

Pensans Community Primary School Newsletter

SUMMER TERM: 12TH JUNE 2026



PENSANS CP SCHOOL
Future ready - Ny veu kevs sew yans vyth



Mrs Ambrose's Weekly Update

Dear Parents, Families and Friends,
Another busy week! At this time of year, with so many activities planned, it is really important that all P.E. kit is in school at all times. May I also politely remind you that crocs and jelly shoes are not appropriate or safe footwear for school.

This week, many of our children have been taking part in a range of assessments, including Phonics and Multiplication Tables checks, with KS1 SATs taking place next week. I would like to say how incredibly proud we all are of the children for the effort they are putting into these - a real credit to themselves. Thank you also to parents for your continued support in helping them to feel prepared and confident.

The first group of our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils took part in their Bikeability sessions on Wednesday and Thursday, with the next group scheduled for next week. The Bikeability trainers were extremely complimentary about our children, praising their resilience, concentration and excellent manners. They even commented that Pensans pupils were the best they had worked with - something we are very proud of 😊

Gwithian Class have been intrepid explorers today on their trip to St Michael's Mount - I am very much looking forward to hearing all about their adventures when they return! Our younger learners in Porthmeor Class have also been exploring as Food Explorers, bravely trying new foods each day and broadening their tastes and experiences. Well done to you all - that sounds deliciously wonderful. Next week, our Year 3 and Year 4 children will be visiting Geevor on Thursday 18th June. You should have received details from the class teacher. Let's hope for some brighter weather this weekend - have fun 😊

Niki Ambrose

Headteacher's Award

This weeks Headteacher's Award went to Mrs Scrase in the office and Poppy.



WHAT HAVE YOU
DONE TODAY TO MAKE
YOU FEEL
PROUD?

Stars of the Week



Class Stars

Cape
Class

Julia

for being a fantastic and caring friend to everyone! We are very proud of you!

Gwithian
Class

Lariyah

for being an absolute gem in the classroom, always listening and following instructions.

Godrevy
Class

Oakley

for following instructions with thought and care.

Porthcurno
Class

Lyndon

for his enthusiasm and helpfulness in the class.

Sennen
Class

Kacie

for being incredibly helpful all week.

Porthmeor
Class

Teyha

for amazing counting at number time.

Porthminster
Class

Leo

for settling into his morning routine in Porthcurno Class

Attendance

Our school target for attendance is 97%

Monday 8th June - Friday 12th June 2026

1st Place: Porthcurno 95.3%

2nd Place: Portminster 95.2%

3rd Place: Sennen 94%

★ Attendance Matters!

★ Together, Every Day Counts

💬 Did You Know?

Students who attend school regularly are more likely to achieve better grades and build stronger friendships.
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/link-between-attendance-and-attainment>

DfE statutory guidance is clear: holidays during term time will not be authorised unless there are exceptional circumstances. Unavoidable leave of absence requests for school-aged children are generally related to one off events that are rare, significant, unavoidable, and short in duration. Family holidays are not considered unavoidable. Taking your child out of school without permission may result in a Penalty Notice being issued.

What this means:

- A Penalty Notice may be issued if your child has unauthorised absences, including holidays.
- The fine is £80 per child, per parent if paid within 21 days, rising to £160 if paid within 28 days.
- Failure to pay may result in prosecution.
- There is no right of appeal—if you believe a notice was issued in error, you must contact the school directly.

We understand that holidays are important for family time, but we are legally required to prioritise your child's education and wellbeing. Every school day counts.

If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £80 if paid within 21 days or £160 if paid after this but within 28 days. If your child is further absent from school without authorisation within any 3-year period, you will be committing a further offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices for a second offence are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £160, payable within 28 days. Importantly, fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action such as a parenting order or prosecution will be considered.

Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may also result in legal action. If you are prosecuted and attend court because your child has not been attending school, you could get a fine of up to £2,500. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.

Absence not authorised by the school may also result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Again, Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.

Money raised from fines is only used by the local authority to cover the costs of administering the system, and to fund attendance support. Any extra money is returned to the government.

