



Pendock CE Primary School

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We aim to enable and encourage all those connected with Pendock school to be the best that we can be. By living out our Pride in Pendock values, we strive to inspire children, parents, staff and our wider community to fulfil their potential and enjoy life in all its fullness.

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Dear Families,

Happy Friday everyone!

Another busy week has passed here with parents evening being one of the main foci this week. We're delighted, with a few pending appointments, that we've had 100% engagement 😊 The partnership between school and parents/carers is so important for the children so thank you for all your efforts of support, with both these evenings and in all the other ways that you support your children and the school.

Thank you to the litter pickers that went out this morning to ensure the Spring Chicken course is rubbish free. They couldn't do much about the mud however! The relative dryness this week has helped the course massively. Please see the FOPS section for more details regarding the upcoming run – we are certainly getting excited in school!

Easter Service

We would like to invite you to our Easter Service on Tuesday 19th March, 9.30am @ Pendock Cross Church. There will be a mixture of songs and readings to celebrate Easter. In true Pendock tradition, this is likely to be

followed by an Easter Egg Hunt within the school grounds (we've let the Easter bunny know that the school will be child free during this time!)

End of term assemblies

We would like to invite you to our two end of term assemblies:

Wednesday 20th March at 9.00am – this will be our last Open the Book Assembly followed by a celebration of Mrs Evans' 'life' at Pendock and the chance to wish her the very best for the future.

Thursday 21st March at 8.50am – this will be our final celebration assembly of the term and a chance to wish Ms Powell all the very best for the future.

World Book Day

It was a fabulous day yesterday as we used the book The Word Collector to focus our celebrations around vocabulary! The children looked brilliant in their outfits – there are some pictures on Class Dojo if you haven't seen them already. We had great fun guessing what words we all were! I think the prize for the most unusual word has to go to Ms White. Her word was 'frou-frou' which means either a rustling



especially of a woman's skirt or a showy or frilly ornamentation.

Class 1 News

Happy Friday all! It has been lovely to share the children's progress with you all during parents evening. Class One are doing a super job and we are proud of all the positive attitudes to learning we are seeing.

In maths, the Pentagons have now finished their unit on multiplication and division and have started to focus on measurement. So far, they have been learning to measure in centimetres. The hexagons have continued to develop their place value to 50, exploring tens and ones and number lines to 50 this week. The Reception children have been exploring the composition of ten. They have looked at bonds to 10, in 2 parts and 3 parts.

In English, the Year One and Two children have completed their own story map for 'The Baker's Boy and the Great Fire of London'. Next week, they will be focusing on developing the skills needed to write their own non-chronological report about the Great Fire of London. In drawing club, the Reception children have been focusing on 'Topsy and Tim Meet the Firefighters'.

Class 2 News

The children have been exploring lots of books this week in view of World book day.

Year 5 and 6 have been looking at the poem 'The spider and the fly' and the influences taken from silent movies. Year 3 and 4 have explored the fairy-tale of 'The princess and the pea.'

We have continued our 'through the decades' theme in dance and practised our disco moves as well as looking at the different festivals related to Judaism.

We also look forward to diving into the Iron Age in our topic – we have just two weeks left to go with lots of content to fit in!

Staffing

Interviews took place this week for the role of School Business Manager – there will be further updates in next week's newsletter!

The Early Years role is still out at advert status – the closing date is Friday 15th March. Please share with anyone that you may know to be interested.

Friends' News

We're on the final countdown to the Spring Chicken Run on Sunday 17th March. Sign-ups close on Thursday evening, so please head over to www.runpendock.co.uk if you haven't already entered. The 10K race is nearly full, but there are still places available for the 1km and 5km.

One final plea - we'd love to receive any cake or sweet treat donations on Friday 15th for us to sell at the event, also fresh chickens' eggs to give out as prizes, thank you!

Any more offers of help to marshal or sell refreshments, or to set up after school on Friday will also be appreciated, thank you to all who have already offered.

Wishing you a restful and hopefully dry weekend.

Team Pendock

Future Dates for Your Diaries:

- Sunday 17th March – Pendock Spring Chicken Run
<https://www.entrycentral.com/runpendock>
- Wednesday 20th March – celebration of Mrs Evan's life at Pendock
- Thursday 21st March – final celebration assembly
- Thursday 21st March – Pupils' last day (Friday 22nd March is a TED)
- Monday 8th April – Summer term begins