

**PENSILVA PRIMARY SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER**

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Achieve your dreams (Pensilva Pathway)

Busy Week at Pensilva School

Congratulations to Pensilva's Hockey Team!

Last Thursday the children attended another hockey match. They played games against Callington losing 2-1, Dobwalls B winning 3-1 and Polperro winning 5-0

I was very proud to be with the children and witness their great team work and sportsmanship! We are looking forward to the results of this week's games.



Well done to Rowan, Ethan, Nathan, Matthew S, Emily, Hermione H and Charlie.



This Monday the Reception class visited Trevallick's Farm Shop at the top of the village. It was quite a long walk for their little legs but they all coped really well and were very sensible on the road!

We visited the farm shop because we have created our own in the classroom and we wanted to see what sort of things were being sold. When we got there we were given a drink, had a look around the shop and saw some pigs! We are not sure we will be able to have pigs at our farm shop!

On the way back we saw 2 big tractors and a digger which made us all very excited. We had a lovely time and would like to say thank you to Trevallick's Farm Shop and all of the parents who joined us on our trip.

Miss Thomas

Our Harvest Festival will take place on Thursday 23rd October 2014 at Millennium House at 2pm. Children can be collected from Millennium House at 3.15.

There is a table in the school reception area for you to place your donations of food which will be distributed around the village.

A big thank you to the PSA for all their help



New School Dinner Menu

Your child will have brought home the new menu yesterday which will start Monday 3rd November.



Attendance and lateness

20th - 22nd October 2014

Attendances 92.75%

Authorised absences: 2.93%

Unauthorised absences: 0.25%

Late arrivals: 0.13%

(Figures may not total 100% due to rounding)

R	95%
Y1/2	91.67%
Y3	100%
Y4/5	96.77%
Y5/6	100%

Congratulations to Year 3 and Year 5/6 for having the best attendance for the week.

Please ensure that your children arrive on time as we start promptly at 8.55am. Thank you for your support in this.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



23-10-14	Halloween Cake Competition	05-01-15	Spring Term begins
23-10-14	Harvest Festival 2pm Millennium House	13-02-15	Non Pupil Day
23-10-14	Halloween Disco	16-02-15	Half Term
24-10-14	Non Pupil Day	23-02-15	Back to school
27-10-14	Half Term	17-03-14	Class Photos
03-11-14	Back to school	27-03-15	Finish for Easter
05-11-14	Y3 Trip to Fifteen Restaurant	13-04-15	Summer Term begins
26, 27, 28 Nov	Preschool Christmas Fayre	04-05-15	Bank Holiday
01-12-14	Craft Day with St Cleer & Blisland	25-05-15	Half Term
12-12-14	Preschool Christmas Performance Millennium House	01-06-15	Back to school
16-12-14	Xmas Performances Mill House	05-06-15	Non Pupil Day
17-12-14	Chartwells Christmas Lunch	23-07-15	Break up for the Summer
19-12-14	Finish for Christmas		

Centenary Club Draw

Cash prizes every month. For an annual fee of £12 your name will be entered into the monthly draw.

The more who signs up the greater the winnings will be. Forms available in the office reception area.

Swimming pool meeting to be held on Thursday 20th November 2014 at 7.30 at Pensilva school. Everyone welcome.

Halloween Cup Cake Competition

Please bring in your entries tomorrow. There will be a prize for each year group. Cakes will be sold after the Harvest Festival.



Halloween Disco



Thursday 23rd October in the school hall

KS1 6-7pm

KS2 7.30-9pm

Farewell...

Mrs Doney will be leaving Pensilva School at the end of this week. We wish Mrs Doney all the very best for the future.

New Appointments

Miss Lucy King will be joining us from the 3rd November in Year One/Two and Miss Louise Halliday will join us after Christmas to take over from Miss Goodey in Y5/6 when she leaves.

Cross Country Race - 17th October 2014

The first cross country event of the season was held at Great Trethew last Friday. Pensilva turned out a full team of 24 runners who all gathered at the top of a very windy hill ready to show what they could do.

We had some fantastic results including Isobel T who came 4th and Will B who came 5th (despite the torrential rain which started just as the Year 5/6 runners set off). Each race had over 100 runners from lots of different schools around South East Cornwall so we should be very proud of them all.

Some of the children were running their very first race and seemed to enjoy the experience.

Well done to all of the team. The next race will be on 21st November (venue to be confirmed).

Pensilva to invest in new technology

The Finance and Buildings Committee met this week and it was decided to purchase 30 iPads for the children and 5 iPads for the teachers.

Investment in Apple technology will broaden the children's use of IT and with the fantastic array of educational Apps available, these devices will be able to support curriculum in many ways.



Message from the Liskeard and Looe Policing Team
Halloween and Bonfire Night

Have fun and stay safe

I would appreciate if you could pass on the annual safety advice below, as appropriate. There has historically been a small increase in the number of reports about anti-social behaviour and concerns for young people at this time of year but I am hopeful that any such reports in our area are, as usual, minimal.

Whilst I realise that not all schools encourage or participate in Halloween-based activities I would respectfully ask that the general safety messages are passed on to your pupils at assemblies. Please feel free to use these messages in any newsletters you plan to send home to parents. Please contact me if you wish any further information or advice.

Halloween

Always be accompanied by an adult when you are trick-or-treating
You should only go to houses of people that you know and are happy for you to call - do not call at any address displaying a poster requesting no trick-or-treaters!

- Stay safe, keep to places that you know and are well lit. Do not take short cuts through gardens
- Watch out for traffic - drivers may not see you
- If you are wearing a mask, make sure you can see where you are going and stay aware of your surroundings
- It is sensible to carry a torch and a fully-charged mobile phone (if you have one)

Bonfire Night

- Attend an organised event to see the best fireworks and enjoy bonfire night responsibly
- Don't fool with fireworks - every year hundreds of young people are, sadly, injured and scarred for life.
- Be responsible for your actions and be aware of how your behaviour could affect other people in the community
- It is an offence for anyone under 18 years to buy fireworks or have fireworks in any public place
- Fireworks will be confiscated from anyone aged under 18 years

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