



Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It's been another magnificently busy week at Penpol.

Our Year 5 and 6 **cricketers**, coached by Logan Curnow, took part in a Cricket Festival on Tuesday, performing excellently and placing second overall. Meanwhile on Wednesday, eight of Penpol's **footballers** took part in the inter-school football cup as honorary members of the Leading Edge team. All played brilliantly at this Cornwall-wide event, with the boys' team, coached by our very own Nic Stanlake, placing second overall. Well done to everyone involved in these and all sporting activities this week.



We are most grateful to a group of tech-savvy actors from Hayle Academy who visited Years 5 and 6 on Tuesday to present a series of modern fables on the subject of **social media**. This project was born from our joint contextual safeguarding work which has identified recurring patterns of dangerous behaviours involving social media across Hayle.



Often these patterns begin with children's earliest experiences of social media and **can be avoided**. Children may be fast becoming the technology experts at home. However, parents and guardians remain the safety experts. Regular and thorough oversight over all online activity is critical in keeping your child safe. If you would like any further advice here, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Huge congratulations are in order to all embarking on the **Year 4 camps** this week. Each and every pupil has challenged themselves to achieve something incredible, returning to school more confident and empowered than ever.

This is a busy time of year in schools for so many reasons and I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all staff involved in going above and beyond to make so many incredible opportunities possible.





As many of you will know, the **Penpol Pumpkins** are currently in America! They will, later today, be setting up their stand at the forthcoming international Lego League competition and we wish them all the very best of luck! Once again, we are hugely grateful to the generosity of so many people in making this happen for the team. Incredibly, our fundraising target was exceeded. This will allow us to build upon robotics learning for all at Penpol and to help other schools in the local area. You can keep up to speed with what the Pumpkins are up to here: <https://www.penpolschool.co.uk/pumpkinblog/>.

## Dates for your Diary

We have two special events on the horizon here at Penpol.

- **Free to be Me Day:** Following the resounding success of last year's event, we will be celebrating the uniqueness in us all once again on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July. This year, the event is being planned by our Diversity and Inclusion Taskforce who met with children in assemblies today to gather ideas. On the day, children will be invited to **wear a colour** which best represents them.
- **Scoliosis Awareness Day** is on **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June**. A number of children at Penpol have scoliosis yet, for many, this is a lesser known condition. We hope to change this by raising awareness for all and, in doing so, raising valuable funds for the Scoliosis Association. Children are invited to wear their own clothes, with any donations gratefully received.



September 2023							October 2023							November 2023						
Mon		4	11	18	25	Mon	2	9	16	23	30	Mon		6	13	20	27			
Tue	5	12	19	26	Tue	3	10	17	24	31	Tue		7	14	21	28				
Wed	6	13	20	27	Wed	4	11	18	25	Wed	1	8	15	22	29					
Thurs	7	14	21	28	Thurs	5	12	19	26	Thurs	2	9	16	23	30					
Fri	1	8	15	22	29	Fri	6	13	20	27	Fri	3	10	17	24					
Sat	2	9	16	23	30	Sat	7	14	21	28	Sat	4	11	18	25					
Sun	3	10	17	24	31	Sun	1	8	15	22	29	Sun	5	12	19	26				

  

December 2023							January 2024							February 2024						
Mon	4	11	18	25	Mon	1	8	15	22	29	Mon	5	12	19	26					
Tue	5	12	19	26	Tue	2	9	16	23	30	Tue	6	13	20	27					
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Sat	2	9	16	23	30	Sat	6	13	20	27	Sat	3	10	17	24					
Sun	3	10	17	24	31	Sun	7	14	21	28	Sun	4	11	18	25					

  

March 2024							April 2024							May 2024						
Mon	4	11	18	25	Mon	1	8	15	22	29	Mon	6	13	20	27					
Tue	5	12	19	26	Tue	2	9	16	23	30	Tue	7	14	21	28					
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Sun	3	10	17	24	31	Sun	7	14	21	28	Sun	5	12	19	26					

  

June 2024							July 2024							August 2024						
Mon	3	10	17	24	Mon	1	8	15	22	29	Mon	5	12	19	26					
Tue	4	11	18	25	Tue	2	9	16	23	30	Tue	6	13	20	27					
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Finally, our **INSET days** are finalised for next year. As shown on the calendar here in blue, the school will be closed to pupils on the following dates:

- September 4<sup>th</sup> 2023
- September 5<sup>th</sup> 2023
- October 20<sup>th</sup> 2023
- January 15<sup>th</sup> 2024
- July 24<sup>th</sup> 2024

Wishing you a restful 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."