



Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This week saw the return of **Year 6 SATs**: the first time children have been required to sit these statutory assessments since 2019. SATs are never our primary focus at Penpol as we are committed to providing our children with the extent of support and breadth of curriculum they need to thrive. However, the pupils have done a remarkable job this week and we could not be prouder of them. Well done all and a huge thanks to our Year 6 teaching and support team!

Thank you again for your support with our **uniform survey** earlier in the year. We discussed your responses with our governing body and will be making the following changes to our uniform policy:

- Ties will be optional on a permanent basis.
- Children can continue to wear button shirts **or** polo shirts.
- Children will be able to choose between jumpers **or** sweatshirts. Exhibit 1 will be stocking sweatshirts shortly and these will be at a slightly lower cost to our existing jumpers.

In order to make ordering uniform as straightforward as possible, Exhibit 1 will be happy to drop items to school for collection. Please contact them if this would be helpful for you.



If driving to school, please do plan ahead and **park in a designated parking space**. Local residents, including some with limited mobility, have sadly been blocked in at points recently and cars parked unsafely continue to put pedestrians at risk. The Asda carpark is a short walk away and has ample space for all. Thank you for your support.

In other safety news, please do take care with your children when onsite before and after school. In particular, please do avoid the **grassy bank below the Year 3 classrooms**, where a number of accidents have occurred. Thank you.



Year 2 pupils will be holding a **bake sale** on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May to raise money to support their forthcoming sleepover and camp. Don't forget to bring your pennies!

Finally, thank you all again for the positive response to our recent communications about **race and identity**. If you would like to get involved in our **Race Equality Taskforce**, please do let me know on [head@penpol.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:head@penpol.cornwall.sch.uk). Resources and videos shared so far can be found here: <https://www.penpolschool.co.uk/diversity-and-inclusion/>.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes,

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*“Penpol pupils are **curious, creative and courageous** learners. Our school community believes in **authenticity** as the foundations of **deep-rooted** learning. Through our **rich and relevant** curriculum, we nurture **community-minded, forward-facing** international citizens of the future.”*