiles on their faces and a spring in their step! Our learning about explorers from the past and led us to discover that they were not always as honest or heroic as they might at first seem! Ask them about Sir Francis Drake and his explorations for Elizabeth I.

## Team 1 & 2



## Team 3 & 4

In year 4 we have been busy with our Design and Technology this week. We used what we have learnt about stitches, fabrics and templates to help us design and make our own Maya bags. We tested if they were strong enough to hold maize and we made sure they had a pocket for cocoa



Year 6 Year Six have had a fantastic last week before Christmas. As well as completing their final learning on their history block of The Battle of Britain and WW2 they have finished reading Boy in the Striped Pajamas. The class have loved learning about the Second World War and have been very thoughtful and reflective about the horror of war.

After all the hard learning and brilliant behaviour this term, Year Six have had some very well deserved treats in the latter part of the week. They have had a mini-disco, Christmas Bingo (with prizes very kindly provided by the PTA) and a Colour-Brain quiz. Even more on the final day, they had a movie morning complete with deluxe hot chocolate, cookies and popcorn!

## Team 5 & 6



## Congratulations to the following pupils who achieved 'Celebration Certificates'

Class	Name	Reason for certificate
Reception	Lucas	For working hard on his writing this half term and making great progress.
	Harry	For making excellent learning choices all week and trying new challenges.
Year 1	Alfie	For his improved handwriting.
	Viktor	For participating in class activities.
Year 2	Everyone!	being such stars in our carol service! A huge well done to all of you, year 2.
Year 3	Archie	For being a good role model to KS1.
	Dylan	For being kind and helping his peers.
Year 4	Connor	Super independent writing.
	Jay	Excellent vocabulary choices in his writing
Year 5	Michael	Amazing resourcefulness and resilience coming back in after being poorly and catching up on all work missed.
	Joey	Fantastic effort in DT and great improvement in concentrating in class
Year 6	Oliver	For excellent research into the events and effects of WW2 in Cornwall.
	Zach	For an awesome attitude to learning this half term. Always learning resiliently and with great effort.

## Congratulations to the following pupils who achieved 'Diamond Awards'



Theo Duffield - Year 2



Ray Hatherly - Year 4 , Oliver Harris—Year 4

### Hot Readers

Year 2: Roux, Alfie, Theo, Iris, Bertie, Daisy, Alice, Aida, Aria, Gracie-Mae, Dominic, Hobie, Jowan, Taylor

Year 3: George, Ellouise, Mylor, Melody, Holly, Ryley, Hollie-Rose, Dylan, Lucy, Archie, Oliver, Daisy, Demi

Year 4: William, Charlie, Elise, Harriet, Summer, Ray, Oliver, Zelah, Lucas-Scott, Gregory, Joseph

Year 5: Daniel, Willow, Summer, William, Charlie, Mia, Anya, Alanah, Maisie

Year 6: Roxy, Tilly, Mylor, Kierra, Abbie

### Whizz of the Week

*Maths Whizz Champions*

### Whizz of the Week

William P

### Class Whizz of the Week

Year 4

### Maths Whizz of the Week

Y2 - Aida and Amelia

Y3 – Fian

Y4 – William S

Y5 – William P

Y6 - Tilly

