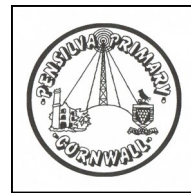


Pensilva Primary School Newsletter

To Live, To Love, To Learn

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Friday 15th July 2022

Wrens class

In Wrens class this term we have done lots of work on animals and their habitats. This week we have been learning about micro-habitats (small habitats) and the animals that might live there. We went into the wildlife area and the field and used the hoops to mark out our own micro-habitat. We then used a tally chart to record how many minibeast we could see in our micro-habitats. After we had done that we used our maths skills to make a pictogram to represent this information.



In the afternoon we went back into the wildlife area and made our own micro-habitats using flowerpots. We are hoping lots of mini-beasts make their home in our micro-habitats

Doves class

This week Doves have been learning about capacity and volume in maths. They have had great fun using mathematical language to describe, order and compare the volume of different containers.



Puffins class

This week in art we have been studying the artist Georgia O'Keeffe (1887-1986) She was born in Wisconsin USA. She was one of seven children, and her mother encouraged Georgia's interest in art. The landscape in Wisconsin was very important to Georgia, which became evident in her later work. She studied at the Art Institute of Chicago and had her first gallery show in 1916. We used a pencil to draw the outline of a flower, making it really big and then used colouring pencils to shade it.



Buzzards class

On Wednesday 13th, the Year 6s went on a trip to Woodlands, which is the largest family theme park in Devon! We all had a great time. We went to an area called the 'Ninja Zone' which was a huge climbing apparatus full of nets and other things as well as multiple slides you could use.

After that, we went on the ride 'Tornado'. This was what you call a toboggan ride. You basically sit in a small one-man carriage with a lever at the front, which is a brake. This was one of my favourite rides because each carriage had its own funny name – my one was called Ronaldo!

I had an amazing time, and I feel very lucky that we got to go!

By Will Yr6 [Will's full recount can be read alongside photographs on the Woodlands Gallery Page]

Dates
for your
DIARY

Tuesday 19th July—KS2 production at 1.30pm of Roald Dahl's Goldilocks and the Three Bears

Wednesday 20th July—KS2 production at 6pm of Roald Dahl's Goldilocks and the Three Bears

Friday 22nd July—Year 6 leavers assembly at 9.15am in the school hall

Friday 22nd July—last day of term

Monday 25th July—INSET day. School closed

Tuesday 26th July—Platinum Jubilee (taken in lieu of 3rd June). School closed

Monday 5th September—start of the Autumn term. INSET day. School closed

Tuesday 6th September—all children return to school

Attendance

Wrens 87.5% Doves 90.71% Puffins 95.79% Buzzards 98%

Can we please ensure that all children have sun cream applied before coming to school and bring a water bottle and hat with them. School provides sun cream for children during the school day.

Upcoming menu changes

Tuesday 19th July

Pork sausages or Quorn burger with chips, peas and sweetcorn. Orange shortbread or fruit or yoghurt.

Friday 22nd July

Chicken goujons or Quorn sausages with chips, beans and peas. Jam doughnut or vanilla ice-cream.

School meal price increase

From September 2022, Chartwells have increased the cost of a school meal from £2.34 to £2.41 per meal. Please continue to make payments online via your SchoolMoney account.

The Year 6 children will be selling ice-creams in the back playground next Wednesday—Friday (or until all the stock is sold!).

On Wednesday 13th, twelve KS2 students were selected to go to a sporting event at Menheniot School. The first activity was a lap relay. The first person to run was Noah and he ran around the field and handed the baton to the next person and so on.

I was the last person to finish and we came 3rd in the lap relay. The second activity was a straight relay. Noah ran first and I ran last. We placed 2nd in the straight relay. After that, we did a straight sprint. Trinity and Cody ran in this sprint. Next, we did javelin throwing and Cody threw it the furthest. After, we did standing long jump and almost all of us landed on one and a half.



Next, we did a few rounds of tug of war. We won two and lost three. We went back to school on the mini bus and ate lunch.

By Thomas



Summer Reading Challenge

The **Summer Reading Challenge**, presented by The Reading Agency, is delivered in partnership with public libraries and funded by Arts Council England. The Challenge encourages children aged 4 to 11 to enjoy the benefits of reading for pleasure over the summer holidays, providing lots of fun as well as helping to prevent the summer reading 'dip'.

This year's Summer Reading Challenge theme is **Gadgeteers**, created in partnership with [Science Museum Group](#) and illustrated by top children's writer and illustrator Julian Beresford.

This year's theme 'Gadgeteers' will spark children's curiosity about the world around them. With resources and activities from the Science Museum Group, the Challenge focuses on inspiring children to see the science and innovation behind everyday objects, showing that reading and science are for everyone.

The Challenge and the accompanying book collection will show that imagination can unlock endless possibilities, and the library is where this starts. Through taking part in the Challenge, with free packs from public libraries or on the children's website, children will be able to join six fictional 'Gadgeteers.' The characters use their curiosity and wonder to understand the science behind a whole range of interests from fashion and technology to cooking and music.

Children can also join in the fun online, here on the official Challenge website: summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

You can find heaps of brilliant books to read through your local library or bookshop.

Borrowing books from your library

You can borrow books, eBooks and audiobooks to enjoy for free from your local library. Visit the <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/library-zone> and use the handy search to find library services in your area. Choose your nearest service and follow the link to their website, where you can find out more about joining and visiting your local library. You'll also be able to find information on your library's e-lending services, so you can borrow books while you're at home.

Websites and apps

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