PENSILVA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 13th September 2019

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To Live, To Love, To Learn



A very warm welcome back to everyone, with a special welcome to all our new parents and pupils. We hope you all had a lovely summer and feel refreshed after the long break. All children including the new reception class have settled well into their classes and have thoroughly enjoyed their first few days at school.

As ever, a busy term lies ahead; we are currently updating our website with dates and class information.

This term, our topic areas are focussing on collaboration. Harlyn class have certainly been working collaboratively organising and leading sporting activities for Polzeath class and supporting the children from Daymer class during lunchtimes.

Each class are doing different activities and learning linked to this. Class topic information will be available on the website next week.

Applying for a place in Reception class September 2020.

If you have a child born between 1st September 2015 and 31st August 2016 you need to apply for a place at school, even if your child attends a nursery.

Apply online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

Submit your application by 15th January 2020.

Applying for a secondary school place for September 2020.

Apply online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/ admissions

Submit your application by 31st October 2019.

The afterschool club is now up and running. It is available every day (term time only) after school from 3.15pm—6pm. The cost is £7 per session which includes drink and a snack.

If you do require after school care, please book your child in at the office at least 1 day in advance. It may be possible to book on the same day, subject to availability.





Let's Change Lives Together at Pensilva Primary Schools'

Coffee and Open Morning

Friday 27th September

School Hall 9.15-10.30am

We warmly invite all parents, friends, family members and the wider community to come and join us on Friday 27th September for a coffee and open morning. We kindly ask children to bring in any cake and biscuit donations for the event (please note - no nut containing products due to allergies in school). Classes and the school will be open for visitors to look around and see the work children are learning.

We look forward to seeing you all. Please spread the word.

14-09-19 Pensilva Show
19-09-19 CCC Open Evening
23-09-19 CCC Open Morning
27-09-19 Macmillan coffee and pen morning
02-10-19 Callington Honey Fair
18-10-19 Harvest Festival at Millennium
House. 2pm start
18-10-19 Last day of term
21-10-19 to 25-10-19 Half term
28-10-19 Children return to school
29-10-19 Individual school photographs
31-10-19 Year 1 hearing screening
29-11-19 Reception to Year 6 flu jabs

12-12-19 Choir singing at the memory cafe

13-12-19 Christmas Jumper Day 16-12-19 KS1 and KS2 Xmas production 17-12-19 KS1 and KS2 Xmas production

- 18-19-19 Christmas Fair
- 20-12-19 Last day of term 21-12-189 to 05-01-20 Christmas Holiday
- 06-01-20 Back to school
- 14-02-20 Last day of term
- 17-02-20 to 21-02-20 February Half term

<u>Attend</u>	ance	Whole school Attendance 96.97%	Reading Challenge									
Daymer	91.85%	Authorised Absences	Each child needs to									
Polzeath	97.08%	3.03%	at least 3 times a v home; their reading									
Holywell	97.58%	Unauthorised Absences 0%	must be signed to s evidence of this.	show								
Harlyn	98.92%	Lates	Daymer 90%									
Well done		0.51%	Polzeath 52%	Well done to Daymer								
	this week's ttendance!		Holywell 68%	class!								
			Harlyn 55%									

Cross Country Club starts Friday 20th September

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 3/4s run 1 mile, with the year 5/6s running 2 miles. There are medals for those who finish 3 or more races. As a school we have always put up strong teams and children always come home muddy but with big smiles!

As some of our last years team members have now moved on to secondary school and Rachel Hollyman not being available every Friday due to study commitments, parent help would be greatly appreciated to support Clare Rogers in the training sessions this year. A DBS check is required. Please contact the school if you are interested.

After School Clubs	starting week commencing 16th September													
	Monday													
Chess:	12.30—1pm with Mrs Halliday. KS2 only.													
	Tuesday													
Board / Card Games:	3.15—4.15pm with Mrs Clinick and Mrs Moriarty. KS2 only. Max 12.													
Wednesday														
Construction:	3.15-4pm with Miss King. Limited to 15 places. Reception—Year 6.													
	Thursday													
Playground to 5km:	3.15-4pm with Mr Jones. Years 2-6 only. Catering for all abilities from beginners. Sessions will be a mixture of walking and jogging mainly on the road. A parent must accompany their child. The final week the aim is to complete 5km at Siblyback Lake.													
Friday														
Choir:	12.30-1pm with Mrs Rowe. Limited to 20 places on KS2 only.													
Cross-country:	3.15-4pm with Mrs Rogers and Mrs Hollyman. KS2 only.													
Multi-skills:	3.15-4.15pm with Plymouth Argyle. Reception—Year 2. Consent slips have already been completed.													
	Reply Slip													
l give permission for following clubs:	(name of child) to take part in the													
Chess Board / Card Games Construction Playground to 5km Choir	Yes/No Cross-country Yes/No Yes/No Multi-skills Yes/No Yes/No Yes/No													

Pensilva School PSA

What is the PSA?

Actually named Pensilva School "Parent Staff Association", we are a registered charity made up of volunteer parents, carers and staff who raise funds for the school. We are made up of a chairperson, secretary, treasurer and a committee of amazing volunteers.

Where do the funds go?

All the monies raised by the PSA goes directly to the school. Due to government funding being extremely tight it is necessary to bring in extra funds, we annually pay for coaches, class furniture, educational games and smaller items such as sun cream. This year we have funded two new reading corners, den building equipment, flags for sports events and electric crumble kits.

How are the funds raised?

There are three main fundraising periods; Christmas, Easter and Summer. At Christmas we hold a festive fair selling items the children have made along with a raffle and refreshments. Easter time a children's competition is arranged along with a raffle and refreshments. The summer fair is also very popular with games, bouncy castle & BBQ. Alongside these main fund raisers, we also hold smaller activities such as film clubs and cake sales. This year we raised an amazing £2778.58!

Interested in helping?

<u>Any</u> help is greatly appreciated, no experience necessary, it is all about fun and being involved in your child's school regardless of the skills you can bring to the group. Committee meetings are held every 4-6 weeks in the evening, if you wish you can take on a role or simply add some fundraising ideas. If you would like to help but cannot attend meetings please let us know, we would still value your help. It is important that the PSA continues, we know you are all very busy, but the hard work put in does enable all our children to have a better quality of life at school and is very rewarding.

We will be holding an informal chat on Tuesday 17th September 2019 in The Victoria Pub at 7.30pm, come along and see what it's all about! Please fill in the form below and hand it to the school office or alternatively email Vicki at <u>vickicornwall@aol.com</u> or call/text 07791549474

Name..... Telephone.....

Please tick as appropriate:

- I would like to be considered for a role (Chair, Treasurer, Secretary) I would like to become a committee member
- I don't want to be a member but would like to help at events

Fundraising ideas:

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