#### Weekly Newsletter



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# This week's focus: Pendennis Castle and CSIA Science

On Wednesday Godolphin class visited Pendennis Castle as part of their new topic. The children had a wonderful time exploring the castle and all the grounds in glorious sunshine. Each group had time to learn more about King Henry VIII and how he planned to defend England by building castles in Falmouth and St Mawes. Everyone handled interesting artefacts and dressed up as workers from the castle including a blacksmith, a potboy and the governor. We even had the chance to hear the cannons being fired!





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## Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September – Lanhydrock House and Garden trip Tregonning Class

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October** – Nasal Flu Immunisations

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October – Royal Cornwall Museum trip – Trencrom Class

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October** – Year 1 Hearing Screening

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October to Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October – Scholastic Book Fair in School

Wednesday 16th October – Harvest Assembly at 2.45pm (Date and Time change)

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October – Half-Term

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October – Dance After School Club begins Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November to Thursday 21st November Bikeability Training for Year 6 Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November – Camborne Lantern Parade





#### Year 6 Science Show

On Friday the 20<sup>th</sup> of September all the Year Sixes went to Camborne School for a special science show. We started with an introduction to solids, liquids and gases. The Scientist poured liquid nitrogen on the wooden floor and it evaporated instantly. After that, he put a rose into the nitrogen, and when he touched it, the flower crumbled. The next thing he froze was an ordinary

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December** – Christingle Assembly at 3pm

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Last Day of Autumn Term

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020 – INSET DAY – No children in school Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2020 First Day of Spring Term Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2010 Swimming Lessons begin – Trencrom Class

INSET DAYS 2019/2010

Wed 4th September 2019 Mon 6th January 2020 Fri 12th June 2020 Mon 15th June 2020 Thu 23rd July 2020

Attendance and Awards for this week:

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#### Attendance:

Carn Brea: 96.73% Godolphin: Y1 – 98.83% Y2 – 97.22% Trencrom – 93.83% Tregonning - 97.94%

Attendance Trophy Godolphin Class – Year 1

Celebration Awards:

Lunchtime: Caleb, Abbie, Bella, Vincent

**Carn Brea** Thomas, Archie, Orrin, Jack

Godolphin:

banana. It was so hard he banged a nail into a piece of wood. Then he crushed six balloons into a bowl using nitrogen. He then presented to us his 'magic potion' and to everyone's surprise, drank it. It turned out that is was made of water, food colouring and dry ice. After that six volunteers were selected to help the scientist put lids on little tubes with dry ice in.



They all made a very loud bang! Then the MAD scientist poured liquid nitrogen all over the poor innocent children. Next, the scientist used the fire triangle to set cotton wool, and then coco pops, on fire. Last but not least he ate the frozen banana. By Ellena and Jasmine

Year 1: Lily Dennis, Annabella J-B, Ia Year 2: Emily Q, Mia, Abbie

**Trencrom** Ellie R, Laurie, Lily Davis

**Tregonning** Harvey, Alex K **Maths** Annabelle G, Elffin, Chloe

**Headteacher Awards** Vincent, Bella, Griffin, William B, Esmee, Archie

# Quote:

Believe in yourself. Know that you can achieve whatever you put your mind to. Be a Go-Getter!

#### **Netball Tournament**

On Wednesday two netball teams went to a festival at Camborne School! We were against other schools like Weeth, Trevithick and St Meriadoc. Our school had two teams, red and green. The teams had 3 matches each and it might sound crazy but Penponds played Penponds! We learnt more about our positions and we learnt more information about the rules of netball. We all really enjoyed it and had lots of fun making new friends. By Keira and Alex K







#### **Nasal Flu Vaccinations**

The School Nursing Team will be in school on **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October** to administer nasal flu vaccinations for those children that have parental consent. You will shortly receive a letter detailing how to give this consent online. Please do this by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September. Without it your child will be unable to have the vaccination at school. They also request that if you do not want your child vaccinated to complete the consent and submit it along with the reason why to help plan and improve their service.

## **Child Health Checks**

Reception and Year 6 children will shortly be receiving booklets (Green for Reception and Purple for Year 6) regarding optional health checks offered by the School Nursing Team. Please read the booklets and complete the forms attached to the booklets indicating which checks you do not wish your child to have and return to the school office by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September.

