



Weekly Newsletter

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Attendance

As many of you will be aware the government have issued strict guidance regarding attendance monitoring in schools. To ensure you are fully informed we have to add a 'U' code (unauthorised absence) if a pupil arrives after 9.20am.

We also like to celebrate the amazing Penketh pupils who have great attendance. Each term they will be congratulated in assembly, receive a certificate and appear in the newsletter!

School uniform reminder

We are noticing trainers are being worn on non PE days. Children should wear **black school shoes** on the days when they do not have a PE lesson.

We are very proud of how smart Penketh children look in their uniform. We do need parents and carers to support our policy and ensure all children feel a sense of belonging, where everyone is equal and follows the same expectations.



STARS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to:

Reception: Grace

Year 1: Scarlett

Year 2: Yohan

Year 3: Isaac

Year 4: Isabelle

Year 5: Rian

Year 6: Sophia R.



ATTENDANCE



Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
94.1%	100%	97.5%	96.7%	95.6%	95.9%	99.6%



OUR LEARNING

In Reception... Reception have been exploring all things Winter this week, linked to our book, 'The Stormwhale in Winter'. We have been painting whale tails, making shell fossils, writing speech bubbles and reading books about penguins and whales. We have also been learning about the importance of recycling; we sang a special song all about recycling together!

In Year 1... This week, Year 1 have loved exploring their new story in English, 'Do Not Enter the Monster Zoo'. Before reading the book, the children predicted what they thought would happen in the story. In Maths, we have been solving some tricky word problems! In Science, the children have been investigating different materials and naming them. We also loved welcoming author Sean Perkins into school on Monday, who read us his brand new book. We loved taking part in a rhyming workshop with him too. What a great week!

In Year 2.. In Maths, we have used our known facts to add multiples of 10 to 100. In English, we have discovered what the sneaky dragons from our story have been up to and enjoyed writing a diary entry as the main character. In PSHE, we thought about different jobs in our community and discussed the jobs we would like when we are older. In Science, we have learnt about different materials and described their properties.

In Year 3... This week in Year 3 we have been working hard in Maths using mental strategies to help solve addition and subtraction challenges. We have been learning about using fronted adverbials in English, using them to up-level our fiction writing skills. In Music, we have been learning about different dynamics of music and focusing on how we can spot this in different pieces. In History, we have started learning about the Four Ancient Civilisations and where they fit into our world history timeline. In PSHE, we have been learning about families and what they can look like. In PE, we have been learning different types of rolls in gymnastics.

In Year 4... This week we have been continuing to read our class text 'Escape from Pompeii', finding out exactly what happened when Mount Vesuvius erupted and how Tranio and Livia managed to escape. Using the text we have written excellent diary extracts about what life was like for the two children before the volcano erupted. After the Christmas break we are back into recalling our times table facts quickly, with everyone working hard to 'go green'. In History, we have been learning about life as a Roman soldier invading Britain and in PSHE we have been talking about different feelings and emotions and how we handle them well.

In Year 5... This week we have enjoyed our Science assembly about forces and continued this learning in class by completing an experiment about friction. During English, we have been using speech marks to portray what the different characters are saying from our story: 'Arthur and the Golden Rope'. We have shown to be whizzes at multiplying numbers by 10, 100 and 1000. As always, keep up the fantastic work Year 5!

In Year 6... Year 6 have had another busy week filled with lots of new learning. We have explored decimals in Maths, physical features of South America in Geography and the Five Pillars of Islam in RE, whilst also producing brilliant work in English, Science and PSHE! Well done Year 6. Finally, a thank you to those that were able to join us for our Robinwood information session; we hope you found it informative!



OTHER AWARDS



Congratulations to:

- **Super Swimmers; Mya** (Level 1), **Bella** (Level 2) and **Jude** (25 metres).
- **Amazing Dancers; Sofia** (Star of the Week from Abigail Barlow Dance Academy).
- **Fabulous Gymnasts; Ruby** (Level 1 from Penketh Gymnastics Club), **Evie** (Star of the Week from Gymfinity Kids Club), **Elsie** (Concentration certificate from Warrington Gymnastics Club) and **Georgia** (Communication certificate from Warrington Gymnastics Club).
- **Sophia**, who was presented with badges and a Rainbow Silver Award from her Rainbow pack.
- **Lucas and Abel**, who both were awarded participation trophies and medals from 1st Kick Football.



Autumn Attendance Superstars

Wednesday 4th September to Friday 20th December 2024

Congratulations to the following children who had 100% attendance

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Evie	Lucy	Elsie	Arthur	Claire	Amelia	Jack
Katie	Dakota	Charlie	Ruby	Alice	Jeremy	Caden
Aria	Maeve	Emily	Charlotte	Arthur	Lyra	Georgie
Cameron		Harry	Sofia	Evangeline	Rian	Jenson
Arlo		Harley	Alison		William	Isla
Neveah—		Luke	George		Sophie	Hugo
Nicole		Dennis	Oliver		Emma	Sophia
Iris			Seb		Daniel	Rose
Morgan			Maisy		Eliots	Theo V
			Esmea		Tilly	Joshua
			Jamie		Isabella	

Congratulations to the following children who had above 97% attendance

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Ethan	Bella	Vinnie	Eleanor	Jackson	Frankie	Josh
Grace	Hugo	Caleb	Luna-Rae	Logan	Florence	Charlie
Elodie	Willow	Esme	Amelia	Tudor	James	Emily
Ada	Georgie	James	Lily	Lexi	Mylo	Harriett
Charlotte	Effie	Lucas	Georgiana	Lochlan	Owen	Theo
Edward	Scarlett	Abigail	Isaac	Ivy	Phoebe	Sumie
Luella	Francis	Jude	James	Stanley	Annie	Harriet
Aria	Rex	Daisy	Asher	Hayden	George	Alissa
Natasha	Vivienne	Isaac	Axel	Jacob	Eva	Hazel
Grayson	Florence	Olive	Ray	Edie	Lewie	
	Louis	Logan	Lily	Aida	Sheldon	
		Reuben		Reggie		

REMARKABLE READERS



Reception: Iris

Year 1: Ibrahim

Year 2: Sean

Year 3: Ray

Year 4: George

Year 5: Mylo

Year 6: Daniel



LUNCH MENU W/C 20/01/25

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta Bake (v) Jacket Potato with various fillings Strawberry Ice Cream	Chicken Curry with Rice Jacket Potato with various fillings Fruit Segments or Yoghurt	Pepperoni & Cheese Pizza, Jacket Wedges & Salad Jacket Potato with various fillings Jelly & Fruit	Oven Baked Chicken Poppers or Fish Stars with Chips, Peas or Beans Jacket Potato with various fillings Homemade Biscuit	Pork Meatballs & Pasta Jacket Potato with various fillings Vanilla & Chocolate Marble Cake

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 21st January: Y5 visit to Safety Central, Lymm

Wednesday 22nd January: Living Streets WOW Walk to School Initiative Assembly 2.30pm

Tuesday 4th February: Chinese New Year Celebrations and dance workshops

Thursday 6th February: Reception Aqua Lease Rock Pool Experience

Monday 10th February to Friday 14th February: Assessment Week in school