



Pensilva Primary School

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Newsletter
26th January 2024

What a week it has been. As you may have noticed, there have been a number of staff and children off ill this week. It really has been a team effort by everyone to make this week happen. Thank you as always for your support in getting the children into school.



Pupils Of The Week

Wrens – Jaxon

For his fantastic effort



Doves – Kitty

For her incredible setting description

Puffins – Reuben

For working hard to improve his presentation

Buzzards – Lilly

For her focus in English lessons

Headteacher Award – Lowenna

For fantastic reading

Car Parking – Over recent weeks there has been an increase in inconsiderate parking outside the school. This has included blocking drive ways and parking on pavements. This has led to potential safety issues for parents and children crossing the road, as well as inconveniencing our neighbours.

In light of this, please could parents refrain from parking directly opposite the school. Please consider where you park when dropping off and collecting and whether there are alternatives means of travelling to school – especially as the weather begins to warm up.

Parents Evening – Bookings are now open for parents evening on February 21st and February 22nd. For children with an Individual Education Plan, the meetings will take place on Wednesday 7th February. There is no need to attend a parents evening session as well as the IEP meetings.

Cross Country – Last Friday, our cross country team travelled to Cotehele for the 3rd race of the season. Each and every one of the team showed incredible determination to get around the course. Many finished with their best result of the season and all finished with a smile on their face. Congratulations to all of our runner for representing our school in such a positive manner.

The next race of the season takes place next Friday at Landrake Moto-X. I'm sure you will join with me in wishing our runners good luck.



Girls Year 3&4

1 – Emilia
23 – Kensa
96 – Poppy
100 – Indigo
104 – Iris

Boys Years 3&4

43 – Jake
50 – Dexter
92 – Alfie
94 – George
98 – Reagen
125 – Eric
126 – Luke

Girls Years 5&6

21 – Alice
22 – Ailla
81 – Grace
82 – Lilly
87 – Ruby
96 – Beatrice

Boys Yea5&6

97 – Bradley
109 – Dylan

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>Notes</u>
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

Social Media – A number of parents have expressed their concern at social media posts made by other parents regarding the school or their children. This issue was discussed at our most recent governors meeting and guidance for parents included in our Social Media policy.

Although social networking sites may appear to be the quickest and easiest ways to express frustrations or concerns, it is rarely appropriate to do so. It is also important to remember that such posts may be in the public domain and can be shared by others, thus adding to the distress caused. Queries, concerns and complaints should be made to the school directly via telephone or email. Details of our complaints policy can be found on our website.

The school considers the following examples to be inappropriate uses of social networking sites.

- Making allegations about pupils at the school.
- Making complaints about the school/staff
- Posting comments about specific pupils/staff at the School.

- Posting comments considered to be of national, racial, sexual or religious hatred.
- Posting comments which threaten violence.
- Posting comments that are likely to be divisive, offensive or inflammatory, such as hate speech, terrorism and other illegal or immoral activities.

The School will always try to deal with concerns raised by parents in a professional and appropriate manner and understands that parents may not always realise when they have used social networking sites inappropriately. Therefore, as a first step, the School will usually discuss the matter with the parent to try and resolve the matter and to ask that the relevant information be removed from the social networking site in question. If issues persist, then the school may take subsequent action.

Measles – As you may have seen in the media, cases of measles are currently rising. Please see the attached information from Cornwall Council.



Measles is circulating, it is serious, very infectious and can cause complications.

Especially for those with a weakened immune system, babies under one year and pregnant women.



You need **two doses of MMR vaccine** to protect you, see your **GP practice** to make an appointment.

It is never too late to have your MMR.

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the safest way to protect your child



Sterts - Finding Nemo Auditions: Auditions for those aged 7 to 18 will take place, at Sterts Studio, on:

- Saturday 10th February 10am to 12pm - Nemo, Dory, Marlin and Crush
- Saturday 10th February 1pm to 3pm - Workshop for ensemble and featured roles
- Sunday 18th February 1pm to 3pm - for those who cannot make Saturday 10th and Call Backs

You must be 7 by 10th February 2024 and under 18 on 28th May 2024 to audition. Please use the following link to access the audition information and registration form:
www.stertsfindingnemo.site

Rehearsals will be on Sunday afternoons 2-5pm at Sterts Studio. Performances: evening performances on 29th, 30th, 31st May and 1st June, plus a matinee performance on the 1st June, at Liskeard School.

