

14TH MARCH 2025

NEWSLETTER

Penwortham Primary School

Week 10

This week has been filled with exciting activities at our school. We celebrated British Science Week, focusing on the theme "Change and Adapt." It was a fantastic opportunity for everyone to engage with science and learn about how everyday things evolve and transform.

On Friday, we also participated in "International Maths Day," which centered around the theme "Mathematics, Art and Creativity." This event encouraged our students to explore the connection between maths and art, inspiring them to create some amazing art projects using mathematical concepts.

On Tuesday, we welcomed families from the Year 5 class to our reading café. A big thank you to all the parents and carers who attended. The library was buzzing with energy as children shared their favourite stories, showcasing their love for reading.

On Monday and Tuesday, Miss Lilley invited parents from Year 1 to observe their children's phonics lessons. This was a wonderful chance for parents to see firsthand how their kids learn phonics, which is essential for reading. We appreciate everyone who could join us and hope you enjoyed watching your children engage in their learning.

On Wednesday, Year 2 had a fantastic trip to Martin Mere. The class learned about various bird species, nests, and baby birds, and enjoyed pond dipping in the afternoon. They represented our school beautifully, and everyone had a wonderful day. A heartfelt thank you to Mrs. Cameron, Mrs. Cullen, and Mrs. McCauley for their support during the trip.

VALUE OF THE HALF TERM CARE

Recommended
Reading Book:



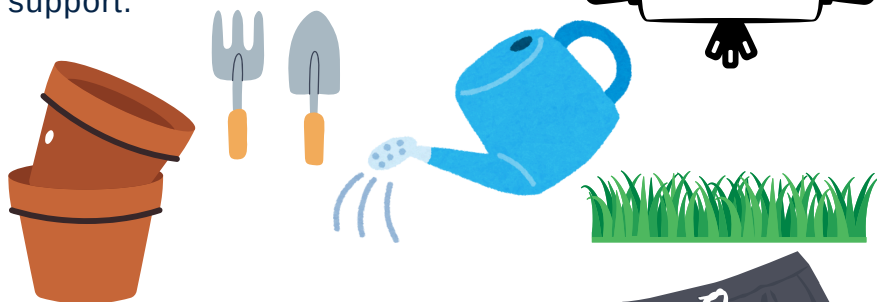
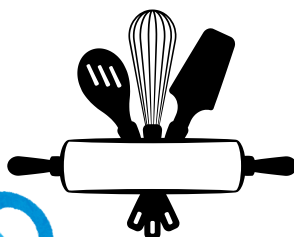
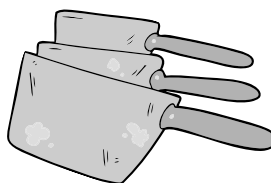
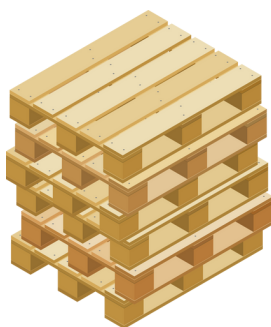


Donation Plea

We are working extremely hard to develop our Early Years outdoor area, Forest School area and our main playground and need the following resources. Please let the school office know if you have any that you would be willing to donate:

Pallets, cable reels, crates, wooden planks (decking boards would be great!) old pots, pans, utensils, baking trays, cake tins etc, guttering, gardening equipment (trowels, watering cans, plant pots) off cuts of artificial grass, bark.

Many Thanks for your continued support.



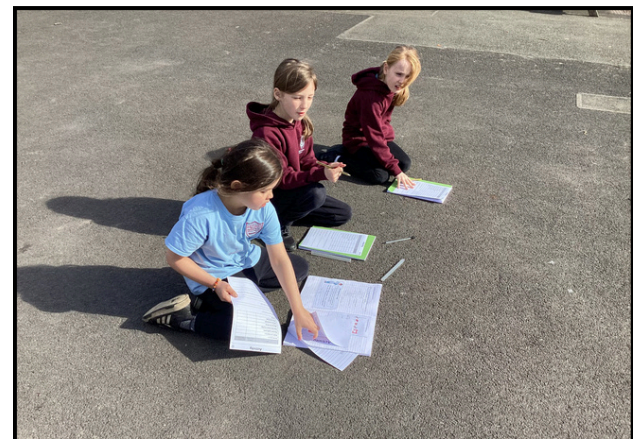
If you have any unwanted clothes in sizes 4-5 or 5-6 that you would like to donate, please consider giving them to our wonderful reception class. We are specifically looking for shorts, pants, and socks. If you have any items to donate, kindly bring them to the school office. Thank you for your generosity!



