

Pensans Post

Autumn term 13/11/2020



Dear Parents and Carers,

I have been truly delighted by the learning that I have seen throughout the school this week. Your children are proud of their achievements and it's a pleasure to share their joy both when they visit me in my office and when I pop into their classes. Parents of all children from Reception class onwards will be emailed interim school reports today. Please look out for them in your email Inbox.



Thank you for supporting Children in Need with your donations. Our children always want to take part in national events and although this year is slightly different in terms of possible activities the non-uniform day is always popular!

Following the latest Government Guidance a number of staff at Pensans need to work from home. We have been supported by Truro and Penwith Academy Trust to cover these staff while they need to work from home. If this affects your child's class you will receive a letter letting you know how your child's class is being staffed during this lockdown.

We really appreciate that those of you who are able to, are wearing masks on and off site and that you are restricting your social interactions to keep us all as safe as possible both on school grounds and outside of school.

As you know we have made **very specific timings for each class** to begin and end the day. These timings are so that we **reduce the numbers of adults on site** at any one time. This measure is in place to reduce the risk of the spread of COVID19. Many of you are arriving at the correct time slot and leaving a swiftly as you can and we are very appreciative. **When you arrive with your child please keep them with you in the area designated for their 'Bubble' until the teacher welcomes them into school.**

Our communication pathways remain the same and I am pleased that you are using the messages@pensans.cornwall.sch.uk to contact your child's teacher, the office or myself.

Have a safe and relaxing weekend, Angela Clay

21st December to 1st January - Christmas holidays

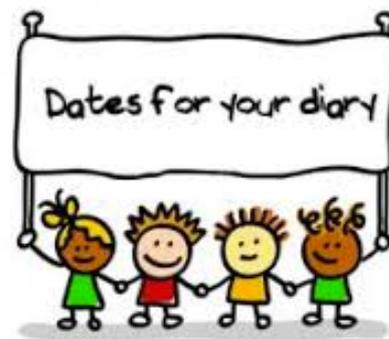
4th January 2021 - INSET Day, no school

EYFS: Caterpillars, Butterflies & Bumblebees (Y0)

* Phase 1 / KS1: Green (Y1) & Orange (Y2) & Amber (Y3)

* Phase 2 / KS2: Cobalt (Y4/5), Violet (Y4/5), Indigo (Y4/5)

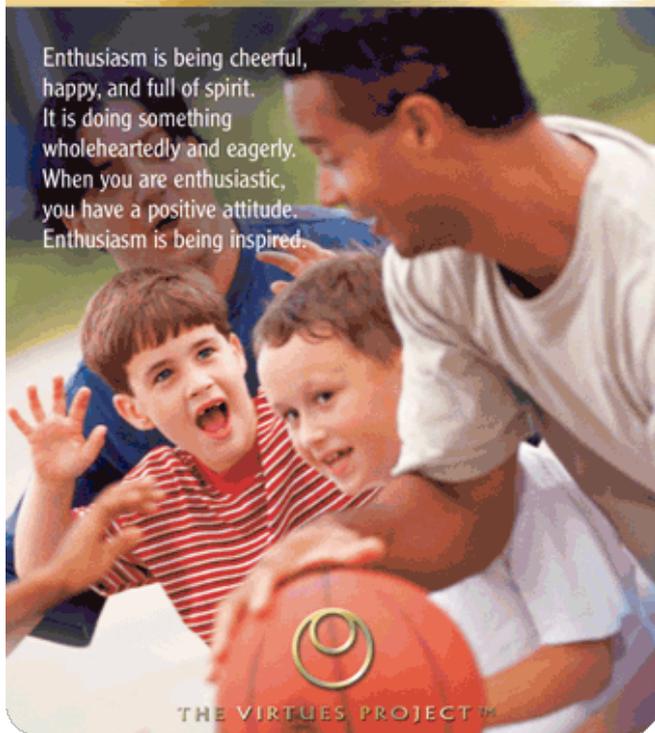
* Phase 3 / KS2: Turquoise (Y6)



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Enthusiasm



Enthusiasm is being cheerful, happy, and full of spirit. It is doing something wholeheartedly and eagerly. When you are enthusiastic, you have a positive attitude. Enthusiasm is being inspired.

You are practicing

Enthusiasm

when you...

- Smile, laugh and enjoy what you do
- Look forward to something eagerly
- Have a positive attitude
- Do things wholeheartedly
- Look on the bright side
- Are inspired by the wonders of life

Affirmation

I am full of enthusiasm.

I give 100% to whatever I do. I use my imagination.

I am open to the wonders in store for me today.



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School Dinners

Week commencing 16/11/2020 is week 1. Weekly menus are on our school website.

If you think your child may be entitled to "Free School Meals" please let Mrs Oliver in reception know. This also applies to those having free dinners because they are in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and have free "Universal Infant Free School Meals" because of their age. Our school also receives Pupil Premium funding for each child on "Free School Meals".

Children going home after lunch on Wednesday - collection times

Unless you have applied for a Wednesday afternoon place for your child, please collect them after their lunches at the times below at their normal pick up place.

