



Parent Update 27 May 2022



Lucy Gambier Headteacher

Dear Parent/Carer,

It has been a whirlwind, fast-paced start to the summer term and our students can now look forward to a week of rest during half-term.

There have been some fantastic achievements since we returned in April with students embodying our core values of Pride, Respect and Success. To name just a few key highlights - we've

celebrated Ten Tors success, both Boys' Athletics teams clinched the county title for their age category, and our Year 11s are currently excelling themselves in their GCSE exams.

And when we return for the second half of term, there will be plenty more opportunities for success and making lifelong school memories! We'll be looking forward to: Sports Day, Curriculum Enrichment Week (CEW), KS3 Enrichment Days, The Year 11 Ball and GCSE Results Day. However, one of our first key milestones when we return is announcing our new Senior Prefect positions – including that of Head Students. Phase 2 of the process continued on Thursday and Mr Toms shares further details below.



Kevin TomsNewly Appointed Head of Year 10

Year 10 Enter Phase II of Senior Prefect Selection

A select group of aspiring Year 10 prefects headed to Carlyon Bay Beach yesterday as part of their senior prefect application process.

The day, which will contribute towards the decision-making process for Head Students (in June), saw our Year 10s enjoy a wide range of teambuilding exercises including ice-breakers, knot tying, blindfolded guidance games, puzzles, logical team thinking challenges and a group discussion on what they thought made an effective team.

Students are now invited to apply for a range of senior prefect roles over half term. Final decisions will be made roughly 2 weeks after half term.













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Transition Information for Parents of Year 6
Children Joining Penrice in September

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Respect Success

Mr Paul Johnson, next year's Head of Year 7, has shared an information video for parents of students who will be joining us in September 2022.

A summary of the upcoming key dates is as follows:

- Primary school visits by Penrice staff: 6th June 21st June
- SEND Transition Day: 29th June
- Welcome Day: 4th July
- Welcome Evening: 4th July
- Welcome Meetings: 5th July 15th July
- Summer School: Dates TBC
- First day of Year 7: Monday 5th September

Further information and updates will be shared on the <u>Penrice Transition Hub</u>.

Charity Quiz and Cakes

To celebrate entering half-term and to raise funds for this year's chosen charities, Years 8 and 10 were offered the chance to take part in a Quiz and Cakes event during one lesson today. Students divided themselves into groups of no more than 6 to answer a broad range of trivia questions.

There were smiles all around and it was a great way to end the week.

Parent Governor Positions Filled

Thank you for your interest in the recently advertised Parent Governor vacancies. We received numerous expressions of interest and two parents followed through with applications. With two positions available, there is no requirement for a ballot/voting process.

We look forward to sharing a short bio from each parent in upcoming newsletters.

Please note that we're still on the lookout for skilled professionals to join us as Community Governors – if you know of someone then please pass on the message. Individuals do not need to have previous experience in working in education or being a governor. The following is not a definitive list, but if they have expertise in areas such as Business Management, Finance, Marketing, Education, Law, HR, or anything else we've missed, then we'd love for them to get in touch via this page on the website.

Have a restful and enjoyable half term. **Lucy Gambier**





