



Friday 9th September 2022

Dear All

Many in our community will be saddened by yesterday's news of **The Queen's** passing. We held a minute's silence across the school this morning in order to pay our respects. In assemblies this afternoon, we will be remembering The Queen's life and her incredible seventy years of service. The news may be difficult for some children, particularly where it triggers memories of loved ones they may have lost. As ever, do let us know if you feel your child would benefit from any further support.



It is hard to believe that this is still the **first week of term**. Our pupils have been incredible, settling in so positively and demonstrating our school values each step of the way. Congratulations to everyone on all that you have achieved so far. It's going to be a great year! ☺

Hopefully you will have seen the letter regarding our **Meet the Teacher** sessions. If not, it can be found here: <https://www.penpolschool.co.uk/2022/09/08/meet-the-teacher/>. We understand that these timings won't work for everyone. If you would like to arrange a catch up or phone call at any point, please do get in touch. We look forward to seeing you and to continuing to work closely with you across the year and beyond.

We are in the process of planning a programme of **workshops** for parents and guardians based upon your responses to our survey last term. If you were not able to respond to the survey and there are any areas around which you would appreciate more support, please let us know via my email below. Thank you.

Thank you all for adapting to our new drop-off and collection times so swiftly. These now seem to be going very well and are allowing children to start the day in an even more settled and positive way. We understand that those collecting more than one child will take some time to move between classrooms – please plan the route which works best for you. A reminder of our timings is shown below:

Drop-Off and Collection Times	
08:40	Gates Open
08:45	Classrooms Open
08:50	Registers are Taken
15:10	Collection for Reception Pupils (when full time)
15:15	Collection for Years 1-6

Thank you very much to those of you who joined us at school **on a SUNDAY (!)** last week for our 'Taste of Cornish' session with Will Coleman. Forming a part of the Gorsedh celebrations, we had a lot of fun and learned some fantastic Kernewek words and phrases. We look forward to building upon our Cornish learning with the support Will and the team at Go Cornish! this year.

Thank you also to our brave volunteers who took part in the Gorsedh ceremony at Hayle Academy last Saturday. They each stepped up to the occasion brilliantly in the official role of **attendants**.

Our careers learning began in earnest this week, with a visit to Year 3 from an NHS doctor. We look forward to exciting opportunities ahead this year as children learn about the world of work in new and varied ways.

Finally, well done to those of you who entered Hayle Library's Summer Reading Challenge. If you're not quite there, there is still time; the challenge finishes at 12:30pm tomorrow. ☺

Wishing you all a restful weekend.

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