



Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Well, here we are at the end of another hugely busy school year. Your children have been remarkable, astounding us every day with their **courage, creativity** and **curiosity**. Congratulations to each of our pupils. We wish you the most relaxing, fun-filled (and book-filled) summer. Special congratulations to our **Year 6 students**, all of whom have made the very most out of their final year in primary school, performing brilliantly in their SATs and, more importantly, flourishing in every way. They could not be readier for their next adventure and we look forward to hearing how they get on.

On behalf of us all at Penpol, I would like to thank you – our **parents, guardians, and community members** for your support and involvement in all that we do. We would not be the school we are without you and we look forward to doing it all again, and more, from September.

I would also like to thank the magnificent **Penpol staff team**. It is impossible to imagine a more committed and compassionate group of professionals and it is a real privilege to see the scope of work they do each day. I wish each of my colleagues a well-deserved rest and look forward to the adventures that await us in September.

Special thanks are owed to our very important people leaving our team this week. We have bid emotional good-byes to **Vicki Woolcock, Heather Gilman, Sarah Hampshire, Antoinette Anthoney, Em Bodmer, Mark Pollard, Jennifer Tarling** and **Beth Guard**. Each of these wonderful humans have made enormous contributions to life at Penpol. We will miss them all and thank them wholeheartedly.

On Monday this week, our **Penpol's Got Talent** finalists bravely competed in front of over four hundred people. Hosted by Stan and Peck (Ant and Dec were sadly unavailable), the event was a huge success and featured incredible performances from each act. Well done to all involved in each round of the competition. It was wonderful to see such a wide range of unique passions and skills.



The summer holidays are long and can be a tricky time for many families. If you are struggling to access the **support** you need **during the summer**, please do get in touch at [head@penpol.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:head@penpol.cornwall.sch.uk).

I am delighted to welcome our brand new **Penpol Friends Association (PFA) leadership team!** Amanda Dunn will be our Chair, with Vlasta Piherova taking on the role of Vice Chair. Meanwhile, Clare McLeish has taken on the role of Treasurer. Many thanks all – I look forward to working together on lot of exciting events next year.

We currently have a **space** in our **Reception** intake for this September. We also have a space in **Year 4** and spaces in **Year 1 and Nursery**. If you know of anyone who has recently moved and is looking for a school place, they are welcome to contact me on my email address below.



As you will have seen, there are significant gas works which will affect Penpol Road over the summer break. The **road closure** is forecast to last well into September. When we return in September, please do plan your route in advance. Pedestrians will be able to walk along Penpol Road throughout.

Please see an attached poster with information regarding **Sustainable Hayle** events this summer. These initiatives look fantastic and are highly recommended.

Congratulations to each of our pupils who have been working with **Mrs Smart** and **Mrs Lamb**. To celebrate their incredible progress this year, they held a party and went frog-spotting. Each of these children have achieved so much this term and we could not be more proud.

Wishing you all a wonderful summer. I look forward to seeing you when our new term starts on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September**.

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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.”