



Monday 28th February 2022

Newsletter Number 5 – Spring Term 2022

Dear families,

Welcome back!

Welcome back to school after the half term break. I hope you had a good week. Spring is definitely in the air and hopefully warmth and sunshine is on the way!

COVID update

As you know, the guidelines for managing COVID have changed. In short for schools this is not the expectation;

- There is no longer a **legal requirement** for people with coronavirus (COVID-19) infection to self-isolate, however if you have any of the main symptoms of COVID-19 or a positive test result, the public health advice is to **stay at home and avoid contact with other people**.
- Children and young people with COVID-19 **should not** attend their education setting while they are infectious. They should take an LFD test from 5 days after their symptoms started (or the day their test was taken if they did not have symptoms) followed by another one the next day. If both these tests results are negative, they should return to their educational setting if they normally attend one, as long as they feel well enough to do so and do not have a temperature. They should follow the guidance for their educational setting.
- In most cases, parents and carers will agree that a pupil with the key symptoms of COVID-19 should not attend the school, given the potential risk to others. If a parent or carer insists on a pupil attending your school where they have a confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19, you can take the decision to refuse the pupil if, in your reasonable judgement, it is necessary to protect other pupils and staff from possible infection with COVID-19

PTA Cake Sale winners

My goodness – our cake sales went down a storm! Thank you for your support for the 4 events in supplying and buying cakes. As you can see from the prices below years 5 and 6 were the winners! As winners each class will be given an afternoon treat of their choice with some funds for treats!

Nursery and Reception - £93.70

Year 1 and 2 - £157.80

Year 3 and 4 - £171.10

Year 5 and 6 - £221.21

PTA meeting

Just before half term the PTA met and put together this half terms events and reviewed everything done so far. It was a very busy meeting and was discussed and planned.

PTA School lottery

You may not be aware of your PTA School lottery. This is organised through Your School lottery and you can sign up to support this through the website buying at ticket at just £1 each.

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/pensby-primary-school>

At this time there is an additional prize of a £500 Bicycle Voucher;

“Spring is in the air, and it's time to think about getting out and about. That's why we're giving you the chance to win £500 to spend on new bicycles”



PTA Spending goals

You may not know that the PTA pays for one of the 3 sets of class ipads we have in the school. This costs the PTA £1091 and benefits every child in the school.

Miss Grant requested funds for poem books and prizes for World Book day for all the children and this was agreed.

Recently £3000 was spent on new playground sports equipment so that every class could have it's own stock of good quality and age appropriate equipment. The PTA agreed to pay £2000 towards this.

PTA Events this term

Quite a few events have been planned for this term – a film night, a sponsored pancake toss and an Easter egg hunt! Details of these events are at the end of this newsletter.

PTA pre loved uniform!

Our fabulous PTA have been sorting the many bags of pre loved school uniform we have had donated. If you have any good quality used uniform, you can send this to school (ready washed pleased) and the PTA will sort it and advertise on the 'Uniformerly' website. You can then go on, see what uniform there is and the very low prices being asked and purchase the uniform for your child. Each Friday the PTA will look at the purchases made that week and pack them up ready These will then be sent home or you can collect them the following Friday.

To look at the current uniform on sale go to <https://uniformerly.co.uk/> and search for Pensby Primary School in the 'Find your school' section of the website.

Wirral Mental Health Team

The link below will take you to the latest newsletter from Wirral's Mental Health Team (number 41).

Parents Meeting appointments/phone calls

You will have received an email just before half term guiding you to booking either a phone call or face to face meeting with your child's class teacher. Please bear in mind that for some of our larger classes, these appointment slots will quickly fill and when they do we will contact those families who have not had an appointment with an alternative offer.

On Wednesday 9th March you are invited to come into school and look at your child's books, with your child if you wish. We anticipate that school will be very busy from 3.30pm and those of you who wish to be socially distant at this time are advised to attend after 4.15pm when it will be quieter. Under our new COVID guidance we can now offer this as we did in the past and allow you to come into the school as you wish to view your child's books. To allow for the staff to make final set up arrangements, we will ask you to enter via the main entrance and exit this way too from 3.30pm.

Dates for the term

It is a short half term – but very busy!!!

DATE	TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
Wednesday 9 th March	3.30 to 5.30pm	Families invited into school to view their child's books/work	Organisation details are in this newsletter
Monday 14 th March Tuesday 15 th March	8.30 to 10.00am and 1.30 to 3.00pm	Parent evening phone call appointments	Details of how to book have been emailed to families
Wednesday 16 th March	2.30 to 5.30pm	Parent evening appointments in school	Will be held in the school hall.
Thursday 24 th March	6.00pm	PTA meeting	In staffroom
Monday 28 th March	All day	Kings Camp in school	Each year group to have a focus session – to promote being active.
Tuesday 29 th March and Wednesday 30 th March	All day	Sponsored pancake toss!!	Sponsor forms will be sent home on Friday 18 th March – start practicing!!
Wednesday 30 th March	3.30- to 5.15pm	Film Night	Each class will be choosing it's own film – party tea!! £4.75 – we will let you know when it is on Parent Mail!
Friday 8 th April	All day	PTA Easter Egg hunt	Free for all children!
Friday 8 th April	SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR EASTER BREAK		

And finally,

Welcome to Mrs Parry in year 1 – she is such a happy, friendly member of the Pensby family and is loving meeting all the children and their families.



Mrs K Brown, Headteacher