



Friday 26th January 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Well, it's been another fantastic week of curiosity, creativity and courage here at Penpol. Our Year 3s visited **Geevor**, stepping back into Cornwall's fascinating mining heritage. As you can see, they had a fantastic time!



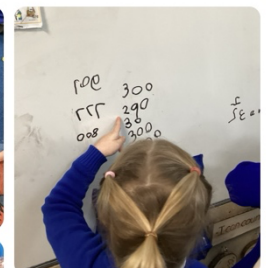
Elsewhere, in **Reception**, our budding **mathematicians** have been finding numbers everywhere they look and challenging themselves every step of the way. Well done all!

Cornwall Council have developed a new **health advice** website for children and their families. It is easy to access and well worth checking out:

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/healthadvice>

This week's **Makaton Sign Of The Week** is, aptly, 'cold'. You can practise this here:

https://makaton.org/TMC/News_Stories/SOTW/SOTW_Cold.aspx



Congratulations to the Penpol girls taking part in the Cornwall School Games **Football Festival**. With many playing competitively for the first time, all are now feeling driven to play for a team. A great result all round!



Many thanks to **Mike Dale** who has stepped down following a number of years as a Penpol governor. Our governors form a vital part of the Penpol team - in agreeing our strategic direction and in checking that we are providing the best possible provision for your children. We thank Mike for his dedication and commitment.

We love to celebrate our pupils' many achievements – both in and out of school. Congratulations to Carys who recently swam her first **1000m!** What an incredible achievement. We look forward to seeing what you get up to next Carys!



Some dates for your diary:

- **Parent/Carer Meetings** will be held on 20th and 21st March. We will write to you after half-term with sign up details. As ever, if you would like to arrange a meeting with a member of the team ahead of these dates, please don't hesitate to get in touch.
- **World Book Day** is on Thursday 7th March. As this lands in the same week as St Piran's Day, we will be placing a special focus upon Cornish Literature at Penpol. I am delighted to say that will be joined by **Will Coleman** to help us celebrate.

Finally, in assembly today, Key Stage 2 children learned about **Holocaust Memorial Day**, taking place tomorrow. In particular, we reflected upon how we can all use our voice to build a fairer world, free from discrimination. If you would like to explore this further at home, there are some excellent resources here: <https://www.hmd.org.uk/>.

Wishing you all a restful weekend.

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