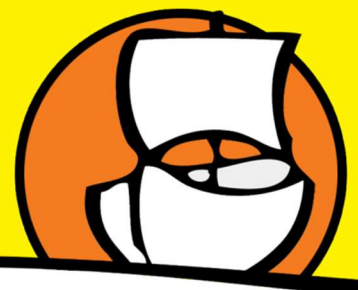


# Penpol School

2 St George's Road, Hayle, Cornwall, TR27 4AH



Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

One of the best bits of my job is walking around the school to see what the children are up to. Which ever route I take, I am invariably greeted by **curious, creative and courageous learners** having fun, working hard and making excellent progress.



On my travels today, Nursery children were getting ready for a busy morning in Forest School whilst Reception pupils were writing some incredible 'sh' sounds. Meanwhile, children in Years 2, 3 and 6 were working hard at their guided reading and Year 4 were working collaboratively to design and code some excellent moving machines using Lego robotics. Year 4 classrooms are beginning to resemble a scene from Hogwarts (in all the right ways) and Year 5 had sent poor Mr Jones up the wall bars to assist with their investigation into air resistance. Well done all for making **every moment count** as ever!

As you may have noticed, **Tiffany Pope** has not been at school for a little while. She is missing the Penpol community very much and will be back in action before too long. I know you will join us in wishing Tiffers all the very best. We look forward to seeing her (and Wilf!) soon. ☺

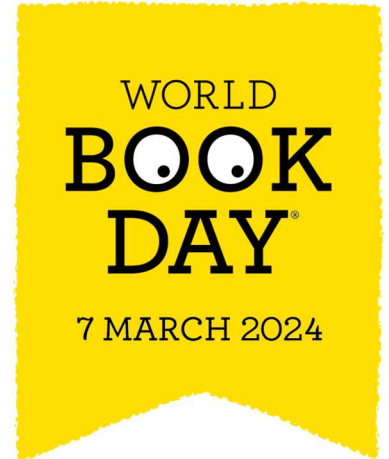


The **Penpol Panthers** have been at it again, this time in rather testing conditions at Cape Cornwall School. We are all very proud of this remarkable team and the progress they are making in the world of cross-country. This week saw particularly strong performances from Atia Ishmael and Fred Pochee (both placing first place in their categories), with Niyah, Florence, Frankie, Isla, Theo and Finlay all finishing high on the leaderboard too. Congratulations to all involved once again.

A reminder that **next Thursday** is **World Book Day**. As it falls in the same week as St Piran's Day, we will be celebrating this in style at Penpol, with Will Coleman joining children across the school to celebrate Cornish language and literature.

**There is no expectation that children dress up** for World Book Day. Many children will be wearing their own clothes, some will bring a prop or book to celebrate a favourite title and some will be in costume. Children might instead prefer to wear the black and white colours of St Piran's Flag. Most importantly, there is no pressure to make or buy a costume at all.

We have installed a hanger in the entrance foyer for book day **costumes which need a new home**. Please do add or borrow any items where appropriate. Thank you.



More permanently, we now have some lovely new drawers in the foyer full of **school uniform** items. You are warmly encouraged to pop by at any time and to take any items which may help your household. Thank you to our PFA for funding this.

Huge congratulations and many thanks are owed to our **Food Warriors** in Year 6. Entirely of their own initiative, they have raised a whopping £166.25 this week through cake sales which they will donate, along with your generous contributions of food items, to Hayle Food Bank. Great job all!

Finally, in celebration of **International Women's Day**, parent Siobhan McDonnell is running a free yoga session to bring local women together. This will be held on Hayle Beach by Cove Café at 9:45am on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March. If you are keen to attend, please contact Little Yoga Wanderer via social media.

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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."*