PENPOL NEWSLETTER

9th October 2026

Dydh da / Hello,

Another wonderful week filled with learning and laughter ticked off as we rapidly approach a very well-deserved half-term holiday!

This last Monday brought International Teachers' Day 2026. Despite there seemingly being a national or international day for just about everything these days, this one is particularly important to us here at Penpol (no offence to the migratory birds, who get their turn on Saturday!).

We are so very fortunate to have such caring, compassionate and helpful teachers amongst our staff. Our children quite rightly see them as the superheroes they are, but sometimes we forget that they are human beings too — with families, hobbies and, yes, they even do their own supermarket shopping!

Class email addresses have now been shared, and we certainly don't want to discourage you from using them when needed. However, please do make the most of drop-off and collection as an opportunity to catch your child's teacher when you can. A quick chat in person can often be much easier than a lengthy email!

Not only is next week our Democracy Week, with children having the opportunity to elect our new House Captains and School Councillors, but it also marks the beginning of Black History Month celebrations.

It's a wonderful opportunity for our children to learn about the importance of democracy, having their voices heard and making positive choices, while also celebrating and learning about the achievements, experiences and contributions of Black people throughout history.

Bennar dhe'n penwythnos! / Have a good weekend!







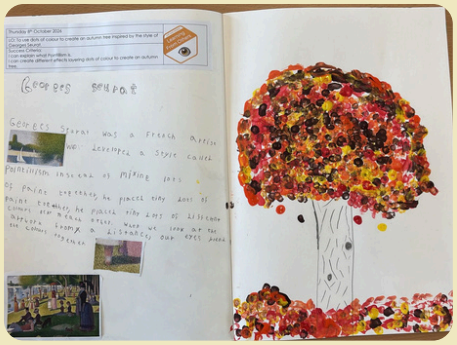






"Autumn" in Cornish is Gwanwyn.





Year 3 Autumnal Art

After exploring the theory behind Pointillism this term and spending time practising different mark-making techniques, the children have produced this wonderful artwork inspired by the work of Pointillist artist Georges Seurat.



A final 'chapeau' to Leo and his dad who raised well over £300 during their recent fundraising walk!

Those boots were certainly made for walking!

A huge thank you to the Penpol Friends – PFA, who have once again kindly gifted our pupils their very own water bottles! Staying hydrated is so important for keeping healthy, focused and ready to learn, and these bottles will do the job perfectly. For our older children, if bottles have been lost or need replacing replacement bottles are available to purchase from the school office for £2 each – cash only, please.





We love seeing so many of our pupils choosing to walk, cycle and scoot to school. Active travel is a fantastic way to start the day, helping our children to be active, independent and environmentally friendly!

However, a little reminder that bikes and scooters should not be ridden on the school grounds. With lots of children moving around at drop-off and collection, this is really important in helping us to keep everyone safe.

If your child brings their wheels to school, please do have a quick chat with them about walking them once they enter the school grounds. We've reminded the children in school this week and will continue to keep an eye on this.
Thank you, as always, for your support in helping us make getting to and from school safe and enjoyable for everyone.

NEXT WEEK!

Monday 12th October- Class 10 Swimming
Monday 12th October- C4 Beach Trip
Wednesday 14th October- TEMPEST INDIVIDUAL AND SIBLING PHOTOS
Wednesday 14th October- Year 2 Forward Together Session
Wednesday 14th October- Y6 London Meeting @15.15
Friday 16th October- Year 6 Evacuee Day



We are delighted to share that Jude and Phoenix have both been successfully selected for the West Cornwall Schools Under-11 squad this year.

At the weekend, the boys travelled to Swansea with the 10-player squad for their first fixture, proudly representing West Cornwall Schools against strong opposition.
A fantastic experience and a brilliant opportunity to compete at a higher level. We are incredibly proud of their achievement and look forward to following their progress throughout the season