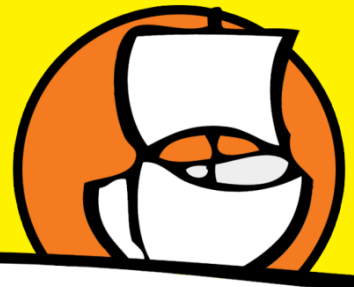


# Penpol School

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Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians,

What an incredible first week back we've enjoyed! The sun has shone often, the atmosphere has been joyous and your children have been very busy indeed.

Outdoor learning has been high on our agenda this week. Here's Class 10 enjoying a spot of **tennis** and demonstrating great progress all round. Meanwhile, Year 5 visited Tehidy Woods to experience **blindfolded trailing**, **orienteering** and **den building**. Impressive stuff!

More impressive still are the messages we are receiving consistently from external providers and members of the public about our pupils' **behaviour when out and about**. Without exception, Penpol pupils are demonstrating our Penpol values of friendship, honesty, respect, creativity, resilience and integrity in all that they do. We could not be prouder of them all.



Yesterday saw an incredible school-wide effort to raise vital funds for those affected by the recent earthquakes in southern Turkey and northern Syria. Our **Danceathon** has raised an incredible **£600** so far, all of which will be used by **Shelterbox** to provide desperately needed support. We were joined by the team from the charity in assemblies this afternoon to learn more about their invaluable work. Thank you to all involved yesterday, to our incredible pupils and to you for your generous donations, making such a difference to those most in need. Go Team Penpol!



I write this newsletter from my seat on a bus full of **Lego League** superstars! Currently on our way to Harrogate for the **National Finals**, we have 19 students on board ready to compete with the very best teams in the country. Both our Year 5 team (The Electric Lego Legends) and our Year 6 group (The Penpol Pumpkins) have been working hard since their competition at RNAS Culdrose and could not be better prepared for the competition **tomorrow (Saturday)**.

There will be a **live stream** of the whole day and you can tune in on YouTube from 9am here: [https://www.youtube.com/live/GC3a-u\\_gwk](https://www.youtube.com/live/GC3a-u_gwk). Both teams will be taking part in a live-streamed Robot Games match at some point during the day and proceedings will draw to a close from 3.20pm with a video package of the highlights, followed by an awards ceremony. You can read more about the teams' journey so far here: <https://www.penpolschool.co.uk/2023/03/18/penpol-compete-at-rnas-culdrose-in-the-first-lego-league/>. An inspiring read; we wish them all the very best of luck.



Thank you all for supporting our **Wake and Shake** sessions each morning. It is great to see lots of children getting stuck in. In order to help us prepare for the start of lessons, parents and carers are asked to keep the flow of traffic moving towards the gate please. Thank you!

We are still welcoming responses to our **nursery consultation**. To view our statutory proposal and to share your thoughts, please follow this link. <https://www.penpolschool.co.uk/nursery/>. We hope to be able to update you very soon.

And finally, we are currently **advertising for a SEND Teaching Assistant**. To view the advert, please follow the link here: <http://lhrc1a.rfer.us/CORNWALL4TB4TX>. Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you would like to find out more.

Best wishes for a relaxing weekend.

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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."