Term 3 Week 3 24<sup>th</sup> January 2025

# PENSHURST C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear parents



# **SCHOOL NEWS!**

Dear Parents,

I hope you have all had a good week and are looking forward to a restful weekend. In school it has been a busy week, many thanks for supporting our Open Afternoon. I hope you enjoyed sharing your child's work with them; I am sure you will agree the children at Penshurst work hard and there is plenty to see in their books. This week I have been looking through Art and DT books from across the school and I am so impressed by the high quality art work our pupils produce and from my discussions with children it is clear that they are proud of their work. Our KCC School Improvement Advisor visited last week and she commented on not just the high quality work in books but the great behaviour we have in and around school.

Well done to our pupils, as they all work hard across the curriculum. With best wishes, Sue Elliott, Headteacher.



# **Going for Gold**

Maple Class: Louis, Olwen, Luca Elm Class: Amelie, Raffy, Fergus, Gabriel, Jacob, Ffion, Finley, Alina, Thea, Rocky, Aurora, Amelia, Annie, Annabelle W, Harrison Beech Class: Hattie, Zachary, Leo, Joseph, Elwyn, Alfie, Coco, Freida, Nate, George, Noelle, Lily, Imogen, Max, Tabby, Oak Class: Eva, Elle, Chloe, Freddie, Isla, Sammy Well done to them all!

## STARS OF THE WEEK Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2025



Maple Class Lois for demonstrating determination with his

reading and phonics. Elm Class Year 1: Gabriel for his hard work and determination to improve his work

Year 2: Harrison for being a supportive class mate and role model to Year 1 pupils. Beech Class

Year 3: Alfie for enthusiasm and determination across all subjects. Year 4 : Hattie for working consistently hard in

maths. Oak Class

Year 5 : Isla for showing enthusiasm and contributing to class discussions. Year 6 : Chloe for demonstrating great listening skills and following instructions.

#### **Sporting Stars**

Archery: Freddie Bathgate Football: Max Bareham Gymnastics: Imogen and Freida Dodgeball: Harry Collyer Look out for an update on how to sign up for a free taster session at a Sportacus sports club.





#### Football Tournament

Well done to our football team who showed great team work and sportsmanship at this week's football tournament. Many thanks to Mrs Gammer and Mr Wheeler for supporting our team.



### Beech Class Cake Sale Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January 3.15pm Please bring a container to put your treats in

to take home! Thank you.

#### Half Marathon Marshals

Each year the PTA ask for volunteers to marshal the section of the Tunbridge Wells Half Marathon that passes through Penshurst – this is not an onerous task and very enjoyable. Marshals help to keep the runners safe and provide much appreciated encouragement. Look out for the email from Hayley Bareham that will have the details. In return for our support the Harriers give a generous donation to the PTA. Thank you in advance.



#### Sportacus Awards

On Wednesday the coaches from Sportacus joined us for an awards assembly. They presented medals to pupils who the coaches had identified as showing a range of qualities from kindness to demonstrating determination. The awards were very much aligned to our school values. Sportacus are offering all pupils a free taster session in a club they have not tried before – Mrs Gammer will send out details next week.





#### **Gamelan Workshop**

Pupils in Year 3 and Year 4 are taking part in a Gamelan workshop at Sevenoaks School. Gamelan is music originated on the islands of Java and Bali, in Indonesia. It is played by an ensemble (also called a Gamelan) predominantly comprising bronze gongs and metallophones, with bamboo flutes, strings and other percussion. Year 4 took part this week and next week

is the turn of Year 3. Many thanks to Sevenoaks School for providing the workshop and transport. It looks great fun!

