



Friday 30th September

Good afternoon,

We hope you have had a lovely day away from school. Teachers have been working hard developing their understanding of the 'Talk for writing' process and are enthused to embed the process during English lessons – more info to follow.

It's amazing to think just how quickly these first four weeks of term have whizzed by. Thank you for all the wonderful donations for our Harvest assembly which will be donated to the Godmanchester food bank. During our Harvest assembly we learnt about how important food production is and how different religions celebrate harvest time.

This week, lots of year groups have been on a walk in the village to see the Queen's memorial book at Papworth church where they found out more about the Queen's faith, Christianity.

Have a lovely weekend.

All the staff at Pendragon.



Dates for your diary

- Open Reading lessons for Y3-6 Monday 3rd October 9am (30 minutes)
- Hilltop parent information evening for Year 5 and 6 - Wednesday 5th October 5:30-6:00pm (on Teams)
- Friends AGM Monday 10th October 7pm
- Flu vaccine Reception Year 6 Tuesday 11th October
- Open Phonics lesson in Year 1 Tuesday 11th October 9am
- Individual photo day Wednesday 12th October
- Open Phonics lesson in EYFS Thursday 13th October 9am
- Open Reading lesson in Year 2 Friday 14th October 9am
- Parents evenings wc 17th October
- Year 1 trip to Duxford Thursday 20th October
- Wear it pink day Friday 21st October
- Year 6 Faith tour Wednesday 16th November
- Children in Need Cake Sale Friday 18th November

Visit our website:

http://www.pendragon.cambs.sch.uk/website

'An investment in knowledge pays the best interest.'
Benjamin Franklin

Education Inclusion Family Advisor Newsletter September 2022

Parent workshops - free

Please see below our list of workshops that the Education Inclusion Family Advisor service are delivering this term, starting weekly from Tuesday 11th October, from 12-1pm.

- Supporting with feelings of worry –
 11th October
- Supporting with feelings of anger –
 18th October
- Support for managing conflict for separated or separating parents/carers – 8th November
- Digital safety 15th November
- Parental well-being 22nd November
- Supporting with feelings of worry –
 29th November
- Supporting with feelings of anger –
 6th December
- Sleep 13th December

To book, please use the link below for the booking form:

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One of our beloved chickens is poorly at the moment so we are wishing her a speedy recovery.



Do you have some spare time? Parent volunteers

We would be very grateful for any time that parents/ carers/ grandparents can spare. If you are happy to apply for a DBS through the school, please speak to the school office or drop the office an email. We would really appreciate support with 1:1 reading and gardening. Thank you!

Open Reading lessons

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you into school for the parents' reading and phonics workshops. Please note that we ask that younger siblings do not attend the session and that no more than one adult per family attend. Please drop your children as normal and enter through the front office. If you need to visit more than one KS2 classroom during the timeslot you may more between the two rooms. Staff will be on hand to guide you if needed.



WEAR IT PINK DAY!

Non uniform day in aid of Cancer research. All children are invited to make a voluntary contribution of £1 if they can.

Friends update

Our fabulous Friends of Pendragon met this week and have agreed to fund an outdoor classroom and a library revamp. This will be funding through grant applications and fundraising events. We know that with the cost of living crisis that families may not be able to spare as much donation money therefore we are trying to keep costs to a minimum.

Images of possible designs for the outdoor classroom.



Please see the proposed dates for events this term:

October:

10.10.22 AGM @school 7pm

13.10.22 KS1 movie night

18.10.22 KS2 movie night

21.10.22 Pop up shop

November:

4.11.22 Pumpkin carving competition

29.11.22 Committee meeting December:

2.12.22 Wreath making

3.12.22 Christmas trees for sale

House Captains

Well done to all of our year 6s who applied for the roles of house captain and vice house captains. The speeches were excellent and it was very hard for our children to pick.

Blue house – Stanley and Ben

Yellow house – Henry and Sophie

Green house – Freddy and Chloe

Red house – Aiden and Fleur



Special educational needs

We apologise but the senco email address has not worked as well as we had hoped and therefore we ask that you contact our SENCO directly at

kdailly@pendragon.cambs.sch.uk for SEND enquiries.

Communication

Effective home-school communication is really important to us. We understand that we are introducing changes at the moment to improve our school and we are committed to improving our communication with parents and carers.

We ask that if you require a meeting with a member of staff, that you call or email the office to arrange a time that is mutually convenient as we are not usually available during the school without prior notice. Thank you for your continued support of the school.

A reminder to please complete the consent form for the flu vaccinations on Tuesday 11th October (must be completed at least two working days before). Click here for the link https://eastanglia.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2022/cambridgeshire



Safeguarding spotlight

Steps to take to help your child stay safe online

- Have an ongoing conversation: Continue to talk about the apps, games and sites they like to use, and what they like and don't like and any concerns about being online. Discuss with them when to unfollow, block or report. For help starting this conversation, follow the link:
 - https://saferinternet.org.uk/blog/having-an-open-and-honest-conversation-about-online-safety-5-questions-for-parents
- Make sure they know where to go for support: Remind your child they can always speak to you or an adult they trust if anything happens online that makes them feel worried or upset. Remind them that they won't be in trouble at that you are there to help. For a breakdown of report services, visit: https://www.internetmatters.org/report-issue/

Useful online safety websites for parents:

National Online Safety – safety guides on ALL aspects of internet use https://nationalonlinesafety.com/

Internet Matters – wide range of online safety advice for parents to keep their children safe on -line.

https://www.internetmatters.org/report-issue/

If you have any safeguarding concerns please speak to one of our Designated safeguarding leads or send us an email.



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Safeguarding spotlight

National Online Safety App – download today



Hundreds of online safety guides

Instant access to all of our award-winning guides, absolutely free, providing advice and guidance on the latests apps, games, platforms and devices.



Free parents course

Made up of four mini-courses, our online safety course for parents & carers focuses on how children from age 4 to 18 will use, engage with, and potentially be at risk by their online activity.

https://info.nationalonlinesafety.com/parentkind

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