



Parent Update 6 May 2022



Lucy Gambier Headteacher

Dear Parent/Carer.

You will have noticed that we've recently changed the way in which we communicate with you in these Parent Updates, sending them via SMS message. This is in response to the recent Parent Voice Survey and we welcome all feedback on this pilot/trial. You can share your thoughts via marketing@penrice.org.uk.

There are plenty of announcements this week. Like last week, we will begin with messages that affect all parents before moving on to messages related to specific year groups.



A big thank you to those who registered an interest in our Parent Governor positions following the registration window closing at 23:59 on Thursday.

We will be in touch with all applicants in the very near future with further instruction.



Kirsty Taylor Head of Year 7

Year 7 - Science Fair

As part of our charity fundraising for the RNLI, our wonderful Year 7 Council, led by our Academy Reps, Aoife and Dylan, and our Year 11 Prefect Lead, Emily, hosted an amazing Science Fair.

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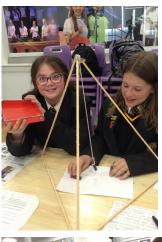


Donna McGrath
Individual Care Plan
Coordinator/First Aid Instructor

Free Sanitary Products Reminder

A reminder that Penrice Academy is part of <u>The Red</u> <u>Box Project</u>, offering free sanitary products to all girls.

Sanitary products are available self-service from the Medical Room as well as other stations located around the school.





Year 7 Science Fair





Year 7 - Science Fair (continued)

Students in Year 7 designed their own exhibit and showed them in the hall. The rest of Year 7 visited the exhibition and were given incredible demonstrations and well-informed talks by each of the competitors.

Exhibitions varied from lava lamps to crystal power, magnets, invisible ink, optical illusions and the strength of interlocking books! Several of the demonstrations were hands-on and all were well researched and educational.

This was the first Science Fair Penrice has ever hosted and both the organisation of the fair and the competitors' participation was phenomenal. The whole event made me a very proud Head of Year!

Winners will be announced in assembly and prizes presented to the top 3 exhibitors as judged by members of our Science team.

A huge well done to the competitors: Riley, Charlie, Kian, Dennan, Amaleen, Ava, Matilda, Samuel, Freddy, Rosie, Emily, Lucy, Henny, Everlyn, Levi, Tallan, Daniel, Peter and Jack! All absolute superstars!





Year 8 - Options Brochure Now Live

It was great to welcome so many faces to Penrice earlier in the week for our Year 8 Options Evening.

Over three-quarters of the year group attended the event which presented an opportunity to explore subjects of interest by speaking to course teachers and Year 10 pupils on their experience.

The Year 8 Options Booklet is now available on the <u>Penrice website here</u>, as well as a full timeline for the next steps.

If you would like to share any feedback from the event then please email your thoughts to marketing@penrice.org.uk.

Year 8 - Virtual Progress Evening

Earlier this week, <u>a letter</u> was sent out regarding the upcoming Year 8 Virtual Progress Evening on Thursday 12 May.

A guide to booking appointments is here.

Book a Virtual Appointment





Paul JohsonActing Head of Year 10

Year 10 - Walking Talking Mocks

Congratulations to Year 10 on the way they have conducted themselves and approached the Walking Talking Mocks this week. We hope that your child has found the experience useful in sharpening their exam skills, helping them to plan and write successful answers for maximum marks.

Apprenticeship Job Fair Thu 19 May 5pm - 7pm

Meet local employers recruiting apprentices now

At Cornwall College Camborne or St Austell







Success



Tanya Coleman
Deputy Headteacher

Year 10 – Additional Tutoring

Year 10 students up and down the country have experienced a turbulent two years with Covid-19 causing significant disruption to their learning. But this shouldn't be a barrier to success.

To help pupils catch up, we are delighted to be offering targeted additional after school tutoring for students who need extra support in specific subject areas. Hour-long sessions will be delivered by Penrice teachers to groups of no more than 3 students.

These additional small group tutoring sessions have been part-funded by the government and further subsidised by Penrice to ensure there is no cost to parents.

Letters will be sent home to parents of selected students in the near future.



Marie Thomas LIC Manager and Year 11 Team

Year 11 - Ball Arrangements Atlantic Hotel, Newquay: Thursday 23 June 2022.

Preparations are well underway with our Retro Themed, Gold and Black Ball. The Ball Committee have been working hard to ensure that this year's Ball will go in history as the best yet.

Arrivals at 5.30pm, finishes at 11.00pm. Tickets are available on Parent Pay and need to be purchased by Friday 13th May, together with the student seating plan for tables.

Year 11 - Final Week

We look forward to giving our Year 11 students a send-off to remember on Friday next week with an exciting day planned which includes a celebration assembly and a silent disco. We will be sure to share lots of photos on social media and in these parental communications.

Despite our exciting plans, we have not lost sight of the fact that exams start from Monday 16th May. Year 11 have been reminded to stay focussed throughout next week to make the most of some final, crucial teaching hours.

Year 11 - Yearbook



Throughout this week we have been taking group photos of our Year 11s for their Yearbook by the Longstone. We've also been searching through the archives to find pictures from the start of their Penrice journey back in 2017. It's safe to say that there will be lots of giggles and laughter when we show some of them in the final Celebration Assembly next week!



Have a lovely weekend and good luck to our Ten Tors competitors who take on their final challenge on the moors over Saturday and Sunday - **Lucy Gambier**