EYFS Caterpillars / Butterflies / Bumblebees	Phase 1 Green / Orange / Amber	Phase 2 Cobalt / Violet / Indigo	Phase 3 Turquoise	Families
12:45pm	12.40pm	12.30pm	12.20pm	12.50pm

For more details about Wednesday afternoons and how to apply if you meet the criteria check our website's newsletter page - see 23rd July.

We use the Accelerated Reader portal to get the children engaged with their progress and enable them to do some home reading and quizzing?

Children are again invited to login from home to quiz on home books and read and quiz on the many online non-fiction articles available via AR 360 on their profile. They can check their targets and scores and see their progress and books read shelf. They can also search for a new book and take vocabulary and literacy skills quizzes.



Children can login from any device, no app needed, by going to the link below and using their user name and password they use in school which is usually found in their planner.

As part of recognising outstanding learning behaviours, we will be celebrating the children who have achieved **BLUE** each week. Well done to everyone who achieved it this week!



Blue:

I produce **outstanding** work.

I have **worked my hardest** and the adults around me recognise that I have made a **great effort**.

I have been a **fantastic friend** to others, helping out when I was needed. I continue to make all of the **right choices** in my learning and behaviours. I show **care and consideration** for others and my school.

Class	Well done for achieving blue this week!
Bumblebees	Finnley and Tommie
Green	Lilly and Jacob
Orange	Elisei and Maizey
Violet	Freya and Danielle
Amber	Keeva and Lamorna
Cobalt	Paige and Archie J and Archie N
Indigo	Mia and Dominick
Turquoise	Kyle and Millie



Computer and video games have a Pan-European Game Information (PEGI) rating printed on the front of the case. If your child is at Pensans, any game they play or watch should have a green PEGI. Please be aware that playing games out of their age range is a child protection issue and be aware of what they are playing. Even if your child is only watching an older family member playing a game with a 12, 16 or 18 rating, they still are being exposed to unsuitable material.

Stars of the week



Bumblebees	Cooper	For being excited about his learning and having the idea to have a puppet theatre in the classroom which he then helped others use.
Orange	Quinn	For his brilliant writing all about Remembrance Day including using pre cursive script.
Green	Vinny	For trying his best, working independently and great behaviour.
Cobalt	Lilah	For amazing independent story, Lilah has such a positive attitude to her work and nothing phases her! She put in 100% to her story and we were really impressed!
Violet	Chanelle	For her fantastic learning attitude and for always being a star!
Amber	Charlie S	For his enthusiasm and excellence when using base 10 to work out tricky addition and subtraction problems.
Indigo	Luke	For showing outstanding behaviour at all times and excellent presentation in his work, particularly literacy.
Turquoise	Jenny	For her outstanding information text about Pompeii and Mount Vesuvius. Her attention to detail in both her written and illustrated aspects were fantastic. Thank you.

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YOU SHOULD BOOK A COVID-19 TEST IF YOUR CHILD HAS:

A HIGH TEMPERATURE

This means they feel hot to touch on their chest or back (you do not need to measure their temperature).

OR

A NEW CONTINUOUS COUGH

This means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if they usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual).

OR

A LOSS OR CHANGE TO THEIR SENSE OF SMELL OR TASTE

This means they've noticed they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

IF YOUR CHILD DOES NOT HAVE SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19 BUT HAS OTHER COLD-LIKE SYMPTOMS, SUCH AS A RUNNY NOSE, THEY DO NOT NEED TO BE TESTED AND THEY OR MEMBERS OF YOUR HOUSEHOLD DO NOT NEED TO SELF-ISOLATE. YOUR CHILD CAN ATTEND SCHOOL IF FIT TO DO SO.

HERE'S WHAT TO DO IF:

YOUR CHILD HAS COVID-19 SYMPTOMS

WHAT TO DO?

- DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL
- Book a COVID-19 test
- Household self-isolates
- Inform school immediately about test result

WHEN CAN MY CHILD RETURN?

Your child can return to school if the test is negative providing they are well enough, have not had a fever for 48 hours and if they haven't been advised to self-isolate by the PHA Contact Tracing Service.

YOUR CHILD TESTS POSITIVE FOR COVID-19

WHAT TO DO?

- DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL
- Inform school immediately about test result
- Self-isolate for at least 10 days as advised by the PHA.

WHEN CAN MY CHILD RETURN?

Your child can return to school after 10 days even if they still have a cough / loss of smell or taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks.

SOMEBODY IN MY HOUSEHOLD HAS COVID-19 SYMPTOMS

WHAT TO DO?

- DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL
- The household member should book a COVID-19 test
- Household self-isolates
- Inform school immediately about test result

WHEN CAN MY CHILD RETURN?

Your child can return to school if the symptomatic household member's test is negative and if they haven't been advised to self-isolate by the PHA Contact Tracing Service.

SOMEBODY IN MY HOUSEHOLD TESTS POSITIVE FOR COVID-19

WHAT TO DO?

- DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL
- Inform school immediately about test result

WHEN CAN MY CHILD RETURN?

Your child can return to school when they have completed 14 days of self-isolation without any symptoms*.