



Dear Parents, Carers and Families,

Another busy and successful week at Pensans © Firstly, thank you to all those parents and children who supported our Book Fair this week. It was a huge success and it was great to see pupils and families being excited by reading and books. The love of reading is so important for the continued academic potential of your children. We were visited by the TPAT Director of Education Mr Chris Gould on Wednesday where he was observing Reading throughout the school. He was impressed with the progress of children's reading particularly our younger children and their ever-improving phonics knowledge – the basis of excellent reading skills as they move up through the school. He commented on the high-quality support from our brilliant teaching assistants also, so well done to everyone.

Staff have also been successful in refreshing or taking their minibus training this week. This means that now there are at least seven members of staff that are able to drive our minibuses which is integral to us delivering an exciting and wide-ranging curriculum by allowing us to take part in experiences and opportunities off site as well as in school. Thank you to all the staff involved – we are now experts in the highway code!

I have attended a conference held at Heartlands this week run by the local authority focussing on Transforming Attendance. It was informative and interesting but mostly encouraging in that Pensans School is already implementing many of the strategies that were brought to our attention. Improving attendance in schools is a national priority and I appreciate the support that parents are giving to help us to achieve better attendance for your children. Our statutory attendance figures hit 95% this week and shows a huge improvement for the school. Thank you and keep up the good work ©

Many of our children have been involved in sporting activities off site with Multi-skills events at Mounts Bay Academy and our ongoing participation in Swimming and weekly sessions at Penzance Gymnastics Club. As always, the children's behaviour was remarked upon as being excellent. A credit to you as parents and to the children as representatives of Pensans School when out in the community.

This coming week is also just as busy! A reminder for you that on Tuesday 14th November Hatchbox Photography will be in school to take individual photos of the children and also presents the opportunity for you to have family photos with siblings (from 8.30a.m) I know that Mrs Watling has already sent out information – this has always been popular for Christmas presents for families and friends. Best turn out in school uniform that day please, not forgetting your ties! If your child has PE on a Tuesday, please can you send them to school in full uniform and bring PE kit to get changed into. We want everyone looking their smartest for the photographer and showing off their best smiles.

We'll be rounding off next week with our annual Children in Need festivities - watch this space for details!

Apologies for the lateness of the newsletter and enjoy what's left of the weekend!

Mrs Ambrose



Stars of the Week

Gwenver Class	Isaac for caring for everyone and everything
Godrevy Class	Lottie F for following instructions with thought and care
Gwithian Class	Lexi J for super-independent learning
Porthcurno Class	Ava P for showing good manners at all times
Sennen Class	Tyler for always treating everyone with kindness and respect



Class Stars of the Week

Cape	Sonny for following instructions and joining in on the carpet.				
Gwenver	Cleo for her fantastic effort in Phonics.				
Godrevy	Louie for super reading and writing in phonics. Well done!				
Gwithian	Kaeden for his lovely manners at all times.				
Porthcurno	The whole class for their dedication and discipline this week during their report writing and for showing excellent patience and tolerance.				
Sennen	Kobe for always putting 100% of effort in, never complaining and always doing the right thing.				
Attendance Matters		Our school target for	Monday 6 th November–		
		attendance is 97%	Friday 10 th November 2023		
		1st Place Porthcurno	95.33%		
		2 nd Place Sennen	94.86%		
		3 rd Place Godrevy	93.16%		

Special Headteacher Award

MY AWARD GOES TO KAJUS THIS WEEK AS WHEN HE DISCOVERED THAT SOMETIMES PEOPLE AREN'T ALWAYS HONEST WHEN SUPPORTING CHARITIES, HE WANTED TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE USING HIS NATURAL MORAL COMPASS WITHIN HIM. THANK YOU KAJUS, WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU AND YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO TEAM PENSANS EVERYDAY!

PENSANS CARES ABOUT SPIRITUAL, MORAL, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT





Smartest Cloakroom goes to Godrevy this week and tidiest Classroom goes to Gwithian. 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 8:40am

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Reception (Gwenver Class) and Year 1/2 (Godrevy and Gwithian Classes)

"The Twinkly Nativity" Performances: 2:30pm and 5:30pm Wednesday 13th December.

Year 3/4 (Porthcurno Class) and Year 5/6 (Sennen Class)

<u>Christmas Concert Thursday 14th</u> December at the Methodist Church

Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day: Friday

15th December

Christmas Holiday: starts on Tuesday 19th

December: 1pm

Morry Northway **2 3** Haven Pan Yeo

SATS WEEK: Monday 13th May 2023 – Thursday 16th May 2023



A shout out to Gwenver Class who have been learning about remembrance and why everyone is wearing poppies. We have been working on jumping in PE and our story has been One snowy night. The number focus of the week was the number 4 and the children have made a magic potion in the number 4 porridge pot today which has woken the magic in the dreaming tree on the way into school. Remember to greet the dreaming tree as you go past. I wonder what adventures you will be having this weekend. I look forward to hearing all about them on Monday.





PENSANS

(C)ommunity (A)spirational (R)elationships (E)xperiences (S)uccess



Your spirituality and beliefs are an important part of what makes you who you are.

Religions Spirituality

Kindness Understanding Acceptance

Your morals are the rules and judgements that you live your life by.

> **Ethics** Laws Pride

Resilience Integrity

Social skills are an important part of your daily life.

Relationships

Communication Assertiveness

> Confidence Respect

Your culture is everything around you that you accept as normal every day life.

Lifestyle

Influences **Ambitious**

Heritage

Traditions

How often do you reflect on SMSC in your life?

THIS IS HOW WE HAVE BEEN ACTIVE AND REFLECTIVE WITH SMSC DEVELOPMENT AT PENSANS THIS WEEK...



BOOK FAIR

ALL BOOKS

HALF

THURSDAY

IN THE HALL

CASH ONLY

9TH NOVEMBER AFTER SCHOOL

MULTI-SKILLS AT MOUNTS BAY **SECONDARY SCHOOL**





"A book is a gift you can open again and again."

Personal Development at Pensans focuses on:

- developing responsible, respectful, and active citizens.
- promoting equality of opportunity.
- promoting an inclusive environment.
- developing pupils' character, giving them qualities that they need to flourish in society.
- developing pupils' confidence and resilience so that they can keep themselves mentally healthy.
- preparing pupils for the next phase of education.



