



## Dear Parents, Carers and Families,

Despite all the horrible sickness bugs experienced by both children and adults this week I am really pleased to see our attendance upto **93.2%** 😊 95.1% is the national average, so we are getting closer all the time. Well done everyone and thank you!

**Our Key Stage 2 pupils have had an adventurous week.** Sennen class enjoyed riding the waves at Gwithian on their Surf Day on Monday with Porthcurno Class having their turn on Tuesday. In assembly today there was a resounding YES! Thumbs Up and Awesome! when the children were asked if they had enjoyed this fantastic experience. Our **weekly forest school** sessions in school are also going really well with the children enjoying learning new skills and working together in a team.

You may have noticed that we have cleared a lot of the **EYFS playground** over the last couple of weeks – we are looking forward to refurbishing this area and have some great plans which hopefully we will be able to share with you soon. Also, **Gwenver parents**, just a quick reminder that there is an open invitation for you all to attend the **Read, Write Inc Phonics meeting on Friday 2.30p.m** to give you advice on supporting your child with early reading. All those that attend will receive resources to take home and share with their child 😊

We have been impressed that through the teaching about **online safety** in school children are now good at telling us what to look out for in order to keep safe and how to behave online. However, Teachers have noticed that some of our older children are having lively conversations about the online games they are playing for example; Call of Duty and Grand Theft Auto. We just want to bring this to the attention of our parents so that you can ensure you are monitoring what your children are accessing on Play Stations, X Box, online etc as these games are not age appropriate due to their adult content and in some cases have age restrictions of 18+

The **new menus for autumn term will be out soon** and there is more emphasis on hot meals now that the weather is turning. So just to let you know that sandwiches will not be an option.

Today is **National Teaching Assistants Day!** I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our wonderful Teaching Assistants and Support Staff for their commitment, hard work and never-ending encouragement to the children of Pensans School – we couldn't do it without you!

Have a great weekend all.


**Mrs Ambrose - Headteacher**

# Stars of the Week

Gwenver Class	Cyrus for caring for everyone and everything
Godrevy Class	Lottie Palmer for following instructions with thought and care
Gwithian Class	Alfie for following instructions with thought and care
Porthcurno Class	Aiva Palmer for caring for everyone and everything
Sennen Class	Lillie for caring for everyone and everything

# Class Stars of the Week

Cape	Alfie for showing kindness to his friends
Gwenver	Isla for beautiful blending in phonics
Godrevy	Elsie for her exceptional learning attitude and kindness towards her peers.
Gwithian	Phoebe for her super reasoning and understanding when comparing numbers in Maths.
Porthcurno	Edi-May for being so helpful and thoughtful all week You have been a brilliant role model. Well done!
Sennen	Mia for really throwing herself into surfing and body surfing

 <p>Attendance Matters</p>	Our school target for attendance is 97%	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> September – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> September 2023
	1st Place Gwenver	96.84 %
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Sennen	94.29 %
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Godrevy	92.63 %

## Special Headteacher Award

*This week I would like to say thank you to each and every one of the Teaching Assistants at Pensans on National Teaching Assistants Day. I would like to thank you all for all the work do with our children and families on a daily basis to support the path to lifelong learning. I see your diligence, commitment, and impact as the children grow, develop skills, gain knowledge and are **FUTURE READY** in an ever-changing world. Team Pensans wouldn't be the same without you*

## TEAM PENSANS CARES



Recognising the valuable contribution Teaching Assistants make to the education and support of school children across England and Wales.






**Smartest Cloakroom goes to Gwenver Class this week and tidiest Classroom goes to Godrevy Class. Thank you for respecting where you learn and your belongings.**



**If your child would like breakfast in school, they can arrive at the office at 8.15am where breakfast will be served in the hall. Breakfast will only be served until 8.30am as we need to pack away and get ready for learning to begin.**

**For working parents, Breakfast Club will run as normal from 8am. This time is only for children who normally come. All others need to arrive at 8.15am. For all other children the classroom doors will open as usual at**

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**  
**Year 6 Transition Days:**  
 Cape Cornwall: Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October. Need to be in school by **8:30am at the latest.**  
 Mounts Bay: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. Need to be in school for **8:15am at the latest.**  
 Humphry Davy: Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October. Time of arrival to be confirmed.  
**Gwenver Reception Class:** Read Write Inc. Phonics Parent/Carers Meeting: Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 2:30pm



**The safeguarding of our children and school community is intrinsic and integral to all that we do at Pensans. In the everchanging online world that we all live in, Online Safety is and will continue to be kept high profile within the tapestry of our everyday learning and teaching at Pensans.**

**THIS WEEK'S FOCUS IS ON: GAME AGE, PURCHASES + NSPCC**

## **ONLINE SAFETY WEEKLY**

**Is the game age appropriate?**  
 Before buying the game, check that your child is old enough to play it. All games will either have a PEGI rating or be rated by the App Store /Google Play. UK Safer Internet Centre have published a blog, which shares tips on what to do if your child asks about playing a new game:

- <https://saferinternet.org.uk/blog/help-my-child-wants-to-play-games-that-are-too-old-for-them-2>

**In app purchases**  
 In addition to the above, you should be aware of in app purchases as lots of games include the option to purchase additional items/subscriptions so ensure you do not have payment cards saved or set up restrictions/pin code to approve.

**Further information**  
 The NSPCC provide further guidance and support regarding this topic:

- <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-games/>



# Pensans (C)ommunity (A)spirational (R)elationships (E)xperiences (S)uccess ☺Personal Development ☺

This week, KS2 have been lucky enough to take a trip down to Gwithian beach, where they were taught to surf. Despite the wind, it was an amazing 2 days and children really throw themselves at it with a few of them managing to stand up and catch a wave or two back to shore! Thank you to Global Boarders! You taught us how spending time at the beach and in the sea doesn't not only teaches us new skills and water safety but supports our well-being and is good for the souls/spirits too!



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**SMSC**

<b>SPIRITUAL</b> Your spirituality and beliefs are an important part of what makes you who you are.	<b>MORAL</b> Your morals are the rules and judgements that you live your life by.	<b>SOCIAL</b> Social skills are an important part of your daily life.	<b>CULTURAL</b> Your culture is everything around you that you accept as normal every day life.
Religions	Ethics	Relationships	Lifestyle
Spirituality	Laws	Communication	Influences
Kindness	Pride	Assertiveness	Ambitious
Understanding	Resilience	Confidence	Heritage
Acceptance	Integrity	Respect	Traditions



How often do you reflect on SMSC in your life?