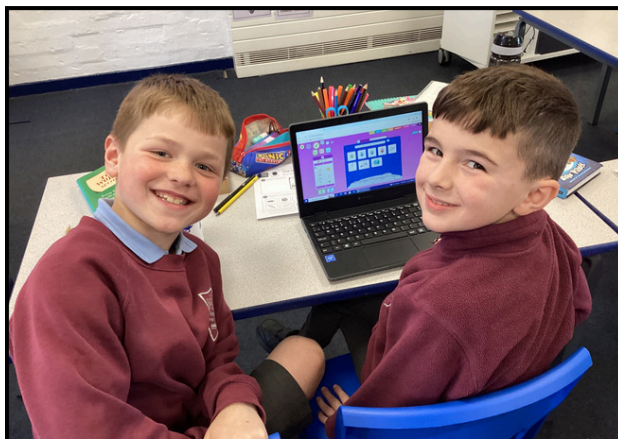
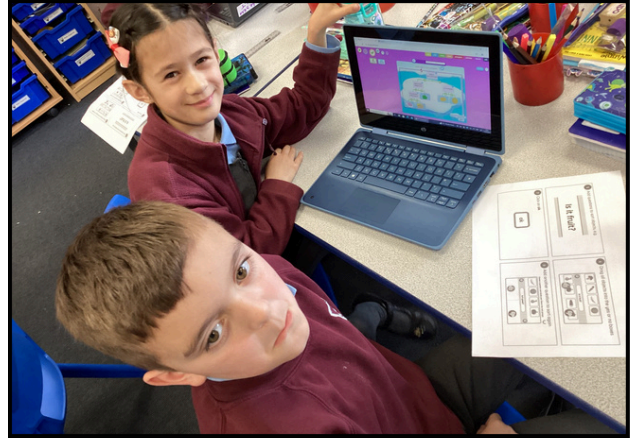
Dates for your Diary:

- 17.03.25 - Y1 Bring Yer Wellies
- 19.03.25 - Y6 Bikeability
- 26.03.25 - Y6 Bikeability
- 26.03.25 - Y3 Additional Parents Evening
- 26.03.25 - Y2 Class Assembly Showcase
- 27.03.25 - Y6 Class Assembly Showcase
- 02.04.25 - Y1 Class Assembly Showcase
- 04.04.25 - SCHOOL CLOSURE 2PM
- 07.04.25 - 21.05.25 - HALF TERM
- 25.04.25 - Y3 Roman Museum Visit
- 29.04.25 & 30.04.25 - Parents Evening
- 05.05.25 - MAY DAY CLOSURE
- 14.05.25 - Y3 Class Assembly Showcase
- 21.05.25 - Y5 Class Assembly Showcase
- 23.05.25 - INSET DAY
- 26.05.25 - 30.05.25 - HALF TERM
- 02.06.25 - INSET DAY
- 20.06.25 - Y3&Y4 Rock & River
- 30.06.25-01.07.25 - Y5 Hothersall Lodge
- 16.07.25 - Y6 Performance
- 18.07.25 - Y6 Leavers Assembly

Photos of the week



Photos of the week





Champions of the Week...

Pre School

Quinn K for her persistence and participation in group activities

Maeve for always working hard and being a caring member of our class.

Reception

Quinn for trying extremely hard with her challenges this week

Penelope for using great vocabulary when talking about the life cycle of a frog

Year 1

Tommy for being more independent in his independent work.

Imogen for trying really hard in her writing this week.

Year 2

Whole Class for representing the school beautifully on the class trip to Martin Mere

Year 3

Tommy for showing such enthusiasm with our Iron Man unit and sharing great ideas

Fynn for making great progress with his multiplication and division

Year 4

Steven for completing his 25m front crawl

Emilia for being the most caring and patient friend ever.

Year 5

Ayden for showing a great maturity and responsibility in everything he has done this week.

Rosa for her endless enthusiasm for learning.

Year 6

Courtney for her positive attitude to learning

Aiyla for commitment to completing work to a high standard

House Cup weekly Winners



Attendance:

Reception - 97.1%

Year 1 - 97.7%

Year 2 - 91.8%

Year 3 - 91%

Year 4 - 96.6%

Year 5 - 94%

Year 6 - 89%

Congratulations to
Rec, Year 1 & 4 for
meeting the school
target of 96%



AMAZING

PTFA EVENTS 2025

JANUARY

31.01.25 - Sweet
Friday

FEBRUARY

12.02.25 -
Valentines Disco

28.02.25 - Sweet
Friday

MARCH

26.03.25 -
Wonderwoman Day

28.03.25 - Make
the rules day £1 &
Sweet Friday

APRIL

03.04.25 - Easter
Fun Run- super kid
day

25.04.25 - Sweet
treat Friday

MAY

Penwortham Live

30.05.25 - Sweet
treat Friday

JUNE

11.06.25 - BBC
Gladiator Visit - Steel

12.06.25 - Superman
Day

Penwortham Gala

27.06.25 -
Sweet treat Friday

JULY

12.07.25 - Music
Festival

18.07.25 - Sweet
treat Friday

AUGUST

SEPTEMBER

08.09.25-12.09.25
- Wonka Week

26.09.25 - Sweet
treat Friday

OCTOBER

24.10.25 -
Autumnal Day /
Fancy Dress

31.10.25 - Sweet
treat Friday

NOVEMBER

28.11.25 - Sweet
treat Friday

DECEMBER

13.12.25 -
Christmas Family
Night
(disco/bongo bingo)

