



Pensilva Primary School

Working Together To Make A Difference

To Live

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Newsletter
2nd February 2024

I would like to start this week's newsletter with a thank you. Following last week's appeal, the parking situation outside school has improved. Thank you to all parents who have helped created a safer environment for pupils, parents and local residents.

I have been away at a national conference for the end of the week, which has been a highly valuable experience. A number of delegates are amazed at the opportunities which we are able to offer our children despite being a small team. Our ethos of inclusivity and understanding of children's needs has also shone through.

A theme of the conference has been creativity and inspiring children. On Wednesday I walked around the school and this was clear in abundance. Buzzards were actively taking part in a science lesson, Puffins were engrossed in learning about the Vikings, Doves had the musical

instruments out and Wrens were role playing different scenarios. As always I am hugely proud of what our small school can offer and how our children respond.



Pupils Of The Week Wrens – Thea



For her excellent effort in all her work

Puffins – Evan

For great resilience and determination

Buzzards – Grace

For fantastic setting description

Headteacher Award – Rhianna

For her constant enthusiasm towards learning

Cross Country – Good luck to our cross country team who are competing in the 4th race of the series this afternoon. The race also serves as a

| DATE | ACTIVITY | TIME | Notes |
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| 07.02.24 | IEP meetings | 3.30pm | Booking details to follow |
| 09.02.24 | INSET Day | All day | School closed to children |
| 12-16.02.24 | February Half Term | | |
| 20.02.24 | Girls football match vs Burraton | 3.45pm | Away match at Burraton. Leave school at 3.00pm. |
| 21.02.24 | Class Photos | All day | |
| 21.02.24 | Parents Evening | 3.30pm onwards | Details to follow |
| 22.02.24 | | | |
| 07.03.24 | Girls football match vs Dobwalls | 3.45pm | Home match as part of the East Cornwall league. |
| 14.03.24 | Buzzard's Life Skills Session | 12.30pm | Life skills session hosted by Liskeard Fire Station |
| 27.03.24 | Whole School Easter Performance | 2.00pm start | Millennium House |
| 28.03.24 | INSET Day | All day | School closed to children |

qualified for the county finals. We'll let you know how they get on in next week's newsletter.

Breakfast/After School Club – Please could all bookings for breakfast and after school club be made by Monday morning where possible. This helps us to assign staff and ensure we have sufficient snacks and activities for the children attending. We have seen an increase lately in children who have not been booked in, which has a knock on effect on our provision.

Menu Change – On Thursday 8th February, we will be holding a Chinese New Year themed lunch menu. Please see the flyer below for information.

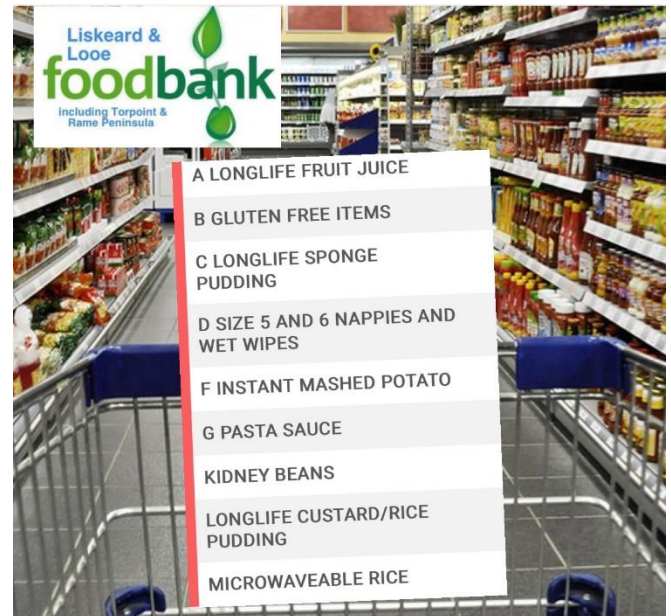


Sports Day – Advance warning – sports day will take place on Thursday 6th June. Further details regarding timings will follow in due course. The following day – 7th June – will be a non-pupil day.

Liskeard Food Bank – Following our recent session with Liskeard Food Bank, please see the details below of items which are in demand by

the food bank.

Also attached is a reminder of the online cookery course currently being offered. This is a worthwhile experience and provides an opportunity to learn to cook a range of meals for the family.



Collection Arrangements – Please could parents/carers inform school if anybody other than named contacts will be collecting children at the end of the day. Recently, there have been a number of instances of children being collected by friends and school had not been notified. In such cases, we cannot dismiss the child until we have confirmation from a parent/guardian. This can cause distress for the child and also create an uncomfortable situation for whoever is collecting and staff.

Parents Evening/IEP Meetings – Thank you to everyone who has already booked an appointment. If you are attending an IEP meeting, there is no need to attend a separate parents evening appointment.