

Pensans Post

Spring term 26/02/2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

I am absolutely delighted that we are able to welcome all children back into school on Monday 8th March. This is a poem that was shared with staff from another Headteacher and staff at Pensans wanted me to share it with you as it sums up our approach to children returning to school.

Don't tell me I'm behind.

Don't tell me I'll be held back for ever.

Don't tell me I need longer at school.

Don't tell me I'm lost.

Tell me I can do it.

Tell me you'll help me.

Tell me you believe in me.

Tell me we'll do it together.

Yours sincerely,

The children.

We will always prioritise children's well being and engagement and enthusiasm for learning.

The school will be running in the same way that we did in the Autumn Term. Children will remain in their Bubbles throughout the day with the same staggered start and finish times. Lunchtimes and playtimes will be staggered as they were last year, children will wash their hands on arrival, regularly throughout the day and have their temperatures taken in the morning.

EYFS - Caterpillars, Butterflies and Bumblebees

Drop off (9.05am (OR 8.45am if you have a child/ children in different Phases)

Pick Up: As arranged with teachers: 11.45am or 2.35pm or 2.45pm.

Path towards Nancealverne School to EYFS wooden gate.

Wednesdays 12.45pm pick up.

Phase 1 - Green, Orange and Amber

Drop off - 8.50am

Pick Up - Green, Orange, Amber - 2.50pm

Green and Orange Class - through the KS1 playground near the disabled parking bay.

Amber Class - Doors to the right of Reception area door.

Wednesdays 12.50pm pick up.

(Continued overleaf)...

(Arrival and pick up times continued)...

Phase 2 -Cobalt, Violet and Indigo

Drop off - 8.40am

Pick Up - 2.40pm

Cobalt Class - through end doors in KS1 playground, near the disabled parking bay.

Violet Class - through shared area doors to the left of Reception area.

Indigo Class - through the gates to the main playground and then through the shared area doors.

Wednesdays 12.40pm pick up.

Phase 3 - Turquoise

Drop off - 8.30am

Pick Up - 2.35pm

Through the gate to the main playground and straight onto the playground

Wednesdays 12.30pm pick up.

Families with more than one child.

Drop Off - 8.45am. Pick Up - 2.45pm

Wednesdays 12.50pm pick up.

You will need to ensure that you arrive on site at your designated times wearing a mask so that we can reduce the number of adults on site at any one time. Please remember that physical distancing rules remain in place and you should keep a 2-metre distance from other adults and socialise only with your support Bubbles. Where possible only one adult should bring children to school.

Wednesday afternoons will be used as home learning for the majority of children and this will give us the opportunity to deep clean mid week. If your circumstances have changed since December and you are unsure whether your child is eligible for a place on Wednesday afternoons please email messages@pensans.cornwall.sch.uk and let us know.

Thank you for raising the issue of uniform. Many children may have grown out of uniform and we would like you to bring in clean, old uniform, dropping it off in plastic containers that will be outside the School Reception on **Monday 1st March**. The uniform will then be quarantined and sorted into sizes so that you can come and pick up any items that you need on **Tuesday 9th March**. So that we can keep to the Government guidelines we would like you to bring uniform at the following times:

EYFS - 9.30am - 10.15am

Phase 1- 10.30am - 11.15am

Phase 2 - 11.30am - 12.15pm

Phase 3 - 12.30pm - 1.15pm

Our PTA will sort the uniform into sizes so that you can easily find clothing that you need. Our expectation is that children wear uniform, however we will continue to have doors and windows open during the school day and children will be allowed to wear coats and as many additional layers of clothing that they need to keep warm.

Have a safe, peaceful and sunny weekend!

Angela Clay



Stars of the week



Bumblebees	Mya	For a superb effort with her home learning over lockdown.
Green	Izzy	For completing all her work to an amazingly high standard and leaving such positive comments.
	Tacara	For challenging herself to learn to skip and showing great persistence. Also for doing some brilliant reading!
Orange	Riley	For his brilliant piece of Titanic writing.
Amber	Eddy	For his wonderful cake of an Aztec Temple . Well done Eddy, it looks amazing!
Violet	Kyron	For his excellence in his home learning! I especially loved his Mayan God research and the beautiful presentation!
Cobalt	Eliza	For a super start to remote learning after half-term, an amazing story and always completing work to a fantastic standard. We are looking forward to seeing your amazing creative ideas when you are back to school. Well done and keep it up Eliza!
Indigo	Luke	For fantastic attitude to learning and completing work to a high standards.
Turquoise	Katelyn	For always fully immersing herself into every project and literally living her learning. It has been a real joy to see. Thank you Katelyn. (See below for an extract from Katelyn's half-term journal).

Monday

I went out on my bike .

Tuesday

Pancake day , we had a pancake party . Jonathan cooked the pancakes this year , I want to do next time . Kess made up the biscuit crunch topping.

Wednesday

Had a walk at Poldu beach .

Thursday

More bike riding , I'm able to go further now .

Friday

Today we went to Hawaii for a luau to mark the end of half term . A luau is a fest / party I will put some photos on . We had a feast that the whole family helped with . We found Hawaiian dishes to make

. I did the fruit platter and decorated the Hawaiian wedding cake . Menu to follow .

In the photos see that giant inflatable pineapple , my favourite bit was blowing that up . Apart from that tie set Mum brought me. That was the only decoration we had but at least it was a pineapple . I

did some Hulu dancing and mum and kess . And we watched the two Elvis Hawaiian films .

