

Weekly Newsletter

Autumn 2

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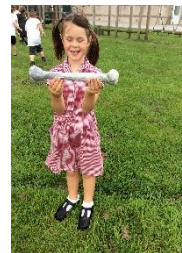
Curiosity, Creativity,
Confidence.

This week's focus: Topic based learning!

Dear Parents/Carers

What a busy week at school! I've been lucky enough to hear about snakes and lizards visiting Godolphin and Trencom class, French lessons in Tregonning class and finding out that Buzz Lightyear has crash landed in Carn Brea's garden. Violin and Keyboard lessons have also started across the school. By now all the children should have brought home topic grids which show how the teachers plan to link learning together to enthuse their classes and provoke curiosity and creativity. Your help in talking about the topics at home is invaluable and any books, objects or photos linked to the topics would be most welcome in school. Thank you for your continued support.

Adam Richards, Headteacher



Dates for your diary:

12th Oct – Harvest Festival
19th Oct – end of half term.
20th Oct – INSET day
21st Oct – INSET day
14th Nov – School Photos

Class Awards:

C1 – Gwyddion, Griffin and Indie-Rae

C2 – Bella and Tristan

C3 - Jayden and Maisy

C4 – Faith and Paul

Headeachers Award:

Hollie, Rosie and Holly

Attendance Trophy:

Godolphin and Trencom

Harvest Festival

Our annual celebration of Harvest Festival will take place in the school hall on **Wednesday 12th October at 1430**. The school will come together to celebrate and give thanks with each class contributing to the celebration and food collection. At the end of the assembly the Year 6 will auction off the food collection with the raised funds going to a charity chosen by the new school council. If you are able to donate any food items (preferably that will keep for a few weeks!) please send them into school with your child. Many thanks for your continued support.

INSET days

Five days are allocated to a school for the purpose of staff training and continuous professional development. School is closed to children on these days. Our remaining INSET days for this year are: **Thursday, 20th October, Friday, 21st October, Tuesday 3rd January, Wednesday 26th July.**

Car Parking

We are very lucky to have such a large, lit carpark on site available for parents and staff. If you are a car park user please REVERSE into a space as you park – this should help avoid any close encounters with pedestrians as you leave. Many thanks for helping with this important safety matter.

Vacancies

We are seeking a lunchtime supervisor to work Monday to Thursday from 12.00 to 13.15. This is a vital and fulfilling role during which time you'll get to know our wonderful children, encourage play and friendship and become part of our great team. If you are interested please see Mr Richards.

Paper Free office

We are aiming to reduce our photocopier bill and become a, 'paper free' office. One of the steps to achieving this is to email newsletters to parents instead of providing a hard copy. Over the next few weeks we will endeavour to start doing this, please email

secretary@penponds.cornwall.sch.uk to be added to the list. Of course, there will always be some paper copies available.

Twitter

The school now has its own Twitter handle, @Penponds_School. Soon, the classes will also be Tweeting about their learning. Unlike class dojo, Twitter is in the public domain. Your child will bring home a letter next week explaining how Twitter can be used in school.

**CLUBS**

Our clubs started this week. If your child would still like to join a club, simply email consent to Mrs Wood on secretary@penponds.cornwall.sch.uk. All clubs finish at 4.15pm. At the time of writing some clubs were under-subscribed and at risk of being cancelled – if you are considering a club please let the office know by the end of next week.

What is it?	Who is it for?	When is it?	What will my child need?	Who runs it?
AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS				
Tag Rugby	Y3–6	Monday Finishes at 4.15pm	Football boots old clothes/sports kit	Mr Richards
Surfing (£60.00)	Y5/6 (Max 7)	Tuesday/Wednesday Finishes at 6pm	Warm beach clothes Swim kit A healthy snack to keep them going!	Mr Richards and instructors See Mr Richards ASAP
Netball club	Y3-6	Thursday Finishes at 4.15pm	Sports kit Waterbottle	Miss Smith
Book club	YR-4	Tuesday Finishes at 4.15pm	n/a	Miss Berry
Street Dance	Y1-2	Thursday Finishes at 4.15pm	Sports Kit Waterbottle	Shanna from GO ACTIVE £20 for 5 weeks
Archery	Y3-6	Thursday Finishes at 4.15pm	Sports Kit Waterbottle	Luke from GO ACTIVE £25 for 5 weeks
Sports for tots	YR-2	Wednesday Finishes at 4.15pm	Sports Kit Waterbottle	External provider
LUNCHTIME CLUBS				
Film club	Y3-6	Monday lunchtimes	n/a	Mrs Lawlor
Football	Y3-6	Wednesday lunchtimes	Sports Kit Waterbottle	Mrs Watts
Cross country	Y3-6	Friday lunchtimes	Sports Kit Waterbottle	Mrs Watts