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What Parents & Educators Need to Know about ROBLOX

AGE RESTRICTION
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Roblox is one of the most popular video games among children. In 2020, the game's developers claimed that more than half of the USA's children had played it. As a 'sandbox' title, the game lets players create their own gaming experiences with Roblox Studio to build custom levels, which can then be shared online.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

ONLINE PLAY RISKS

Because Roblox connects random players across the world, it can put younger players into an environment with anonymous users who could use the platform for nefarious reasons. For example, some role-play games are used for online dates and mature role play, which could expose youngsters to inappropriate messages in the public chat box.

MATURE CONTENT

Content is difficult to moderate throughout Roblox, due to the number of games available. This is particularly notable on smaller games and experiences, but in summary, some of the games and experiences offered on the platform contain age-inappropriate content that could easily be seen by young players.

IN-GAME SPENDING

The majority of games within Roblox have extensive monetisation options, usually through season passes or microtransactions. Purchases can range in value from a few pennies up to much larger sums of money. While some games offer a lot of content via purchases, others can offer very little for real world money, causing younger players to end up out of pocket.

ANONYMOUS PLAYERS

The anonymity of users can leave players vulnerable to bullying, harassment, and predatory behaviour. Without the right parental controls or monitoring, users can connect with each other via personal messages or friend requests, and it is very difficult to know who's behind a username in this vast online world.

RISK OF ADDICTION

Roblox games can feature rewarding or satisfying mechanics that keep players coming back – or persuade them to stay logged-in for much longer. Like most games, they focus on interactivity, with constant rewards via in-game unlocks and currencies, which can sometimes lead to an addictive need to remain online for long periods of time.

SCAMS

Many of the games on Roblox feature collectible items, pets, or characters. These objects, while digital, are worth a lot of real money on certain online markets. Scammers will attempt to trade with younger users in the hopes of getting rare items that can be sold for real money, manipulating the child into handing them over, usually via misleading information.

Advice for Parents & Educators

MONITOR THE CONTENT

While Roblox does implement plenty of moderation tools and parental controls, it's up to parents and guardians to monitor the types of games a child or impressionable player is experiencing. If a youngster wants to play Roblox, be sure to check out which specific games they want to play within it, and get a good idea of their content.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF TOOLS

Use the parental controls within the game itself and teach youngsters how to report and block other players. Knowing the powers within their reach will make Roblox a safer, happier experience. You can set age ranges for who's allowed to contact you, close public chat boxes, block spending, and even make your Roblox profile completely private. All these options are helpful in cutting off bad actors from engaging with children.

PLAY TOGETHER

Consider playing Roblox with the children in your care. There are few more effective ways to see how monetisation works, gauge whether the game could lead to addictive behaviours, or even witness how interaction between players works, than sitting down and trying the game for yourself. This should help you figure out whether it's suitable for particular children.

TEACH ONLINE BEHAVIOURS

Have an open conversation about the risks of online play and how to spend money wisely. By being honest and giving tips on how a younger user can protect themselves, you can empower them to not only take care of themselves, but others too. Any user can be reported to Roblox moderators by other players for behaving inappropriately. With this knowledge, younger players can be aware of what to look for and help prevent it.

Meet Our Expert

Dan Lipscombe is a videogame journalist and author of over 20 books on gaming, including books on Minecraft, Fortnite, Roblox, and more. For 15 years he has been writing about his passion for gaming. When he's not playing games, he's talking about them at GAMINGbible.



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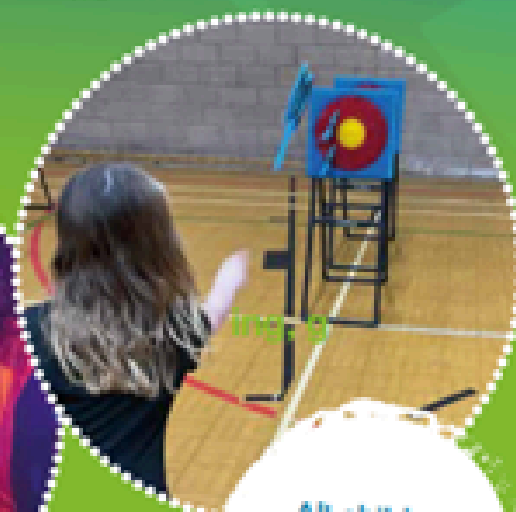


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Monday 14th April - Thursday 17th April

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