

PENSHURST C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friday 30th April 2021 - Term 5



Dear Parents,

This week seems to have flown past; here we are at the end of the week and the end of another month. Fingers crossed that we experience some warmer days in May. This coming Monday is a bank holiday and I hope you will all get the opportunity to get out and about.

Captain Sir Tom Moore Challenge

In memory of Captain Sir Tom Moore we have taken part in a '100 challenge' – schools have been challenged to do 100 of something. Pupils across the school worked collaboratively to complete 100 laps of the school field – which I thought was very apt and linked well to Tom's own personal challenge last year. We also took time to reflect on the kindness and

compassion Captain Tom showed to others and raising such a fantastic amount of money for NHS charities. Two boys in Y5&6 ran 35 laps – which is just under 3 miles – what a great effort by the whole school.



Parent Governor Election

You will have received information this week concerning the election of a new parent governor. Please read the instructions very carefully as unless the returned ballot papers comply with the exact instructions we have to disregard them.



If you need further information please contact Mrs Bennett in the School Office.

Extra-Curricular Sports Clubs

As we are now able to hold more outdoor sports activities we are re-starting some after school provision – we are starting with a multi-skills club for children in Maple and Elm classes (YR-2) and archery club for children in Beech and Oak (Y3-6). These can be booked online and will offer pupils some additional time to be outside engaged in physical activity. The School Office can provide further information.



Parent Consultations

We have had two afternoons/evenings of parent consultations this week there is one further afternoon next week – if you haven't booked your slot then please do speak with the school office – this is a great opportunity to discuss your child's progress and development. In Term 6, when we hope to be able to welcome adults back into school, we are planning to hold an open afternoon when you will get the chance to see your child's work and meet their teacher!

Good Work

Before recognising the good work of our Stars of the Week I would also like to give a shout out to both Maddie Trafford and Emily Wickens who have produced some excellent work in RE – I am always surprised about the level of understanding our pupils have of some fairly complex religious stories or events. This week both girls were able to link what they learned in their lessons to their own lives and experiences.



Moving onto this week's **Stars of the Week.....**

Maple Class (Reception)

Bunnirose – who has settled in so well and quickly made lots of new friends.

Elm Class (Y1&2)

Year 1 – Willow Jenner for working so hard on her writing – and making such a fantastic improvement.

Year 2 – Harriet Stronghill for improvement in her reading – which is the result of her hard work and determination.

Beech Class (Y3&4)

Year 3 – Alice Sims for showing great resilience, concentration and having a great attitude in all lessons.

Year 4 – Laura Cain for a positive attitude whatever the challenge.

Oak Class (Y5&6)

Year 5 - Daisy Webster for great effort and attainment in both maths and English.

Year 6 – Olivia Duncan for great attainment in English.

Wishing you all a great Bank Holiday weekend - we look forward to welcoming you back on Tuesday.

With best wishes,
Sue Elliott
Headteacher