

PENSHURST C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term 4 Week 3: Friday 11th March 2022



Dear Parents

I hope that you are all well and enjoyed the glorious spring weather yesterday – fingers crossed more to come over the

weekend.

Open Afternoon

It was lovely to see so many parents and other family members attending our Open Afternoon – I hope that you found the opportunity to look at your child's work, see some of the great learning that takes place and found it useful. I received some very positive feedback. We will hold a further Open Afternoon in Term 6.

Parent Forum

I held a Parent Forum yesterday – unfortunately it wasn't well attended but we did discuss some aspects of school life; thank you to those who contributed. I will schedule another meeting for Term 6 – we will try a zoom meeting that will be held in the evening. I will provide feedback in next week's newsletter.

Maple Class Trip to Bore Place

Maple class were out and about this week. Thank you to all the parents who helped with transport and gave support during the day. It is so lovely that we are now able to get out and about with the children. Thank you to Mrs Foy for arranging the trip and Mrs Poole for taking the children.



Stars of the Week

Maple Class: Joseph for working hard across the curriculum.

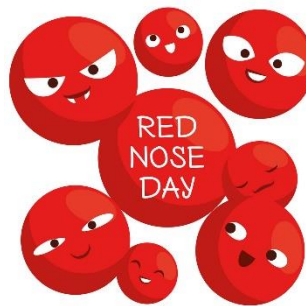
Elm Class: Year 1: Gilbert for always doing his best and making great progress. **Year 2:** Taylor has been doing really well with his reading – especially reading at home

Beech Class: Some great poetry work has been written in Year 3 and 4, which has impressed Mr Newman.

Year 3 Freddie and in **Year 4:** Oscar. For all round good work and working hard in **Oak Class: Year 6** it was Charlotte. (Year 5 to be awarded next week as they were absent today).



Comic Relief – Red Nose Day



Mr Harris will be working with Oak Class to fundraise for Comic Relief next Friday. Pupils will be able to come dressed in home clothes; there will be a range of activities / games for children to participate in. Rather than bringing in lots of small amounts of money we ask for a donation of £3

per child. Please bring this into school in a named envelope.

PTA Events

Many thanks to the PTA who have organised to come into school and work with the children to create a very special Mother's Day gift – this is a whole school event; all children will have the opportunity to take part.

Sal's Shoes

In a recent conversation with Reverend Lisa she talked to me about a charity called Sal's Shoes. The idea behind the scheme sits so well with the school's vision of 'walking in the shoes of others'. The charity is based in Edenbridge and I believe that Reverend Lisa taught the founder/organiser so she has an added personal interest. We discussed that rather than a Church collection at our Easter Service or following the 'giving something up' for Lent route - we would give something instead – in this case shoes! So rather than walking in the shoes of others – others will be walking in our shoes! Confusing but it sort of works.... I will be sending home information next week but in a nutshell 'Sal's Shoes' collects shoes that have been outgrown and gives them a new home – they go to someone who is in need of shoes but may not be able to afford them. There are one or two additional do's and don'ts which are covered in the information you will receive. If you are also able to volunteer to help co-ordinate this initiative please let the school office know and once I have some further information and dates I will be in touch.

At school the idea is that on Wednesday 30th March pupils can wear home shoes and if they have a pair of outgrown but not outworn shoes they can donate them to 'Sal's Shoes' - if you don't have outgrown shoes them you could – if you wish – make a small monetary donation. Sounds a great idea to me.



House points

The running totals (as of today) are:

Bayley	Holmes	Yarnold
622	569	552

Sue Elliott, Headteacher