



11TH OCTOBER 2024

# NEWSLETTER

Penwortham Primary School

## End of term...

This half term has flown by and the children have settled into the new year really well, especially our reception and pre school children. I would like to say thank you to our parents for all the support you have given this term and to our staff for all their hard work. We hope you all have a lovely half term, enjoy family time and some rest and relaxation. We look forward to welcoming you back on Tuesday 29th October.

On Wednesday we welcomed new families into school on our 2nd open day of the year. The feedback was incredible with parents complimenting how calm and happy our school is. Our enthusiastic house captains greeted and engaged with the families on arrival. Everyone did a fantastic job representing the school. If you know anybody who is due to start primary school please let them know of our upcoming open days. Thursday 21st November: 1.45pm-2.45pm & Friday 10th January: 9.15am-10.15am.

The whole school have been taking part in house competitions this week. The children competed against other year groups in their individual house teams by taking part in various sport activities. The children have loved taking part and representing their house teams. Reception class have explored Autumn changes and created some fantastic observational drawings of a pumpkin which Miss McKelvie brought in for the classroom.

Year 2 have been using mirrors when learning about symmetry. Year 3 had lots of fun reading and following an 8-point compass, using their navigational skills by planning routes on a map to direct their friends around the school grounds as part of their geography unit on Thursday.

Year 4 have been creative in science this week learning how electricity travels by acting out the "human circuit."

Year 5 wrote some amazing science fiction stories based on the lovable plot of E.T in their independent writing.

Year 6 have been sitting practice exam papers, under similar SATs conditions this week.

VALUE OF  
THE  
HALF TERM

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CARE

NO ACT OF  
KINDNESS, NO  
MATTER HOW  
SMALL, IS EVER  
WASTED





# Penwortham allstars

Penwortham All Stars breakfast and afterschool club will be running from Tuesday 29th October. We still have spaces available if you would like to register your child please contact the office or visit our website for more information.



Mrs Helliwell had another exciting week at forest school, with Years 1-4 learning how to light a camp fire safely and at the end of the lesson they got to toast a marshmallow over the fire. Despite the soggy weather this week Mrs Helliwell has made the most of the outdoor lessons with puddle splashing and mud jumping!



**you  
ARE  
awesome**

After learning about the negative effects on the world palm oil has, 2 pupils from Y6 decided to write a letter to the manager of Tesco appealing to them to stop selling products which contain palm oil and listed the reasons why.

Miss Penarski has set a whole school reading challenge. For the children who show the most commitment to reading will be awarded a special prize when we return, the reading ambassadors will be checking reading journals to make the decision! Please also sign up to Miss Ainsworth's book club, every Friday from 3.30pm



## Dates for your Diary:

- 16.10.24 - Flu vaccinations (full school)
- 21.10.24 - 25.10.24 - HALF TERM
- 28.10.24 - INSET DAY
- 31.10.24 - PTFA Talent show deadline
- 01.11.24 - Autumnal Day PTFA
- 06.11.24 - Parents evening
- 07.11.24 - Parents evening
- 12.11.24 - Odd socks day
- 21.11.24 - 26.11.24 - Scholastic book fair
- 22.11.24 - Non Uniform (bottle donation)
- 29.11.24 - Non Uniform (chocolate)
- 29.11.24 - Christmas Markets PTFA
- 11.12.24 - Panto in a day (cinderella)
- 12.12.24 - Christmas jumper day
- 18.12.24 - Christmas lunch
- 20.12.24 - School closure 2pm Christmas
- 23.12.24 - 03.01.24 - HALF TERM
- 06.01.24 - School reopens





HI,  
I'M GEORGE

I am battling acute lymphoblastic leukaemia and I need your help to keep me safe in school.

## About me

I am battling leukaemia and my chemotherapy makes it very hard for me to fight any infection. As a 7 year old I have missed over half of my education due to illnesses and being in and out of hospital. So please do not send any of mine, William or Matilda's peers into school when they have a bug. You may think it's nothing but for me it could result in me being in intensive care and in a coma. It's so important to keep us all safe.

Please if your child is unwell ring school and inform them of the reason, they can let my Mummy know so she can decide if I can go to school and be with my friends.



I love being at home with my family

## Fun facts

I love animals!

I love fortnite!





## Reminders

### DEADLINE!

Year 6 parents - the closing date for secondary school applications is Thursday 31st October. Please click the link below for more information on how to apply.

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/starting-secondary-school/>

Flu vaccinations - the Lancashire health team visited school on Wednesday for the flu vaccinations.

If your child did not receive their vaccination please ensure you make an appointment with your doctors.

Medical Information - Please make the school office aware of any changes to your child's medical information. The office will notify you if any medication kept in school runs out of date, you will need to replace this medication as soon as possible.

If your child requires an inhaler in school this will need registering at the school office before it can be taken to class. .



Spider messages have been sent out to all parents for our Autumnal day on Friday 1st November. This day is to celebrate Autumn as a whole with Halloween, Diwali and Bonfire Night.



Penwortham Primary Christmas Markets 2024 - Do you have a business and would like a stall? please contact the PTFA via email: [ptfa@penwortham-pri.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:ptfa@penwortham-pri.lancs.sch.uk) by the 31st October to secure a space. The fee for a single stall is £15,







## Champions of the Week...

### Reception

**Samantha**- for being a fantastic friend  
**lingtian**- for making new friendships

### Year 1

**Cooper D** - for an amazing attitude towards his learning every day.  
**Imogen** - for always demonstrating our value of care.

### Year 2

**James** - for consistent effort with his homework this half term - utilising his competitive side!  
**Scarlett** - for always being responsible for her learning, always trying hard to go above and beyond!

### Year 3

**Leon** - for always going above and beyond and demonstrating our aspire value perfectly.  
**Trixie** - for being a wonderful role model for our 3 'R's'

### Year 4

**Caleb** - for showing excellence and a resilient attitude to his learning  
**Emilia**- for being Emilia hardworking, supportive the list is endless!

### Year 5

**Rosa** - for showing her enthusiasm for learning with her Black History Month poster.  
**Jess** - for her use of adventurous descriptive phrases in our English lessons.

### Year 6

**Erin** - for being an excellent role model for our 3Rs  
**Tilly** - Outstanding effort in independent writing

## House Cup weekly Winners



## Attendance:

## WINNERS OF THE HALF TERM:

**Year 4**



## Our School

# Penwortham allstars



Experienced  
Staff



High Quality  
Provision



Well  
Resourced



Fun and  
Games



healthy snacks

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# Our School



Penwortham  
Primary

## JOIN OUR PRESCHOOL



Culture for  
Excellence



Well being



Enabling  
Environment



Inquiry-based  
Learning



Parent  
Partnership

Our highly trained, caring, friendly staff are dedicated to supporting each child to build strong foundations for successful future learning, enabling them to achieve their personal best and to be happy.



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# Our Community

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