

11 June 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

A warm welcome back after half term. I hope that you have managed to spend some quality time with your child during the half-term break, in amongst their #Revise50Hours challenge in preparation for the Pre Public Examinations (PPE). I have been very impressed with the Year 10 students' work ethic since returning to school as they look to maximise their learning time ahead of sitting the exams.

Pre Public Examinations Commence

The PPEs will start on Monday next week and run until Friday 25 June. I would like to thank you for your continued support in helping your child prepare for this experience which will leave them in a strong position moving into Year 11.

New Cohort of Prefects

With the recent departure of Year 11, the prestigious baton of Prefect duty now passes to Year 10. Massive congratulations to all those who were selected by Mrs Razzell to wear the black and blue ties that identify prefects. We look forward to seeing them proudly represent the school over the coming year.

The second phase of Senior Prefect selection is on Monday 14 June, where students will be given the opportunity to work together on a selection of activities including problem solving and team building whilst also being able to showcase their leadership skills. After this day, six out of the twelve students will then be invited to attend an official interview process involving Head of Year, Mr Thomas and Ms Adams.



Rainbow Run for Children's Hospice South West

I am excited to announce that Penrice Academy will be taking part in the School Challenge 'Rainbow Run' in aid of Children's Hospice South



EVERY CHILD SUCCEEDS

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West. This will take place in one of your child's PE lessons during the week of Monday 21 - Friday 25 June - students will be informed as to which lesson/date next week. All students will be issued with an official coin card (also next week) and will be encouraged to raise what they can. Please note that there is no set expectation/limit and that the rainbow run is a fully inclusive fun event for Team Penrice students.

On the day of their event, pupils can bring in alternative clothing to change into for their PE lesson only. The brighter the better, but no hair colouring/paint will be permitted, as they have to return to their lessons. Please ensure that this is not taken advantage of as it is meant to be a fun event for all. There will be no skating/riding allowed due to logistics, health, and safety. It will follow a similar format to 'The interform Run', but they do not have to run it competitively, unless they choose to do so. Students will be asked to bring in their collection coin cards on the day and place them into one of the collection buckets at the start of their PE lesson.



Covid Testing

I would like to finish by following up on my letter to parents that was sent out earlier this week, with a reminder on the importance of regular testing. Please continue to remind your child to test on a Wednesday and Sunday evening and report all results on the NHS and Penrice website links.

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Please also continue to remind your child of the importance of maintain social distancing at social times and regular use of hand sanitiser.

Kind regards,



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