

Weekly Newsletter

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This week's focus: Happy New Year! Message from Mr Richards

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the start of the spring term here at Penponds School. I was delighted with the enthusiasm, cheery smiles and determination of the children to get on with their learning on their first day back. Many of them talked to me at lunchtime about their holidays, Christmas presents and experiences over the last two weeks. Indeed, in assembly yesterday we talked about what the word 'new' means and how exciting and challenging that word can be. Soon the children will start their new topics, homework grids and spellings. I hope all the children grasp the many opportunities on offer this term to develop their curiosity, creativity and confidence. Thank you for your continued support

Adam Richards

Headteacher

Severe weather

If the school has to close due to severe weather this term we will let you know via text message, email (if possible) and local radio. If you have updated your contact details over the holiday please let Mrs Wood know in the office ASAP so we are able to update our database. Many thanks.

Coats

Please can all children ensure they have a coat in school – even if they get dropped off by car.

Club information

Touch rugby starts on Monday 8th Jan.

Choir restarts on Tuesday 16th Jan.

Go-Active Fencing on Thursday 18th Jan.

Y5/6 camp

Children brought home letters yesterday regarding the planned Porthpean camp on 16th July to Friday 20th July. Leavers Assembly for the Year 6 children will take place on Friday 13th July at 2pm, a week early to account for camp. The children will return from camp by 1.30pm on Friday 20th July to ensure they have an afternoon to say goodbye to the school and all get their shirts signed!

Valentines Disco

FOPS have organised a Valentine's Disco on Thursday 8th February from 5.30pm to 7pm. There will be hotdogs and refreshments available like the previous disco. Instead of parents staying for the disco, staff will look after the children so parents don't have to stay. There will also be a 'chill out' room for children who have had enough of the dancing! More details to follow soon.

Reception place for 2018

If you wish to apply for a place for the reception class 2018 the deadline is the 15th January. Please follow this link: <u>https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/school-admissions/apply-to-start-school-or-transfer-to-junior-secondary-or-ks4-school-in-september-2018/</u>

Dates for your diary: Mon 8th Jan – Year 5/6 Swimming starts Mon 8th Jan – Youth Speaks practice at 3.30pm Monday 8th Jan – Clubs start Tuesday 9th Jan – Keyboard lessons start Tuesday 23rd Jan – Art day in Carn Brea and Godolphin class Wednesday 24th Jan – Tregonning at Plymouth University for Science and engineering showcase Friday 26th January – Youth Speaks Thursday 8th Feb – Valentines Disco 6pm to 7.30pm Monday 12th Feb – Spring half term

Attendance over the autumn term: Carn Brea: 95.26% Godolphin: Y1 – 97.68% YR2 – 95.76% Trencrom: 95.68% Tregonning: 96.78%

Awards

Top Table: Ethan, Evie T, Alex K, Faith

Carn Brea: Jasper, Emily R, Abbie, Toby **Godolphin**: YR1 – Freya D, Lily, Ava YR2 – Griffin, Jasmine, Harry P, Elijah

Trencrom: Lemmy, Lily, Ben Tregonning: The Whole Class and Cadan, Ryan Headteacher: Piran C, Ellie R, Kaiden, Mylo, Rosie Maths: Alice, Ellena, Minnie
Quote of the week: When anything seems to be going against you, remember that the airplane takes off against the wind, not with it. Henry Ford



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Why not try	Family Learning for parents and carers SPaG for SATs Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar Helping you to help your child!
Being held at On	Roskear Skills for Life Centre, Camborne Friday afternoons 12:45 – 2:45 Starting 12 th January for 9 weeks

For more information, contact Vicki Salvidge on 07968 992495 or vicki.salvidge@cornwall-acl.ac.uk



	This course is free and funded by the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA).
	You will find out more about the Year 2 and Year 6 SATs papers in spelling, punctuation and grammar and be able to work through these yourself as well as have the chance to gain an Ascentis award in English skills.
	There will be tea, coffee and biscuits.
CALENDAR 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	We would like you to attend every week if you can.
	If you have a younger child at home, we can help with childcare funding – ring 01872 327520 to find out more.
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