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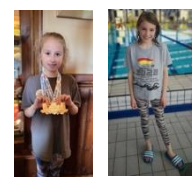
Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for your support with today's celebrations focusing upon the theme of 'friendship'. Although the rain tried to dampen proceedings, we were able to get out onto the field a little later in the day and the children had a fantastic time in their red, white and blue.

Congratulations to our Year 5 and 6 **swimming teams** who performed outstandingly well at this week's **Penwith Swimming Gala**. Of the 16 individuals' races, our students won 7 gold, 1 silver and 2 bronze medals. What an incredible haul! To round the day off nicely, each of our relay teams placed within the top three of their respective races also. Inspirational achievements all round. Go team Penpol!



Quite a number of our pupils were also involved in **Hayle Surf Life Saving's** fantastic performance at the **national finals** at the weekend. The team finished in second place overall – a testament to the hard work and commitment of all. Very well done to all involved.



Following our initial total of £600 raised from the recent **Danceathon**, your donations have continued to roll in and have now reached in-excess of **£1200!** Thank you all. Every penny will be shared with Shelterbox to support their vital work. To learn more about the event, please do follow this link:

<https://www.penpolschool.co.uk/2023/05/04/danceathon-2023/>.

Time flies when you're having fun and, incredibly, we find ourselves looking ahead to **KS2 SATs** week next week. We are hugely proud of our pupils' academic achievements and there is no doubt that their hard work will be rewarded with the strong attainment scores they deserve. However, as our pupils have reminded us so often recently, standardised testing captures only a snippet of what these children are really capable of.

Each of our Year 6 students has achieved incredible things this year – some visible, others not and often in the face of real adversity. Each of these accomplishments will serve them well for long into the future and we could not be prouder of them all.

So, to our Year 6 pupils, congratulations on all your achievements this year. Please do enjoy the bank holiday weekend (enjoying a good night's sleep on Monday of course), safe in the knowledge that you are amazing and that **you will move mountains**.

Best wishes,

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