



Friday 26th March 2021

Dear All,

As you will know, this week has been **STEM Week** at Penpol and the children have been enthused by all things Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. Well done to all involved, not least our pupils who have brought so much energy to each activity.

Thank you all for the many donations to our **uniform appeal**. We now have a large number of items for most ages so please do hold off on any further donations for the time being. If you would like to receive any of these items for your children, please email Daphne in the office at dnidds@penpol.cornwall.sch.uk.



Chickens at Penpol!

Hello, my name is Ivan and I am in Year 6. I would like our children to learn as much as they can about farming and agriculture as I think it is an important part of living in Cornwall. I am proposing that we have chickens at Penpol and this is something I can leave as a legacy when I move onto secondary. In order for this to happen, we need the support of parents and we need to raise enough money to build a coop, pen and also buy the chickens!

If you would be interested in supporting us during the holidays with feeding them and making sure they are clean and safe, please could you reply to the text that will be sent out today. We can then keep your details and see if there is enough support to continue with the plan. I would also like to host a fund-raising day where we ask for donations to wear own clothes and the children learn about farming. A date for this will be sent out soon.

I have experience with chickens and think looking after animals is a really important lesson for children to learn.



Safety Update

- Thank you all for continuing to follow our safety measures on and off site. Please remember that morning drop-off runs from 8:45-9:10am and it is much **quieter towards the end of this time**. Please avoid arriving before 8:45 and do remind your children to walk slowly around site, keeping distance all the way.
- Lollipop Legend Margaret has noticed an increase in the number of pupils riding **bikes and scooters** whilst crossing the road. Please remember that these need to be pushed across carefully, rather than ridden.
- **Car parking** continues to present a challenge and we have received further complaints from neighbours about dangerous or obstructive parking. We understand that **parking attendants** will be returning more regularly to the area. If you do need to drive to school, please allow plenty of time for your journey so that you can park in a designated space away from the school site.



Next week is **Autism Awareness Week**. Many members of our Penpol community are autistic and we are hugely proud of all that they achieve. This important week is designed to shine a light on the work that must still be done to create a society which works for autistic people. More information

can be found here at the link below, including some fantastic resources to share with your child. <https://www.autism.org.uk/get-involved/raise-money/world-autism-awareness-week>.

Next week is also a shorter week at school and we **close for the Easter break on Thursday 1st April at 2pm, returning Monday 19th April**. The children have worked so incredibly hard so far this year and we hope that you are all able to look forward to some rest and relaxation together.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes,

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