



Week 11: Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November

Diary Dates 2020-2021

### Speak to the Experts!

Another busy week comes to an end at Pennoweth and although we are whispering it, we are racing through this half term, with Christmas seeming just around the corner! As always, there will be events in class, and we remind you to book a Christmas Lunch for your child by Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November.

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### Drop Off, Collection, Social Distancing and Face Coverings

The one-way system continues to work well and allows for social distancing. Please maintain a 2-metre gap at drop off and collection times and wear a face covering unless exempt. In the morning, classroom doors open from 8:20am and close at 8:50am.

At the end of the school day, children can be collected from 3:10pm, with the latest collection being at 3:30pm.

### Attendance

Thank you so much for promoting and supporting good attendance across the school.

The school's current overall attendance is 96.1%.

### Contacting School

Please remember that you can contact us via email at [help@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:help@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk) for general enquiries, or use the phase emails below to contact class teachers:

[eyfs@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:eyfs@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk) (Nursery and EYFS)

[KS1@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:KS1@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk) (Years 1 and 2)

[lowerKS2@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:lowerKS2@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk) (Years 3 and 4)

[upperKS2@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:upperKS2@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk) (Years 5 and 6)

### EYFS Application for children born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017

If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017, please apply for your child's place in EYFS by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021. Click

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/> to access Cornwall Council's School Admissions site.

### After School Sports Club – Youth Sport Trust

Please remember that the Youth Sport Trust lead free 30-minute after school sports clubs every weekday at 5pm. Follow the YouTube link below to take part:

<http://www.youtube.com/user/YouthSportTrust>

### December

- Friday 11<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Jumper Day (for NSPCC)
- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> – Last day of term

### Christmas Break

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> December – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> January

### January 2020

- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> – First day of Spring Term
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> – EYFS Application Deadline

### February

#### Half Term

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February

- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Non-Pupil Day – School closed
- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Back to school

### April

- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> – Last day of term

### Easter Break

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April

### April

- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> – First Day of Summer Term

### May

- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> – May Bank Holiday

#### Half Term

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June

### June

- Monday 7<sup>th</sup> – Back to school

### July

- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Last day of term

### Summer Break

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> July

### Child Safety Talk

Can you please talk to your child about road safety and safety around the school car park. We have been made aware of some children running on to the school site and through the car park at the start and end of the day, which is a busy time, with lots of vehicles around. Please remind your child to use the paths where available.



### Who has been spotted...?

We are delighted to announce the latest recipients of our character qualities. Well done to the following children who have been spotted by staff!

Each character represents a quality we believe to be important not only in school and education but also in the wider community.

**Considerate** children are **thoughtful, caring, sympathetic, helpful, polite, attentive, mindful** and **patient**, amongst other qualities.

If a child is **inquisitive**, they are **curious, inquiring, questioning, intrigued** and **eager to know**.

Children who show they are **courageous** will be **bold, brave, valiant adventurous** and **determined**.

If a child is spotted as being **fun**, they will be **enthusiastic, excited, energetic, cheerful, light-hearted** and will **laugh!**

We also have our Stars of the Week, who have been classroom superstars and have showed a range of great qualities! Well done to the children chosen as this week's Star of the Week!

Quality	Children Spotted in EYFS and Key Stage 1	Children Spotted in Key Stage 2
Considerate 	Pendennis: Jamie Restormel: Georgie Tintagel: Zakary Porthcurno: Eleanor Gwithian: Archie Marazion: Elsie	Newlyn: Scarlett Porthleven: Bea Mevagissey: Henry Pendeen: Exodus Lizard: Rio Godrevy: Mia
Inquisitive 	Pendennis: Holly Restormel: Ben Tintagel: Natalya Porthcurno: Joseph Gwithian: Isla Marazion: Freddie J	Newlyn: Harley C Porthleven: Ana Mevagissey: Walter Pendeen: Oliwia Lizard: Harry Godrevy: Dylan
Courageous 	Pendennis: Lola Restormel: Tianna Tintagel: Archie Porthcurno: Nicola Gwithian: Rizzick Marazion: Jayden	Newlyn: Maddie Porthleven: Brooke Mevagissey: Daisy Pendeen: Sienna Lizard: Rhys Godrevy: Ethan
Fun 	Pendennis: Ethan Restormel: Noah Tintagel: Lilly G Porthcurno: Cory Gwithian: River Marazion: Blaise	Newlyn: Piran Porthleven: Dovydas Mevagissey: Amber Pendeen: Yeshua Lizard: Finley Godrevy: Tia
	Restormel: Jax Tintagel: Natalie Porthcurno: Kairi Gwithian: Layla Marazion: Izzy	Newlyn: Austeja Porthleven: Brandon Mevagissey: Amelia Pendeen: Dominic Lizard: Zennor Godrevy: Ollie