## Hearing Screening for Year 1

The School Nurse will be coming into school on **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October** to undertake hearing tests for those children in Year 1 that have consent from parents last year.

## **Visions and Values**

We have recently reviewed the vision and values for our school. Please see the draft below. We welcome the views of parents so if you have any comments to make would you please send them in to Mrs Wood by Friday 27th September before we agree the final version. Thank you.

# Vision Statement – first draft Sept 2019

Penponds Primary School will work with all stakeholders to create a happy,

safe and stimulating environment where children become 'Leaders of their own

Learning'. By maintaining high expectations of the whole school community,

our children will be equipped to become lifelong learners. We

encourage **curiosity about the world, strive to be creative** in everything we do and **build confidence** in our children to enable them to grasp **opportunities and** 

tackle challenges with resilience and self-assurance.

# Our Vision Aiming High and Achieving Our Best

# **Our Values**

Curiosity – we are inquisitive learners who love to explore and investigate! Creativity – we are imaginative and inventive! Confidence - We have a resilient, 'can-do' attitude to learning! Caring – We are kind and respectful to each other and to our environment

# Aims

To provide an environment and curriculum that stimulates every child's desire to learn; to teach creatively to inspire children with unique learning experiences; to foster high aspirations and encourage children to be leaders of their own learning; to promote respect and kindness; to nurture and prepare children so they are ready to confidently face future challenges.

## Data Updates

You will shortly be receiving an email from SIMS Parent App Lite. In line with GDPR – data protection, please use this App to check your child/children's record we hold at school and update any details such as addresses, telephone numbers, changes to medical details. As this is the first time we have used this system please let us know if you have any problems.

#### Get Set to Eat Fresh

Have you ever wondered what Team GB athletes eat? How does their diet help them stay at the top of their game?

Get Set to Eat Fresh is part of the Get Set family of education programmes. Created in partnership with the British Olympic Association and Aldi, Get Set



to Eat Fresh uses Team GB athletes as a source of inspiration to encourage students aged 5-14 to cook and eat healthy, fresh food. Free lesson plans, activities and athlete films give young people the confidence to cook and feed themselves healthy food - everything they need to perform at their best in the classroom and on the field, supporting students to achieve healthy, active lifestyles.

# INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Understanding how to eat and cook healthy, fresh food has never been more important for young people. Get Set to Eat Fresh has a large helping of Team GB-inspired resources – including lesson plans, activities and films. These free activities get young people aged 5–14 thinking about how and why they should eat healthily.

Get Set to Eat Fresh recognises that young people need encouragement to develop their love of fresh, healthy food and this is best supported by activities both at home and at school.

On their web page there are activities to help you make the most of fresh food as a family. Get the whole family engaged with our Quick Quizzes, or build a taste for fresh fruit and vegetables using our family activities and advice specially designed for the weekly shop or the dinner table. You can also explore our top Aldi recipe picks for cooking with children of different ages by checking out our Family Fun and Get Cooking articles.

Penponds has signed up and are collecting the stickers and there will be a box in reception to put them into. Thank you for your continued support. The web page link is www.getseteatfresh.co.uk

# The Power Maths characters

The Power Maths characters model the traits of growth mindset learners and encourage resilience by prompting and questioning children as they work. Appearing frequently in the Textbooks and Practice Books, they are your allies in teaching and discussion, helping to model methods, alternatives and misconceptions, and to pose questions. They encourage and support your children, too: they are all hardworking, enthusiastic and unafroid of making and talking about mistakes.

#### Meet the team!

Creative Flo is open-minded and sometimes indecisive. She likes to think differently and come up with a variety of methods or ideas.

'Let's try again.' 'Mistakes are cool!' 'Have I found all of the solutions?'

'Let's try it this way ...' 'Can we do it differently?' 'I've got another way of doing this!'

'I'm going to try this!" 'I know how to do that!' 'Want to share my ideas?" Determined Daxter is resolute, resilient and systematic. He concentrates hard, always tries his best and he'll never give up – even though he doesn't always choose the most officient methods!

> Curious Ash is eager, interested and inquisitive, and he loves solving puzzles and problems. Ash asks lots of questions but sometimes gets distracted.



Micow! Sparks the Cat

'What if we tried this ...?'

'Is there a pattern here?'

'I wonder ...'