It was good to see the costumes worn and the dancing . And the music , they use a lot of drums and these long sticks they bang. They also clap a lot as part of the music . We are going to have another luau in the summer in the garden .

Saturday

I had a lie in as I had jet lag from the trip , then I read my David Walliams book code bananas

Sunday went for a walk



This week Phase 2 children had to write the end of the story. We were so impressed by Eliza's that we had to share it!:

The humidity was unbearable. Perhaps when they entered the temple it would be cooler? The group had been travelling together for days, fighting their way through the jungle. They had exhausted themselves wrestling with vines and branches, drenched in sweat as the heat attacked them. All around them, the air was heavy; each breath was a gasp. The jungle climate was oppressive, and they were in need of rest. As the group hacked their way through the dense foliage with their machetes, they had glimpsed the hidden temple. Approaching the door with a sense of growing trepidation, they knew they had to go inside; curiosity and desperation had got the better of them...

Eliza's ending ...

The air seemed to close in around them as they edged slowly towards the vine covered entrance. The noises from the jungle were loud and unnerving. Things seemed to attack their senses, the heat, the noise, the horrendous stench coming from the darkness inside the mysterious temple. As they cautiously made their way in, they stayed as close as they could to each other. They were all on edge. Coming from above their heads, was a faint hissing sound. Grabbing their torches from the heavy backpack they shone a light up to see where the noise was coming from. To their shock and horror, there were hundreds, maybe thousands of snakes woven between the vines that had grown into the temples ceiling. They had cold sweat running down their heads and an awful feeling of butterflies in their stomachs. They froze like statues, they were so scared they forgot to breathe. Luck seemed to be on their side. The snakes didn't seem to lay an eye on them. They realised the snakes weren't bothered by them, which made them not as scared anymore. So they made their way to the next room, where the vines were even thicker. In the centre of the room, there seemed to be something shining from under a big mound of dirt. The group filled with excitement. They started to move quicker and before they knew it one of the group had taken a wrong step and the floor had fallen beneath him and he had fallen with it into a pit of poisonous snakes. Shocked and scared, they thought their eyes had deceived them. The two remaining members of the group were too scared to move, but they managed to look down into the pit. They gasped as they saw their friend, dead with snakes surrounding him. He was surrounded with skeletons. They would need to be a lot more careful from now on. Finding it hard to see and breathe as the tears streamed from their eyes, they took careful steps forward. That wasn't enough for another one of the remaining members as she placed a foot wrong and again the floor crumbled beneath her. When the leader did not hear a response, she worried it was her turn next. Moving as carefully as possible, she did it. She grabbed the pot of treasure that they had seen shining and she ran out like her life depended on it.



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**Well done Eddy!
Amber Star of the Week!**



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	Louisa and Andreyra
Green	Aiva and Ivy
Orange	Kobe and Cherry
Violet	Harry and Danielle
Amber	Keeva and Lucie
Cobalt	Zelah and Lewis
Indigo	Lola Lee and Jack G
Turquoise	Grace and Casey

Book Tokens

Thursday 4th March is World Book Day and lots of booky fun is being planned for the coming week, as usual the children will receive a £1 book token to use in shops when they reopen and in newsagents and some supermarkets now. We will be getting the vouchers soon so that they can be redeemed over the next few weeks.



Celebrate World Book Day with a trip to the theatre!

It seems such a long time since we have been able to watch a performance or go to the cinema. However, we are excited to announce that we have been given free online access to the National Theatre Collection. There are over 30 unique, world class recordings available for you to watch in your home, giving you the best seats in the house whenever you want! The classic stories of Peter Pan and Treasure Island are just two classic stories being performed, along with a number of Shakespeare plays adapted for a younger audience. Login details will be emailed to you and will be available on seesaw soon. For more information take a look here. Happy World Book Day to you all!

<https://www.nationaltheatre.org.uk/learning/national-theatre-collection>



If you think your child may be entitled to "Free School Meals" please email Mrs Oliver in reception (messages@pensans.cornwall.sch.uk) This also applies to those having free dinners because they are in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and have "Universal Infant Free School Meals" because of their age. Our school also receives Pupil Premium funding for each child on Free School Meals so as well as helping you, it also helps our school.

PENSANS FREE SCHOOL MEAL VOUCHERS

We can now provide Free School Meal vouchers for all FSM children. We will be placing the order for the vouchers on Fridays & will order a £15 voucher for each FSM child. We will adjust voucher order amounts for any FSM child who has been in school and had a school meal that week.

Schoolvouchers.com will distribute the vouchers. We plan for the vouchers to be sent to parents and carers between Friday afternoon to Sunday morning. Please check for emails and texts over the weekend and email if you have any queries: messages@pensans.cornwall.sch.uk.

You are practicing

Determination

when you...

- Believe what you are doing is important
- Set goals for yourself
- Stay focused without being distracted
- Keep going if it gets difficult
- Ask for help when you need it
- Finish what you start

Affirmation

I am determined.

*I set goals and keep going until I achieve them.
I get things done. I stay focused on my purpose.*



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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

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 4th March** - World Book Day
- 8th March** - All children back to school
- 2nd-16th April** - Easter holidays
- 19th-30th April** - Big Pedal Week
- 3rd May** - Bank Holiday
- 31st May - 4th June** - Half term
- 7th June** - INSET day
- 23rd July** - Last day of Summer term

- * 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)

