



Pencoys Post

Monday 12th December 2022

Be your Best : Grow Together



Dear Parent/ Carer

Message from : Mrs Bonds

"It 's beginning to feel a lot like Christmas." Its always so exciting and nostalgic to watch a school nativity and this year was no exception. A big thank you to all the Early Years and Year 1 staff and children for putting on such an inspiring performance. You are all stars!

I was also fortunate to join the Year 6 and Year 2 pupils on the visit to the local church for a special Christingle service led by Father Peter. They reflected advent; the events leading up to the Christmas day and Christmas around the world. The pupils were all so engaged and well-behaved. Such a credit to the school!

Have a great weekend!

Sports Corner



Gymnastics Competition
Pupils from across the school represented Pencoys in a Crofty gymnastics competition on Friday. The children tried very hard and we are very proud of them for their effort!



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



Class	Attendance
Reception	91.77%
Year 1	93.95%
Year 2	95.14%
Year 3	94.29%
Year 4	95.09%
Year 5	94.62%
Year 6	96.41%



*Whole School
Target
96%*

*Whole School
Attendance :
94.02%*

Focus for the Week: The Christmas Truce 1914

Our focus for this week was on the powerful Christmas message of peace and good will towards all people. We reflected on a photograph taken from the trenches in WW1, on Christmas day 1914, during the middle of a terrible war. We discussed how the soldiers were feeling and the remarkable effects of the classic song Silent Night. How despite the British troops fighting, how much they had in common with the men they were fighting and that people on the two sides of the front line were not so different..We learnt can learn from the Christmas Truce that the Christmas story is so powerful it can stop a war in its tracks - even if only briefly - and that the things that unite us as human beings are stronger than the things which divide us. We were reminded to help treat others with kindness and respect, to share with them and to never forget that we are all human.



Notices

This Week's Hot Lunch: week 1

Reminder: Please remember to bring in an orange, if you can, on 14 December for our Christingle service

School closes at 1:30 pm on Friday 16th December



Year 1 and Reception did an amazing job performing their Nativity Play to both the whole school and parents last week. The children sang beautifully and spoke their lines with great gusto. Considering this would have been the first time on stage for the children, their nerves did not show!



Last week Year 3 visited Truro Museum and Cathedral. The children explored artefacts from Ancient Egypt and even saw a real Mummy!



They took part in a workshop where they learnt all the processes of preparing a body for mummification. In the Cathedral the children wrote messages for loved ones on stars to hang on the Christmas Tree. The children were

fantastic ambassadors for the school and a member of staff at the cathedral said "Their visit had made his day!"



Year 5 have been busy again this week. In maths, we are continuing to learn about fractions. We have been writing biographies in English, learning all about the lives of some famous people. The children are enjoying practicing their carol service songs and are excited about singing them for you next week. In science and PSHE, year 5 have had some lessons on the physical and emotional changes humans go through as they grow into adults. Little fingers have been busy sewing individually designed bags in DT, hopefully these will be finished in time for Christmas.



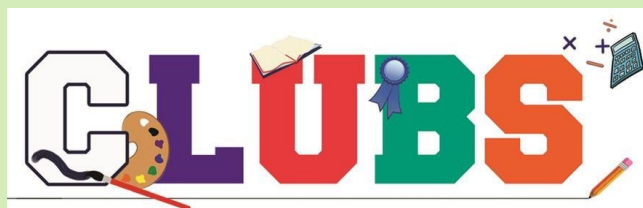
Finally, we have had our last swimming lesson where the children have had a 'whale' of a time.

Congratulations to the following pupils who achieved 'Celebration Certificates'

Class	Name	Reason for certificate
Reception	Whole class	For a fantastic effort in their nativity play. All children were amazing and made us all proud.
Year 1	Charlotte H Kian	For showing resilience in maths and solving subtraction questions using a number line. For showing resilience in maths and working out subtraction answers using cubes.
Year 2	Ava Henry	For being responsive in maths and sharing her understanding clearly with her peers. For showing great focus and producing a super piece of independent story writing.
Year 3	Whole Class	For their amazing behavior and participation on the trip to Truro Museum.
Year 4	Dixie Zelah	For great answers in guided reading. For determination in maths both in class and on Maths Whizz at home.
Year 5	Liam Alfie	For being really responsive recently improving his handwriting and presentation. For putting in the extra effort with his home reading and spellings enabling him to progress in both.
Year 6	Mylor Grace	For designing and creating a fantastic website about WW2 planes. For resiliently problem solving whilst coding a Crumble in D&T.

Congratulations to the following pupils who achieved 'Diamond Awards'

Theo Duffield - Year 2



After School Clubs

We have had great participation in after school clubs this term.

Clubs will start again in the New Year, we will let you know what the new clubs will be as soon as these are arranged.

Maths Whizz Champions

Whizz of the Week

Daisy H

Class Whizz of the Week

Year 5

Maths Whizz of the Week

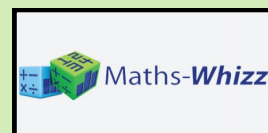
Y2 - Daisy

Y3 – Oliver

Y4 – Connor & William

Y5 – Daniel & William

Y6 - Kaitlin





Years 6 and 2 walked to St Andrews Church on Thursday. As part of their RE lessons, the children took part in a Christingle service lead by Father Peter.



Diary Dates

Additions in red

13th December - Yr2-6 Christmas

Raffle available - £1 a strip

Performance **9:30am** & 1.30pm

14th December - Christmas Lunch/
Christmas jumpers/ Christmas parties

16th December - School closes at 1.30pm for
Christmas holidays

3rd January - INSET DAY

4th January - First day of Spring Term

Christmas Jumper Day



***This Wednesday is
School Christmas Lunch
and Christmas Jumper Day!***

***Some classes are also having parties,
playing games or doing fun activities.***

***(Look out on Class Dojo for more
information on each class)***

***Children may come to school in their
Christmas Jumpers/outfits.***



***Year 2– year 6 (Tuesday 13th December-
9:30am and 1:30pm)***

***Tickets are available from the school
office from Tuesday 29th November.***

More tickets available from the office.

Secret Santa



We have started our Secret Santa.

If you have any more donations of gifts or paper,
please could these be handed in to the office.

We are going to stagger the days for different classes.

Monday - F2 & Year 1

Tuesday - Years 2 & 3

Wednesday - Years 4 & 5

Thursday - Year 6

(Gifts will be distributed fairly)

On their day, children can bring in £1 for one gift.