ARGYLE COMMUNITY TRUST

FEBRUARY HALF TERM ROADSHOWS

EAST CORNWALL/NORTH DEVON FEBRUARY 2024 | 9.30AM-3.30PM (UNLESS STATED)
BOYS & GIRLS ALL ABILITIES AGED 5-15

BOOK NOW!

MONDAY 12TH
St Joseph School, Launceston
St Joseph School, Launceston (Mini Pilgrims)
Lanivet Community Hub

TUESDAY 13TH
Dobwalls Football Club
St Teath Football Club
Mount Kelly College Tavistock - Main Campus

WEDNESDAY 14TH
Tregadillett Primary School
Holsworthy YFC

THURSDAY 15TH
Saltmill 3G, Saltash

FRIDAY 16TH
Polperro Football Club
Bude Football Club

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Book now 01752 522202
www.officialsoccerschools.co.uk/argyle/courses.html

www.argylecommunitytrust.co.uk

Dear parent/guardian,

Measles is currently circulating in England, and we expect that we will soon start seeing measles outbreaks in Cornwall. Measles outbreaks happen when not enough children have been vaccinated.

Measles can be a very serious disease, leading to ear and chest infections, fits, diarrhoea, and damage to the brain. Measles can kill.

Getting vaccinated

Your child is at risk of measles if he or she hasn't had the measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccination.

Two doses of MMR vaccine are needed to get the best protection.

If your child is due to have had 2 doses of MMR but has not yet received them, no matter what age they are, you should contact your GP to get them vaccinated as soon as possible. MMR vaccination is free.

If you can't remember if your child has had any, 1 or 2 doses of MMR vaccine, check his or her personal child health record (the Red Book). If this doesn't help, speak to your GP.

If you don't know how many doses your child has had, it's better to have 2 doses of MMR vaccine now rather than risk leaving them unprotected.

What to do if your child has symptoms

Symptoms of measles include fever, sore red eyes, and rash. Measles often starts as cold like symptoms. If your child has cold like symptoms but no fever they can still attend school. [School attendance](#) is vitally important to childrens' learning and health. If your child has been vaccinated, it's very unlikely that they have measles.

If your child has measles they should stay off nursery or school for at least 4 days from when the rash first appears, and avoid close contact with babies and anyone who is pregnant or has a weakened immune system. If you are worried about your child contact your GP or 111.

For further information see

- [MMR \(measles, mumps and rubella\) vaccine - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)
- Measles is circulating leaflet [Measles leaflet English \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://publishing.service.gov.uk)
- [What to do if you think your child has measles and when to keep them off school - The Education Hub \(blog.gov.uk\)](https://blog.gov.uk)

Best wishes,

Cornwall Council Public Health Protection team

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ChatHealth Parent Line 5-19

School Nursing messaging service for parents and carers of children and young people 5-19 years in Cornwall and Isles of Scilly

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We might inform someone if we were concerned about your safety but we would usually speak to you first. Messages are stored and can be seen by other health care staff who follow the same confidentiality rules. We aim to reply within 48 hours and you should get an immediate reply to confirm we have received your text. **Texts will not be seen outside working hours.** If you need help before you hear back from us contact your GP, nearest walk-in centre or dial 111. Our text number does not receive voice calls or MMS picture messages. We support messaging from UK mobile numbers only (not including messages from landlines, international numbers and some mobile apps). To prevent Chat Health from sending messages to you, text STOP to our number. Messages charged at your usual rates.

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FUN RUN



SUNDAY 25TH FEB 2024
10am @ Millpool Centre

£3 entry

all proceeds to **Cornwall Air Ambulance**

- ▶ Route approximately 1 mile
- ▶ Book & pay online @ https://www.sientries.co.uk/event.php?elid=Y&event_id=12475
- ▶ Early booking advisable - NO ENTRIES ON THE DAY
- ▶ More info @ Facebook/looe10miler
- ▶ Sign in & collect race number from 9am
- ▶ Warm up @ start line
- ▶ Suitable for age 4 - 14 (Under 7's must run with someone 18+)
- ▶ Children must be registered & collected by someone 18+

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