

PENSILVA PRIMARY SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER
Friday 8th September 2017

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To Live, To Love, To Learn

Welcome Back!

Welcome to the start of a new school year; the children seem to have settled quickly into their new classes and have made a positive start.

The whole school, cross-curricular topic for this half term is **Fairytales** and staff and pupils are showing a wonderfully creative approach. Tamar class will be including cooking, map designs, role play and puppet making in their work. They are also planning to invite their parents / carers in to watch them perform a musical Fairytale in assembly. In Loveny, pupils will be looking at the story of The Three Billy Goats Gruff and will include designing and making bridges within their work. Lynher class are creating puppets in Design Technology and writing "twisted Fairytales" - rewriting the traditional tales, with interesting twists. They are going to be entertaining our youngest children in Tiddy class with their stories and puppets. Tiddy class are also making puppets and will be able to entertain Year 6 too! It has been lovely to see how well our new Early Years children are getting on and to see them enjoying the role-play areas and other activities within the class.

Other things to look forward to this half term include a visit from the children's author, Jill Murphy and surfing for Year 6! What an exciting start to our year!

Diary Dates Sept/Oct

13-09-17 Author Jill Murohy

18-09-17 Swiss Students visiting

25-09-17 Marjon Student Miss
Chalk starting placement

28-09-17 callington community
college Open Morning

03/10/17 Callington Community
College Open Morning

16-10-17 School Photos

Term Dates for 17/18

23-10-17 Half Term

30-10-17 Back to School

20-12-17 Last Day of Term

04-01-18 Back to School

12-02-18 Half Term

19-02-18 Back to School

29-03-18 Last Day of Term

16-04-18 Back to School

07-05-18 May Bank Holiday

28-05-18 Half Term

04-06-18 Back to School

07-06-18 Non Pupil Day

Cross Country Club starts Friday 22nd

Calling all runners....Autumn term means the start of the Cross Country Club here at school. The club is open to KS2, and it takes place every Friday, after school until 4pm. The club is for runners who wish to run for fun, or for those who are interested, there are a series of 5 races which take place throughout the Autumn, Winter and Spring months. A large number of East Cornwall schools take place, in beautiful settings such as Cotehele, Boconnoc and Great Trethew. Children run in age categories and the year 3/4's run one mile, with the year 5/6's running two miles. There are medals for those who finish three or more races. As a school we have always put up strong teams and children always come home muddy but with big smiles!

I hope to see lots of runners on Friday 22nd, so come along, join in and have fun!

(Parent help is always appreciated, please speak to me if you are interested-DBS check is required),

Lucy Thomas

School Clubs

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Lunch Time			Mathletics KS2 Max 15 places 12:30—1pm	Construction Club KS1 Max 15 Places 12:30—1pm	Colouring Club Max 15 places 12:30—1pm
After School		Choir 3:15—4pm max 25 places priority to existing members. 19th September start Hockey KS2 3:15—4pm 19th September Start	SATs Club Yr 6 only 3:15—4:15pm	KS2 girls and boys football 3:15—4:15 Football boots and shin pads compulsory	Cross Country KS2 3:15—4pm (22nd Sept Start) Multi-skills Yr1 & Yr2 3:15—4pm

Pensilva Primary School after School/Lunchtime

Name of child.....

Class.....

Choir KS2 Yes/No KS2 Hockey Yes/No KS2 Athletics Yes/No

SATs Club Y6 Yes/No KS2 Football Yes/No Colouring Club Yes/No

Cross Country Yes/No

Name of parent.....

Signature.....

Date.....

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Signature.....

Date.....

Lost Property.

There is a lot of unclaimed lost property left over from last year; this has now been bagged up and is in the school office. If you think any of the items may be yours please could you come to the office and have a look. If there are any items left on Friday 22nd September these will be recycled.

This does not include any lost property that has started to gather from this year, that is in the lost property bucket.

Thank you to those of you who all ways ensure that items are named. Please could everyone try to name all items to keep lost property to a minimum.

Secondary School Admissions

The Deadline date for applying for secondary school for next year is 31st October 2017
www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

Mobile Phones-Reminder

This is a reminder that we have a **no mobile phone policy** at Pensilva Primary School, that extends to Parents, carers, visitors and staff.

As most mobile phones are now equipped with cameras this makes them a safe guarding issue. Our priority is the safety of our children.

Reading Challenge

The reading challenge will start again from next week involving all classes except Tiddy. Each child needs to read at least 3 times a week at home ;their reading book must be signed to show evidence of this. Let's work together to see a real improvement on last years figures.

Messy Church

St Johns Church Pensilva will be holding a 'Messy Church' on Sunday 24th September .

Please call Geoff Cox on 01579 362698 to pre book your place.

The Facebook logo, consisting of the word "facebook" in white lowercase letters on a blue rectangular background.

We now have a school Facebook page called 'Pensilva Primary School'. Please 'like' and share our page with family and friends.



The aim of the page is to be another means for sharing information and reminders with you, as well as to share the children's successes and achievements. We would love you to share your positive comments on any posts. As always, if you have any concerns or questions please address these directly through the school so they can be dealt with swiftly and in person, as staff will not be making additional comments via the page. We look forward to embracing this new means of communication with many of you, but also would like to remind you that our website, newsletters and text service are still available too.

Mr Jones



Mr Jones, our P.E teacher, was very busy during the summer holidays and competed in an Ironman Triathlon in Quebec, Canada. The event consisted of a 2.4 mile swim, a 112 mile cycle and a 26.2 mile run. He had a personal best of 11hrs 40 mins and 40 seconds.

Well done to Mr Jones from everyone at Pensilva Primary School.

Rainy Mornings

At this time of the year there are often mornings when it is too wet to wait outside till the morning bell, on these mornings we will open the school to let the children straight into class. Parents of our younger children, in Tiddy class, who wish to escort their children into class can enter via the back door of the classroom.

The other children will enter through the side door near the pergola. We would ask that adults say goodbye to their children at the door rather than enter the school this way. If you need to speak to a member of staff please walk around to the front office where our secretary will be happy to help.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause, we do however need to ensure the safety of our children and for fire safety regulations we need to be able to be aware of who is in the building at all times and therefore any adults entering the building need to sign in at the front office.

Thank you to everyone for your co-operation with this matter.

Attendance

Tiddy	99.6%
Loveny	100%
Warleggan	97.4%
Tamar	100%
Lynher	99.6%

Well done Loveny and Tamar for this week's highest attendance!