



22ND NOVEMBER 2024

NEWSLETTER

Penwortham Primary School

Week 12

We had another successful open day on Thursday, meeting lots of lovely new perspective parents. Our amazing Y6 pupils welcomed and chatted with the families, proudly telling them how magical our school is and all of the wonderful things we have to offer.

A huge thank you to everyone for their very generous bottle donations this morning towards the PTFA Christmas Markets on 29th November. It is through your continued support that the PTFA are able to put together these amazing events for our school. We are in constant amazement of the generosity and kindness we receive from our families.

We politely request school dinners are booked in advance through school spider. This allows the kitchen to place accurate orders and for parents to be able to keep on top of payments.

Thank you to everyone who made it to the book fair, we will continue to host the scholastic book fair until Tuesday 26th November in the school hall. If there are any books your child would like that they cannot find at the fair or any books run out, you can order these online via the QR code and they will be delivered after the book fair is collected.

Children can be eligible for pupil premium for a variety of reasons. These include their family circumstances, such as their income or occupations, and whether or not they're in care. Pupil premium can increase the educational quality that a school can provide. If you would like to find out more information and see if you qualify please click the link below:
<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals/?page=2>

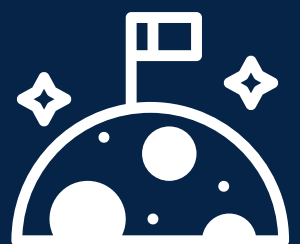


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In school this week...

In school this week Year 1 had some special guests in school, as part of their history lesson Miss Lilley asked grandparents to visit the class to talk about what life was like when they were 6 years old. Some even brought in photographs for the children to look at.

In year 2 the class have used rekenrek counting frames and beads to do help them with subtracting, they also carried out different physical activities to monitor their heart rates in science.

Year 3 have been hard at work learning their songs, lines and signs for the class assembly next week. They also enjoyed a very muddy forest school afternoon with Mrs Helliwell earlier in the week!

Year 4 have been learning all about sound and parts of the ear in science this week. Working in groups the children created presentations to show to the class.

Year 5 have been exploring different mythical creatures in English, looking at different stories for ideas for the class to write their own next week.

Year 6 have designed and made their own clay models of things that represent them in their art lesson.

This week pre-school have baked and decorated cupcakes to learn how we celebrate birthdays, They have worked together as a team to balance blocks and have been practicing to write their names!

This week reception have made creations exploring 3D shapes. The class had fun exploring the ice outside and they even had our own wedding!



Thank you to our very kind neighbour Jimmy who donated one of his rainbow benches to school this week. The bench has been set in our friendship garden for the children to enjoy. Jimmy lives at 14 Crookings lane and builds some amazing benches, you can pop in to see Jimmy or look our for some of his benches on facebook marketplace!

Dates for your Diary:

21.11.24 - 26.11.24 - Scholastic book fair

22.11.24 - Non Uniform (bottle donation)

27.11.24 - Y3 Class assembly

29.11.24 - Non Uniform (chocolate)

29.11.24 - Christmas Markets PTFA

10.12.24 - Y6 Visit to Priory

10.12.24 - KS1 & EYFS Nativity 2pm

11.12.24 - KS1 & EYFS Nativity 9.30am

11.12.24 - Panto in a day (cinderella)

12.12.24 - KS2 Christmas Showcase 2pm

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12.12.24 - Christmas jumper day

18.12.24 - PTFA 'Elfridges'

18.12.24 - Christmas lunch

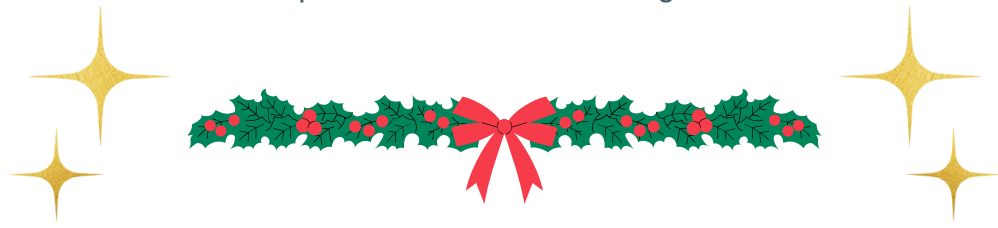
20.12.24 - School closure 2pm Christmas

23.12.24 - 03.01.24 - HALF TERM

06.01.24 - School reopens

Donation plea!

