



Weekly Newsletter

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A Message from Miss Burke

Thank you to all the children, parents and staff for a warm welcome this week. I am excited to be here at Penketh Primary and look forward to working as part of the Penketh team moving forward. I'll be



popping into classes and around school at lunch times, pickups and drop offs, so please feel free to come over and say hello in the forthcoming weeks.

Miss Burke

PE Kit Reminder

Just a reminder to parents' that the correct kit should be worn on PE day, as follows;

- **Plain white t-shirt or polo shirt**
- **Either black shorts, leggings or jogging bottoms**
- **Trainers**
- **Navy hoody (plain or with the Penketh emblem)**

** If you are struggling to finance school uniform please contact the school office to discuss further.*

Congratulations to:

Reception: **Ryder**

Year 1: **Charlotte**

Year 2: **Louis**

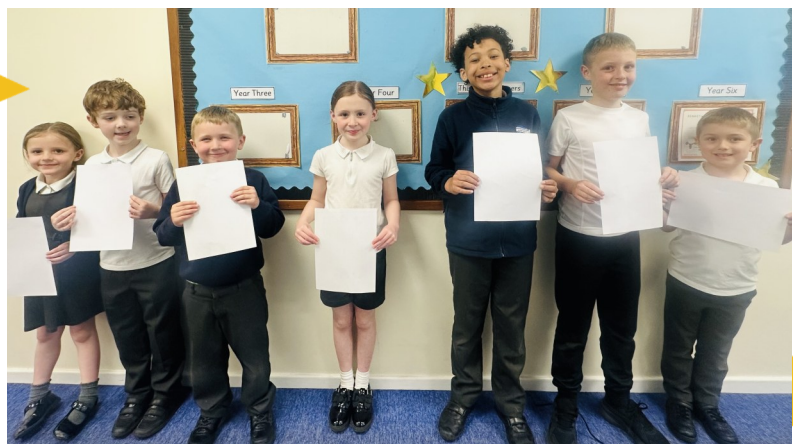
Year 3: **Harry**

Year 4: **Lily R.**

Year 5: **Jacob**

Year 6: **Kahlil**

STARS OF THE WEEK



ATTENDANCE



| Reception | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 95.8% | 99.6% | 95.1% | 96.9% | 97.9% | 98.0% | 94.1% |

OUR LEARNING

In Reception...Reception have returned to school ready to learn! We received a letter from Mr Johansson, he told us to read his favourite book 'Oliver's Vegetables' and help him to plant seeds. We got to work straight away, writing a list of what we will need to do and preparing our planters ready to start planting next week! In our Creative Area, we have been creating symmetrical butterflies using paints and folding our own paper! In Maths, we have been busy using the numicon to make number bonds to 10 and writing the number sentence. Well done Reception!

In Year 1...Year 1 have made a wonderful start to the Summer term! We have been investigating 2D and 3D shapes in Maths, identifying their names and their properties. In English, we have begun to read our new text, 'The Secret of Black Rock'. We have been making predictions about what we think might happen based on different clues. In Science, we are beginning to learn about plants and have started by labelling the parts of a plant. We are excited to do some planting next week! In our PSHE work, we have been looking at people in the community who help us.

In Year 2...Year 2 have settled into their 1st week of the Summer term. In Maths, this week, we have shaded different fractions shapes. We have also revisited our shape knowledge and discussed properties of 2D shapes. In English, we have completed our own fact files and have done such an amazing job! In Science, we have recapped different parts of a plant and learnt about garden and wild plants!

In Year 3...This week in Year 3, we have made a great and enthusiastic start to our Summer term! In English, we have started looking at our first text 'The Forgettery' by Rachel Ip. We have been discussing the importance of memories, and delving deep into the story! In Maths, we have been continuing our learning on fractions by making a whole or a half, placing fractions on a number line, and equivalent fractions. I am so proud of your determination during this topic. In RE, we have been learning about family and our duties within these. In PSHE, we have been learning about healthier choices in our lives.

In Year 4...Welcome to the summer term! The children have had a lovely first week back. They have loved reading their shared reading text this week, 'The Boy At The Back Of The Class', and starting work on 'The Journey' in English. They have been introduced to improper fractions and mixed numbers and, of course, are continuing all their times table work. In Science, they have started work on states of matter and were fascinated by our experiment this week and in Geography, they have learnt about the four parts of the earth and how mountains are formed. A busy week!

In Year 5...Year 5 have had a brilliant week back! Both Miss Silver and I have been really impressed with the children's attitude to learning this week. We have learned about why we have summer and winter solstices in Science, which we loved! In English, we started our new book, 'The Lost Book of Adventure' and have written a character description based on this, and in Maths we have finished fractions by solving tricky problems and we have started our new topic all about decimals. Well done Year 5!

In Year 6...This week in Year 6, we have been working hard across a range of subjects. In Maths, we have focused on statistics, exploring how to interpret and present data using line graphs, dual bar graphs and pie charts. Alongside this, we have revised key skills in adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing fractions to strengthen our understanding and confidence. In English, our focus has been on spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG). The children have been revisiting important rules and practising the correct use of tricky terminology and vocabulary to support their writing. Well done to everyone for their continued effort and focus this week—keep it up!

OTHER AWARDS

Whilst we love hearing about children's awards and achievements outside of school, we will now be celebrating this in the classroom, instead of in the school hall. Children will still get the opportunity to share their achievements with their peers, but photographs will no longer appear on the school newsletter every Friday. Certificates, awards and trophies should be brought directly into classrooms ready to show to the rest of their class and teachers on Thursday afternoon.

Thank you for your continued support.

REMARKABLE READERS

Rec: Betsy Year 4: George
 Year 1: Zozan Year 5: Lexi
 Year 2: Alice Year 6: Emma
 Year 3: Caleb



Mega Mathematicians

Rec: William Year 4: Ray
 Year 1: Cameron Year 5: Kaiful
 Year 2: Mya Year 6: James
 Year 3: Abel



LUNCH MENU W/C 20/04/26

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|---|---|--|---|---|
| Vegetarian Sausage Roll, Herby Diced Potatoes and Baked Beans or Vegetables | Pork or Vegetarian Sausage, Yorkshire Pudding, Mash with Vegetables and Gravy | Pasta Bake with Vegetables | Chicken Goujons, Fish Fingers or Quorn Nuggets and Chips with Vegetables or Baked Beans | BBQ Chicken or Quorn, Potato Wedges and Sweetcorn |
| Jacket Potato with various fillings | Jacket Potato with various fillings | Cheese or Cheese and Ham Panini with Salad | | Jacket Potato with various fillings |
| Cooks Choice Dessert | Cooks Choice Dessert | Cooks Choice Dessert | Cooks Choice Dessert | Cooks Choice Dessert |

DIARY DATES

Diary Dates for the Summer term will be issued in due course.