



PENSHURST C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term 3 Week 2

Dear parents



SCHOOL NEWS!

Dear Parents,

I hope that you are managing to avoid the flu bug that is doing the rounds and are staying well. Mrs Williams was struck by it this week but is thankfully over the worst and was back with us today.

I very much hope you will be able to come along to our Open Afternoon on Wednesday (22nd January). Please note the later start time of 2.15pm. Classrooms will be open until 5pm to allow our working parents to pop in. If for any reason you cannot make it, please speak with your child's class teacher who will be able to arrange another time for you to explore your child's work. Many parents comment on the breadth of the curriculum we provide and the high standard of the work the children produce – we have a great teaching team here at Penshurst who bring the learning to life – our pupils produce work of a very high standard. Something that I am very proud of. I look forward to welcoming you.

With best wishes,
Sue Elliott, Headteacher.



Going for Gold

Maple Class: Rupert, Luca, Vinnie, Olwen Henrietta

Elm Class: Isabella, Annabelle W, Inara, Gabriel, Theo, Aurora, Njal, Thea, Teddy, Amelie, Alina.

Beech Class: Nate, Tabby, Freida, Elwyn, Imogen, Bunnirose, Gilbert, Noelle

Oak Class: Freddie, Layla, Ava, Jimmy, Elle, Luca, Ava Grace, Willow, Amelia

STARS OF THE WEEK



Maple Class

Rupert for being a great friend and working incredibly hard with his reading

Elm Class

Year 1: Njal for making super progress with his DT learning.

Year 2: Aurora for her great attitude to learning and giving everything her best efforts.

Beech Class

Year 3: Tabby for showing great resilience and working hard across the curriculum.

Year 4: Gilbert for his focus and contributions to class teaching and discussions.

Oak Class

Year 5: Amelia for great work in maths – giving long multiplication her very best!

Year 6: Ava for showing resilience and great teamwork skills when representing the school.

Sporting Stars

Each week our sports club coaches select a 'star' player. Stars are selected from a range of criteria such as showing team work skills, perseverance, good listening etc. This week the awards went to

Archery: Gilbert (Y4) and Elwyn

Netball: Tatum (Y6)

Football: Harrison (Y2) & Nate (Y3)

Gymnastics: Annabelle (Y2)

Dodgeball: Leo (Y4)

These stars appear on our sports award board – well done to them all.

Open Afternoon

Open Afternoon for parents of pupils in Years 1-6. You are invited to come along between 2.15pm and 5pm

OPEN AFTERNOON



Year 5 and 6 Debating

This week we sent a team of Year 5 and 6 children to Sevenoaks School to take part in a debating competition. Mrs Lane accompanied them; she was very impressed with how well they did. They were given a range of topics which they had to research and were then given a viewpoint from which to debate – not always one they agreed with. They showed great team work skills and rose to the challenge. They did incredibly well and one this round; they now move onto the next round which is held online. What an amazing achievement – we are all very proud of them.

Extra Curricular Clubs

This coming Wednesday our early morning club providers 'Sportacus' will be visiting us to award medals from last term's clubs and provide pupils with information about the clubs that they provide. Last year Mrs Gammer worked incredibly hard to find a reliable provider who could deliver great sports clubs for our pupils. Having worked with Sportacus for several months now I consider that their clubs are excellent. The coaches are encouraging, proactive and young! They are respectful to the school's vision and values and align their work to this whenever possible.

As I have mentioned before any provider will only run clubs where they meet their costs. They recently made a move to early morning clubs only as the after-school clubs were not viable due to small numbers. I realise that parents have a finite amount of money to spend on clubs and rightly prioritise what their child can participate in.

The aim of the assembly is to promote the clubs as without sufficient numbers attending we will lose them. Please speak with Mrs Gammer if you need any further information about the clubs on offer.



Amazing Art ! Oak Class have produced some fantastic art work - working in the style of the artist Hundertwasser – take a closer look when visiting the school for Open Afternoon.