If you have any questions or need to discuss exceptional circumstances, please contact the school office.
Thank you for your continued support.



Summer Term 2

Thursday 18th June - Porthcurno trip to Geevor Mine

Monday 22nd June - Godrevy to Maritime Museum

Tuesday 23rd June - Gwithian Reception to Penlee Museum

Thursday 25th June PM - Whole School Sports Day

Tuesday 30th June - Y6 transition to MBA and Humphry Davy, rest of school transition to new classes.

Thursday 2nd July - Sennen to Discovery 4

Friday 3rd July - Sennen to Eden Project

Thursday 9th July PM - Colour Run Event (afternoon)

Thurs 23rd July - EYFS end of term Pirate Party

Friday 24th July - break up at 1pm.

2026-2027

Tuesday 1st September- INSET for whole school

Wednesday 2nd September - additional INSET for ARB

Wednesday 2nd September - Nursery closed for home visits

Monday 4th January - INSET for whole school

Tuesday 5th January - additional INSET for ARB

Tuesday 5th January - Cape Nursery closed for home visits

Monday 12th April- additional INSET for ARB

Monday 12th April - Nursery closed for home visits





Penzance / Madron Scout Group

Come and join us on our adventures. Whether you are 4yrs or 104yrs there is something for everyone boys and girls.

- Squirrels 4-6yrs meet Wednesday 5:30-6:15pm
- Beavers 6-8yrs meet Wednesday 6:30-7:30pm
- Cubs 8-10 1/2 yrs meet Tuesday 6:30-8pm
- Scouts 10 1/2 -14yrs meet Monday 6:30-8:30pm
- Explorers 14-18yrs meet Thursday 7:30-9:30pm

If you are interested please send an email to our Group Lead Volunteer Jer Rowe skinyourthat@gmail.com



PLAY IN A DAY

CORONATION PARK, HELSTON

THURSDAY 6TH AUGUST

10-4 PM



For all children aged 7-11years.
10am start with the performance at 4pm
£10 per child to take part.

Tickets to watch the performance -
£10 adults, £5 children

Pack your imagination and join the ride!
Zoom across the globe, explore wild Faraway lands, and dive into a whirlwind of adventure.
One epic story created by you, one spectacular day, and YOU are the star.

To book visit minack.com or call the box office on -01736 810181
For further information email education@minack.com

THE CORNWALL BICYCLE PROJECT

FREE CYCLING ACTIVITIES HEAMOOR

13|14
JUNE 26

JOIN US FOR
BIKE REPAIRS AT PULSE VENUE, HEAMOOR,
 SATURDAY 13 JUNE • 9:30 AM - 12 PM
FAMILY CYCLE RIDE: HEAMOOR
 SATURDAY, JUNE 13 • 1 PM - 4 PM
SOCIAL CYCLE RIDE: HEAMOOR TO NORTH COAST
 SUNDAY 14 JUNE • 10 AM - 1 PM

TO BOOK OR FOR MORE INFO SCAN THE QR CODE OR
<https://thecornwallbicycleproject.eventbrite.com/>



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Play in a Day Tempest With a Twist

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MINACK
THEATRE

Free for 7-11 year olds

Saturday 20th June

9.30am start. Performance at 4pm

Work with professional directors, choreographers, a musical director and makers to brave stormy seas, survive a shipwreck, and discover a little magic along the way - all in one amazing day on the Minaack stage.

For more information and to book visit minaack.com, or call the box office 01736 810181

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with your Local Authority



ONLINE WORKSHOP: Raising Children in a Connected and Digital World

Teams link:

JOIN NOW

Meeting ID: 348 567 017 563 6
Passcode: fd7Hf6Sh

FREE 45-minute workshop designed for primary parents and carers who want to support their children and young people's relationship with technology.



Thursday 18th June

9.15-10am

1.45-2.30pm

5.45-6.30pm

- 🦋 The Modern Digital Playground
- 🦋 Navigating Key Online Challenges
- 🦋 Practical tools and family strategies
- 🦋 Family tech planner and resources
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