Christmas is a magical time for children and we want to make every room sparkle with the Christmas spirit. We are appealing for the donation of unwanted Christmas trees and decorations for our classrooms. If you have any items you would like to donate please can these be brought in to the office.



Penwortham Stars Pre School

Just a reminder to parents/carers of all 3 and 4 year old children that you are entitled to 15 hours childcare per week and for most working families this can rise to 30 hours funded by the government. We do currently have spaces in our amazing Penwortham Stars Preschool for 3 and 4 year olds. Please contact the office to find out more information.



School Trips & Events

The year 6 residential trip is now live on spider to book. We have spread the cost of this trip across a deposit and 4 additional payments to make the cost as manageable as possible. Please ensure you also complete the consent form via the spider survey.

Panto in a day is returning again to perform Cinderella for the whole school on the 11th December. We have asked for a small payment of £3 which can be made through school spider.

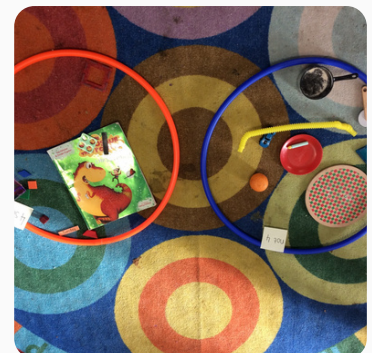
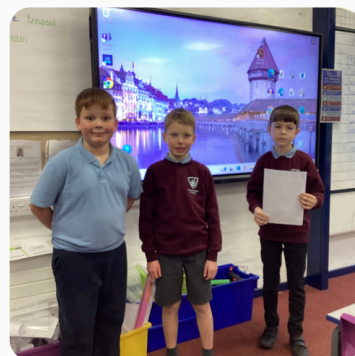
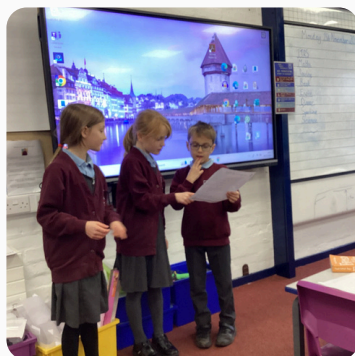
We try to make sure all school trips and events that are organised are affordable and value for money, receiving contributions towards these events enables school to continue to plan and book in these magical experiences for the children. Unfortunately if costs are not met we may not be able to proceed. We want all of our children to have the opportunity to take part, therefore if any parent has difficulties in meeting the cost or requires more time to pay then please contact the school office to discuss the matter in confidence.

Winter weather...

Please take care when arriving at school, with the cold weather quickly creeping up on us the paths to school have been icy in places. We will continue to do all we can each day to grit the playground for parents and children.



Photos of the week





Champions of the Week...

Reception

Quinn - for blending cvc words!

Elsie - for becoming more independent in her learning!

Year 1

Tommy - for fantastic effort in his phonics remembering and using his sounds.

Faatimah - for showing our school value of care.

Year 2

Jonah - For challenging himself in Maths by applying his learning with great reasoning.

Noah - for super work recognising numbers beyond 10 and noticing patterns.

Year 3

Matilda - for always trying your best and learning the story really well.

Josh - For being a good friend and working hard always.

Year 4

Eva - for being a fantastic part of our wellbeing councillors

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Year 5

Leo N - for his fantastic attitude to learning, especially in maths

Harry - for a brilliantly informative description of a mythical creature.

Year 6

Rabeka - for her excellent effort and attitude to learning

Matvii - for his consistent engagement in lessons and sharing of ideas

House Cup weekly Winners



Attendance:

Reception - 92%

Year 1 - 92.4%

Year 2 - 93.2%

Year 3 - 95.7%

Year 4 - 95.4%

Year 5 - 98.1%

Year 6 - 95%

**Well done to Y5 for
hitting the school target
of 96%**



Penwortham Star of the Week



Pre School

Alfie - For fantastic art work and always being a super classroom helper!

Maeve - For showing us amazing independent number work in Pre School!