Penwortham Primary School 15th September 2023

Puzzle Day – As part of our launch into the new school year we have a focus on our school values. This term we are focusing on the values of **problem solving, curiosity and resilience**. On Wednesday all the children took part in a Puzzle Day.

Year 6 leave for their residential trip on Monday. They have 3 nights and 4 days at Borwick Hall and will enjoy various outdoor and adventurous activities.

Next Friday is our **sports day!** Parents are invited to come along and support everyone Reception, Y1 and Y2 in the <u>morning @10am</u>, Y3,4,5,6 <u>afternoon</u> <u>1.15pm</u>. PTFA will be providing refreshments and there will be a sale of preloved uniform. Cash only please.

PTFA – the AGM will be held on Monday 25th September 7.30pm at Sir Tom Finney pub (near Sainsburys, corner of Birch Drive and Central Drive). Everyone is welcome!

Do you remember our **Eco Council** organised fun run last eyar which raised funds for Ripple Africa? We received this message in school today:

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR TREE PLANTING AND FOREST CONSERVATION PROJECT



Thank you Penwortham Primary School for your generous donation of £328.54. This will plant an amazing 1,314 trees!

Lots of tree farmers have been busy planting their seeds and are now starting to see them germinating. In the coming months the tree nurseries will be full of thousands of seedlings, all growing strong ahead of being planted out during the rainy season, which can start from December.

Did you know that for every tree planted, we protect three in an existing forest? With all of this tree planting, Forest Conservation Committees have reported lots of natural regeneration in their areas which is wonderful. So thank you again for supporting this project.



Dates for your diary:

Penwortham

Please check regularly as dates and times can change. September:

18th to 21st Year 6 residential visit 22nd Sports Day – Reception, Y1, Y2 morning 10am, Y3,4,5,6 afternoon 1.15pm.

26th Forest School Y1 and Y3 27th Year 6 class assembly @3pm-Parents welcome.

October:

3rd Mad Science assembly 9th Skipping Jumprope Day

11th Hand washing workshops

Half term 23rd to 27th October November:

1st and 2nd Parents Evening 3.30-6.30 16th – 20th Scholastic Book Fair 28th Flu vacinations

December:

8th Pantomime theatre group in school 11th KS1 and reception Nativity 2pm 12th KS 1 and reception nativity 2pm 18th KS 2 Christmas production 2pm 19th KS 2 Christmas production 6pm 20th Christmas Lunch and party day 21st End of term assembly. **Close**

@2pm.

Extra curricular clubs this half term:

Thanks to staff who are leading clubs this term.

- Football club/competition Thursday Y5/6
- o Drama club Thursday Y1 -6
- Rugby Tots YR,1,2 Tuesdays
- o Football club for Y1-6 will start at the end of September with Pro-Soccer
- Tag Rugby Y5/6 Friday

Well done to the football team, trained by Mrs Lambert and Wolfe who competed in their first matches this week, winning one, drawing one and losing two.

High school open days for Year 5 and Year 6 – Penwortham Priory have their open evening next Thursday from 4pm to 8pm with Headteacher's speeches at 5pm and 6pm and Penwortham Girls' High Open Evening event will be on Thursday 5th October with 2 bookable sessions. 5.00pm-6.30pm and 6.30pm-8pm.

<u>Please ensure that you have the School Spider app downloaded onto your devices</u> – this is the main method that we will use to share any information – messaging service, email, news, updates. It also allows you to order school lunches, sign up for trips and visits and to pay online. Please relay this message in Whats App groups and help us get everyone better informed! Thank you.

Stay and Play for children aged from birth to 4 are welcome to come along to our Friday morning sessions. There is a small charge to help cover costs of £2 per child. The sessions start at 9.15 and finish at 10.30am. We welcome everyone from the community to come along. This half term we are joined by coach lan from Rugby Tots as well as having lots of toys, games, arts and crafts available. Please note that on

School Meals – please use the school spider app to order school dinners each day. This makes our morning registration much quicker and enables to have more learning time with the children.

School admissions now open

If your child is in their last year of pre-school/nursery* you can now apply for their primary school place at: <u>www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools</u>. It's quick and easy to do and you will receive email confirmation of your application. You must apply even if you already have siblings in school.

The closing date for primary applications for September 2024 is 23:59 on 15 January 2024.

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Please see communication below from **the Child Accident Prevention Trust**. They are asking agencies to help spread the message that these products (water beads) can be dangerous and shouldn't be used with small children. **Keep water beads away from young children (capt.org.uk)**

https://capt.org.uk/keep-water-beads-away-from-young-

children/?utm_source=capt&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=waterbeads&mc_cid=b6b4d1b8c3&mc_eid=59 bbcda127

Free educational resources | Child Accident Prevention Trust (capt.org.uk)

Champions' of Learning

Well done to the following pupils who have excelled in their learning this week:

Reception: Ruby for showing kindness to her friends. Connor for excellent listening. Year 1: Jonah for using different strategies in maths to represent numbers. Cerys for always being ready to learn. Year 2: Tabatha for being an active learner in everything. Fynn for showing curiosity in our science lesson about seeds and bulbs Year 3: Oliver for identifying the bones of the human skeleton. Caleb for being his personal best. Year 4: Flynn for his focus and determination in written work. Thomas for his great knowledge and reasoning in science. Year 5: Year 6: Joshua for a high level of participation and enthusiasm in learning. Oscar for his role model behaviour in class and around school.

Congratulations to the following pupils who have been elected as House Captains for the coming year: Joshua and Martha Team Wyre Luna and Oscar Team Douglas Daniel and Ellie Team Hodder Emma and Percy Team Ribble

Thankyou to the following pupils who are showing their Personal Best by acting as school buddies: **Elodie, Charlotte, Amaya, Arthur, Bobby S, Harry T, Benjamin**



Open Evening - Thursday, 21 September

