



Friday 19th May 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians,



Well, it's been a very busy week for our **Penpol Pumpkins**. A whirlwind of media appearances and some incredible generosity from so many in our community and beyond has rocketed their fundraising total beyond the 70% mark. Thank you so much to all

who have helped out here. In order to boost their funds further, the team and their entourage have organised a number of fundraising events which are detailed below. As ever, **please only contribute if it is comfortable for you to do so.** <https://www.penpolschool.co.uk/helpthepumpkins/>

Penpol Pumpkin Fundraising Events

- **Pumpkin Friday:** Next Friday 26th May will be an optional own clothes day at Penpol, with any orange items encouraged. All are welcome to wear non-uniform on the day and children are welcome to make a donation to the fund if they wish.
- **Name The Penguin:** Thank you to Blewetts Toy Store who have donated this lovely penguin. Tickets are on sale at the school office for £1 with the lucky name being drawn from a hat next Friday.
- **Pumpkin Fest:** Friday 2nd June, 3:30pm onwards at the Bird in Hand. Hosting music, food (including cakes), forest crafts, tombola and a very exciting raffle, the event will cost £5 for adults and is free of charge to children.
- **Thriff Fair:** Saturday 27th May, 10am – 4pm at the Old Foundry Chapel. Any donations are welcome.



This evening, we welcome our Year 5 travellers back from their three-day camp at **Mountbatten Activity Centre**. A fantastic time has been had by all and they are now safely on their train home. Well done to our pupils for making every moment count and a big thank you to our adults! Lots of pictures to follow of course. Next week, it is Year 6's turn as they travel to London. We wish them all an exciting adventure.

This week, our magnificent Year 2s have tackled their SATs papers. Happily, this is the last year that Key Stage 1 pupils will sit the SATs and they have risen to the challenge brilliantly. We could not be prouder of them all – **well done everyone!**

Stan Cross has worked at Penpol for two years now, supporting children with their learning across a number of year groups. Stan's calm and patient approach has provided a wonderful level of support for so many pupils. Today is his last day as he leaves, for the time being at least, to spend more time with his growing family. Stan – thank you for all that you have contributed to Penpol. We wish you and your family the best of luck and look forward to seeing you soon.



If you have visited **Hayle Train Station** recently, you might have noticed a very colourful waiting room. A number of our students, along with those from Bodriggy and Hayle Academies, worked with professional artists and the Tate St Ives to create this wonderful response to the increase in anti-social graffiti in the town. Well done to all involved!

As a part of our 360° Curriculum, every child engages in regular **citizenship** activities. Here's Class 10 tending to the flowerbed boats near Asda in preparation for some new planting. Great job all!

Finally, **next Wednesday** is our **Careers Fair**. We firmly believe that primary aged pupils are at the ideal point in their lives to become excited about their opportunities ahead and to make their dreams a reality.

- More information about the event can be found here: www.penpolschool.co.uk/2023/05/19/careers-fair-invite-summer-2023/
- You can see what we got up to last year here: <https://www.penpolschool.co.uk/2022/05/05/an-inspiring-afternoon-for-pupils-at-our-careers-fair/>



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."