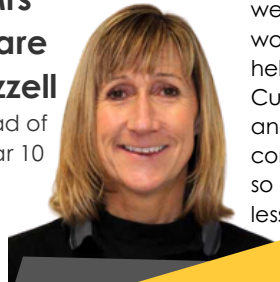


Message from Head of Year

Mrs Clare Razzell
Head of Year 10



Happy new year and a warm welcome back to the TEAM of 2025. Our Autumn term saw us achieve over 20,000 merits which is just one accolade to demonstrate how amazing this group of students are. We also enjoyed lots of activities outside of the classroom including celebration assemblies, dodgeball, just dance off's, green team activities, cake bakes, raising money/donations to our local food bank, board games, Penrice +, D of E, sport representation and much, much more. If you have any ideas on how your child has expressed to be rewarded then please email me on crazzell@penrice.org.uk it would be great to hear from you. On to pastures new...Spring term is set to be an opportunity for new beginnings & experiences. We will be introduced to the 'Raising Standards Team' who will help to facilitate our learning journey and prepare us for our first 'Prompted Exam Experience' at the start of February. We will also be introduced to Career Pilot, which will provide valuable skills such as CV, letter writing/applications and start to prepare the TEAM of 2025 for their upcoming life journeys. At the end of the year we have WEX to look forward too, it is imperative that each and every student has the opportunity to secure a work experience placement. Thank you for your support and please do not hesitate to get in touch if you need help and or guidance. On top of all of this our personal development character themes have included Courage, Curiosity, Resilience and Curiosity. For this term, we will focus on 'Integrity, Autonomy, Community and Creativity' and there will be lots of opportunities to develop these essential skills for life both in and out of the classroom. To conclude, with the school production of Oliver, Math Challenges, Spanish/French Plays, Sports, Penrice +, we have so much to look forward to this term, as well as alongside the amazing teaching and learning that occurs in every lesson. Wish us luck, it is going to be another busy and exciting one 😊.

What to look forward to?

At Penrice we believe in providing our students with exceptional opportunities to support their **wider development** and **experience new things**.



French & Spanish Plays
25th & 26th March



Snowboarding Trips



NEW
Robotics & Future Tech Club
Drama Club
Penrice+ Baking



Penrice+ Find Your Extra
Spring Term Offer
Over 40 different clubs to choose from



Year 10 Maths Fest Challenge
28/2
SPRING TERM SPORTS FIXTURES & CLUBS



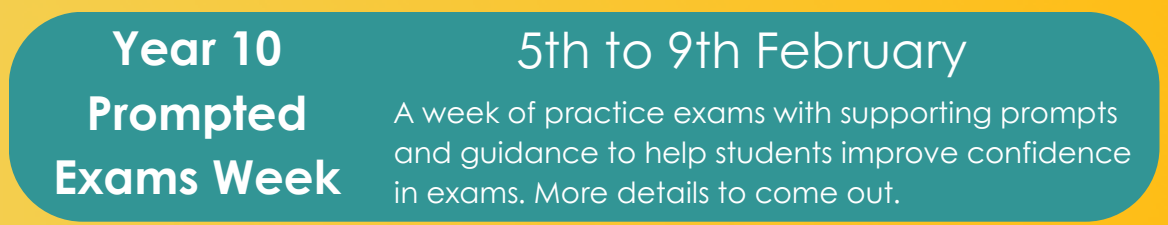
National Careers Week
4th - 9th March



Oliver! JR
5TH - 7TH MARCH
Tickets on sale soon!



Mr Gavin Thomas
Assistant Headteacher



Year 10 Prompted Exams Week
5th to 9th February
A week of practice exams with supporting prompts and guidance to help students improve confidence in exams. More details to come out.



Year 10 Progress Evening

Thursday 21st March

Meet with subject teachers to discuss the progress your child has made across the year. Email enquiries@penrice.org.uk if you want updates sooner.

What is my child learning about this term?

Character Curriculum	Personal development - Integrity, Autonomy, Community and Creativity. This will be delivered during tutor sessions and students will get the opportunity to learn about these virtues and how they can assist their personal development journey. Raising Standards (GT/RW) and Careers Pilot (JH) will also be delivered during tutor time.
English	Power and Conflict Poetry - Students will analyse and compare the anthology poems that cover a range of time periods, including 'The Emigree' and 'Tissue'. Students will explore comparisons between the context, structure and linguistic devices of poems within the cluster. Macbeth - Explore and analyse the plot, characters, key themes, methods and context of the play, Macbeth.
Maths	Ratio and Proportion - Extend on their ratio knowledge, students will learn to formulise proportional relationships with the use of algebra and the unitary method. Prompted Exams - Students will start to look at full GCSE papers within Maths, with carefully-designed prompts. Area / Volume / Similarity - Students will be given the opportunity to revisit, revise and extend their understanding of area, volume and similarity of three dimensional shapes.
Science	Homeostasis and Response - Learn all about how we respond to changes in our environment to maintain optimal internal conditions. Quantitative Chemistry - Quantitative chemistry is all about calculating how much reactant or product is used or made during chemical reactions. Rate and extent of Chemical reactions - Learn about how to increase the speed of chemical reactions to maximise the products formed. This is particularly useful in industries where they rely on their products to make profit.
History	Early Elizabethan England - Learn about Elizabethan culture and society. They focus on Elizabethan education, leisure, poverty, exploration and the colonisation of Virginia. Superpower Relations - Learn about the early Cold War, from 1941-1956. Examine how tensions increased during and after WWII and how Europe became more divided.
Geography	Urban Issues & Challenges - Students will learn how UK urban spaces are changing. Students will study Plymouth, Devon as an example of a changing city. Students will evaluate the sustainability of this urban environment.
French / Spanish	Teenage life - Learn vocabulary related to social media, music, new technology and music festivals. Use the present continuous and present subjunctive tenses. Daily Life - Learn vocabulary related to free-time, sports, daily routines and chores.
CLASS & RE	Worldviews - Christian theology in A Christmas Carol. Relationships - The role of intimacy, Managing conflict and pressure, persuasion and coercion. Health and wellbeing - Binge drinking and influence.

To find out what students will be learning in their open options please visit our curriculum section of the school website

And get more detailed information about what your child will learn



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