



PENSHURST C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friday 12th March 2021

Dear Parents,

We have had a very successful return to school with pupils settling back into school routines without any fuss. As I have mentioned previously we are following government guidance and where we are able, reducing the risks to all. Well done to everyone we all seem to have survived and adapted to our new normal. I am not sure how many 'new normals' we have had – I've lost count over the last year! Let us hope we are well on the road to 'normal'.

The vaccination programme is rolling out well and I am pleased to say that some members of staff have already received their first jab and others have theirs booked and have a couple of weeks to wait – so this will give some added protection to staff.

Comic Relief – Friday 19th May 2021



Next Friday (19th March) we will be hosting a Red Nose Event – children in Years 5 and 6 will be putting on a range of activities outside.

Each class will have the opportunity to take part and be given a time slot to come along and enjoy the fun. Children will also be able to wear home clothes for the day.

So that children and adults are not handling coins etc we are asking for a donation of £3 for your child to take part in the activities and a £1 donation to enable them to wear home clothes. You should send your donation in a sealed envelope with your child's name on it – there will be a place in each classroom to leave donations.

We will send a reminder out on Thursday!

Easter Egg Hunt

The PTA have kindly agreed to continue to sponsor our Easter Egg Hunt – this will take place on Thursday 1st April 2021. Each child has an egg hidden on the school field and they have to find it – a simple idea that is very popular! Many



thanks to the PTA for supplying the eggs.

Stars of the Week

For this term I have asked class teachers to select their 'Star of the Week' for each year group, based on a child demonstrating / modelling one of our school values – this week I selected 'determination' and in our assembly today we discussed what determination is and how we can model it. The following children caught their teacher's eye this week with their determined efforts :



Reception – Gilbert Kewell

Year 1 – Layla Gardner

Year 2 – George Jenner

Year 3 – Alice Sims

Year 4 – Finley Townsend

Year 5 – Isabel Norris-Williams

Year 6 - Kai Baker

Well done to Amy Kewell

One of my staff spotted Amy Kewell out running last week and it transpires that she is running 100K in March for breast cancer charity 'Breast Cancer Now'. I think perhaps she could be the parent 'Star of the Week' for showing such determination and for walking in the shoes of others.

If you would like to sponsor Amy then please click the logo.



Mothers Day

I hope that you will all have a very special day on Sunday – with breakfast in bed and perhaps a lovely card (I have seen some lovely ones being made this week). This can be a hard time for some; I thought this was a nice little prayer.



I thank you from the heart for all you've done for me and I bless the Lord for giving me the best mother there could be!

I'm really looking forward to my gift ... when my daughter asked my grandson what she should buy me he said 'running shoes' – can't wait! I hope I am not disappointed!!!

Enjoy your weekend.

Best wishes,

Sue Elliott, Headteacher