### Pupil Premium Update

We will be processing an updated application for Pupil Premium Funding to Cornwall Council on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December. All children will be part of this process. Your child may not necessarily be entitled to Free School Meals (this is different to the Universal Free School Meal Entitlement, which all children receive from EYFS – Year 2). However, your child may be entitled to Pupil Premium Funding, which in turn, secures additional money for our school. If you have received a Pupil Premium form, please complete all sections and return to your child's class teacher as soon as possible. If you do not wish for your details to be included in this application process, please contact the school office by no later than Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December. Many thanks for your continued support.

### Online Apps (Roblox and Cunch Line Chronicles) – Please Monitor

The police have made us aware that **Roblox** now has a feature allowing images to be sent to children. A new game, **Cunch Line Chronicles**, is available and focuses on gang culture and drug trafficking. Please monitor your child's use of apps and online activity.

### **Unauthorised Exceptional Leave of Absence Information**

The law requires parents and carers to ensure their children receive an efficient full-time education, and every minute of every day is important. Please help them not to miss any of this valuable time.

We hope that when you have read the information outlined on our website, you will consider that your child's education is too important to take holidays during term time.

***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 £60 if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after this but within 28 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may result in legal action. Absence not authorised by the school may 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. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court.***

### **Unauthorised Late Marks Information**

If your child is arriving late, after 8:50am this will be recorded as Late (L). If your child arrives after the register has closed at 9:10am, this will be recorded as an Unauthorised Absence (U). If your child accrues 10 Unauthorised Absences within 100 sessions (10 weeks) you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996.

Persistent absence/unauthorised lates, not authorised by the school, may result in a prosecution in the Magistrates Courts, leading to fines up to £2500 and/or custodial sentences.

### **Child Absence**

Please do contact us as soon as possible if your child is going to be absent from school. Messages can be left on the answer phone if your call is not taken.



### **Early Years Update – Childcare Survey**

For any parents and carers with children in the Early Years. Please scroll down for information regarding the Early Years Update and the childcare survey. The Survey closes on Sunday 20 December 2020.



## Message regarding:

## Early Years Update 23.11.2020

Dear Colleagues

A very important message to share with you today – the launch of the Childcare Survey for 2020. We would hugely appreciate your support in sharing with all of your families and the wider community. The responses we receive will further help us to understand what provision looks like in Cornwall and how it has been affected by all things Covid related. We recognise too that families may respond differently at this time due to restrictions for example on what can / cannot be provided during Lockdown and going forward. We want to capture as much feedback as possible and particularly from our more vulnerable families.

Your support therefore is absolutely key so please share the survey information as widely as possible. Thank you for your help.

## Childcare Survey 2020

A key part of our childcare and early years duties is ensuring that families can access good quality childcare where and when they need it. We have now launched our Childcare Survey 2020 for families of children up to age 14 (or 18 for children with disabilities) to let us know their needs and experiences in this area. The survey should only take ten minutes to complete and can be found at the link below:

[Childcare Survey](#)

We would be grateful if you could share the survey with the families you work with. Anyone completing the survey can also choose to enter a prize draw to win one of several fantastic family activities generously donated by local businesses and attractions!

**The Survey closes on Sunday 20 December 2020.**

## Free childcare for 2 year olds

Just to give you the 'heads up' – we will shortly be writing to all our families identified by DWP who have not taken up their entitlement for 2 year old funded places. The letter families receive will tell them that they are eligible for a funded place and what to do next.

Thank you in advance for any help / support you provide to families who may contact you about their entitlement. More information to follow.

## FAQs – Early Years

The FAQs section for Early Years in relation to the ongoing national restrictions has been updated by Foundation Years.org.uk and can be found here;

[Early Years FAQs 23 November 2020](#)

Kind Regards

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