

Message from Head of Year



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Head of Year 8

Following a fantastic start to the academic year, we have a very exciting term ahead. As we move through the spring term Year 8 have two trips planned. One to see a production of Romeo and Juliet at the Hall for Cornwall and a trip to the Eden Project. We are also fortunate enough to have visiting productions, performing a French and Spanish play for our students. I am particularly looking forward to watching our amazing school production of 'Oliver' with lots of our amazing Year 8 students in the cast. There are also some great new additions to the Penrice Plus offer based on student feedback. It's always great to see so many Year 8s attend. Our Character curriculum for this term will start by focusing on Integrity and Autonomy. We want our students to develop into well rounded young adults and Year 8 are well on the way in that journey.

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**.



YEAR 8 THEATRE TRIP
FIRST ENCOUNTERS SHAKESPEARE FOR YOUNGER AUDIENCES
THE PERFECT INTRODUCTION TO SHAKESPEARE
ROMEO + JULIET
WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE EDITED BY ROBIN BELFIELD
23RD FEBRUARY



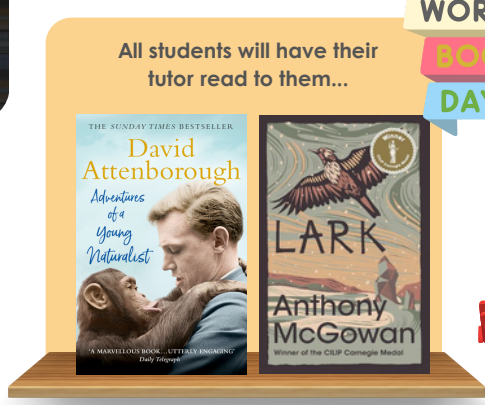
NEW
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Oliver!
TICKET
5TH - 7TH MARCH
Tickets on sale soon!



WORLD BOOK DAY
All students will have their tutor read to them...
David Attenborough: Adventures of a Young Naturalist
LARK by Anthony McGowan



French & Spanish Plays
25th & 26th March



27/28TH MARCH

YEAR 8 EDEN PROJECT TRIP



Year 8 Options Evening

Thursday 2nd May

(In Person)

Year 8 Progress Evening

Thursday 9th May

(Online)

What is my child learning about this term?

English	From the Front Line - Analyse a range of WW1 and WW2 fiction and non-fiction texts to explore the viewpoints of a range of eminent writers. Merchant of Venice - Study Shakespeare's Merchant of Venice focusing on how the antagonist.
Maths	Averages - Consolidate and extend their understanding of averages. Fraction Arithmetic - Calculating with fractions, learning why effective calculation methods work. Percentages - Gain an appreciation of the multiplicative properties of percentages
Science	The Earth - Learn about how the Earth is structured and the composition of the atmosphere. Genetics & Evolution - Learn about the basic structure of DNA and how this links to variation Plants - Plant reproduction and how plants are adapted to do a key process of photosynthesis. Waves - Understand the science behind sound and light waves.
History	1900-present - Students learn about the long and short-term causes of WWI, before learning about the war itself. Students learn about support for the war, key battles, life in the trenches, the impact of soldiers from our Empire as well as injuries and medicine.
Geography	Developing World - Students learn about how countries develop and change over time. Students understand reasons why some countries are very wealthy and some countries exist in poverty. Students will study the Horn of Africa region.
French / Spanish	All about sports - Learn vocabulary about sports using verbs in the present and past tense. At the movies - Learn vocabulary about TV & Movies, expressing and justifying opinions and describing story lines.
Computer Science	Coding - This unit aims to take the learners from designer to project manager to developer in order to create their own mobile app. Using App Lab from code.org, learners will familiarise themselves with the coding environment and have an opportunity to build on the programming concepts they used in previous units before undertaking their project
Art	Future Planet - Learn how to produce observational, first-hand drawings, and consider then how these drawings link with Cappa's work and futurism. Then design a composition to reflect their ideas for the Future of our planet.
Drama	Missing Dan Nolan - Explore the features of Theatre in Education as a performance style, using Missing Dan Nolan as an avenue for this.
Music	Rocking with Chords - Through the medium of Rock 'n Roll music, students will develop their knowledge of chord progressions and understand the primary chords used in compositions.
Food Technology	Grains and Starches - Learn about grains and starches, first considering what they are and then learning how they gelatinise. Students will also learn about different dietary requirements, the difference between allergies and intolerances.
Design Technology	A Step in Time - Learn how to research a design brief, then using iterative design to create a manufactured product. Students will learn about the properties of polymers and the safe use of machinery.
CLASS	Relationships - Discrimination in all its forms, including: racism, religious discrimination, disability, discrimination, sexism, homophobia etc. Health and wellbeing - Attitudes to Mental health and emotional wellbeing and digital resilience. Brook - Body image and puberty
RE & World Views	Islam - Learn about how Islam is often misrepresented in the mainstream media, discuss the issues surrounding the state of Israel and explore the importance of the Qur'an.

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