



Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back to a new year at Penpol! It has been a short week so far but your children have jumped right back into their learning with enthusiasm and energy.

We weren't all resting during the holidays. Bravo to Sorrel in Year 4 who was busy performing in her first **panto season** at **Kidz R Us** in the run up to Christmas. As you can see, it was a polished and professional production involving lots of hard work from all. Congratulations to Sorrel and to all involved!



I am delighted to introduce you to our new Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Co-ordinator (**SENDCo**), **Helen Duncan**. Today is Helen's first official day with us and she has been busy meeting lots of children, parents and carers already. Helen will be at Penpol for three days each week and looks forward to working closely with our parent/carer community. If you would like to arrange a meeting or phone call with Helen, please don't hesitate to get in touch via the school office.

If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2019 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019, the **deadline** to **apply for a school place** this September is **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024**. If you would like any support with this process or have any questions at all, please do get in touch at the details below.



The temperature looks set to drop as we head into next week. Please do make sure that your child comes to school with **cold weather gear**, ready to play and learn outside every day. Thank you.

Finally, a reminder that the **school is closed to all pupils on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January** for staff training. You can check future term and INSET dates here: <https://www.penpolschool.co.uk/calendar/>.

Wishing you all a restful weekend.

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