



PENSHURST C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents & Carers,

Thank you for sharing in our Harvest service, We think you will agree that it was full of joy and there was an abundance of good spirit and generosity all round. We hope that the brilliant rendition of 'riding tractors' sung by Oak class will become a new Penshurst tradition.

A huge thank you to our incredible PTA for their help and support during our prospective parents' open afternoon and school tours this week. As always, they went above and beyond to help make the afternoon such a welcoming and positive experience for our visiting families.

A special mention for the delicious baked goodies donated. Your personal contribution helps us showcase the very best of our school and gives prospective families a real taste of our wonderful community.

Thank you to everyone who attended our first parent consultations of the academic year. We know the team appreciate the time to meet with you, reflect on how the children have settled into their classes, celebrate progress and agree on next steps in learning.

Thank you for helping the consultations run so smoothly. Your punctuality and consideration meant that appointments stayed on time. We really appreciate your help in making these meetings work so well for everyone. If you have any follow-up questions following your consultation, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher. Alternatively, if you would like to discuss anything relating to any additional needs or further pastoral support in school. Mrs Hamill will be available for meetings on **Thursday 22nd October and Thursday 5th November**. Please contact senco@penshurst.kent.sch.uk to arrange a time.

The colder mornings and increasingly damp, autumnal weather are certainly making themselves known! We want to ensure that the children can continue to enjoy their outdoor play whatever the weather, so please could you make sure they have the following available in school:

A change of shoes

A spare pair of joggers or waterproof trousers

A suitable coat for outdoor play

Having these items to hand makes such a difference and helps us ensure that children can get outside, enjoy their playtimes and return to learning feeling comfortable and warm.

It was lovely to share in Harrison and Luca's racing success in our Star of the Week celebrations today and I was able to describe Imogen's wonderful performance, playing young Anna in Frozen at the Bob Hope Theatre. We are so proud of all the children and welcome their contributions to our celebrations each week. Please encourage them to share, big or small, it is the happiest part of our week!

A little reminder that **next week is a four-day school week** as we reach the end of our first half term.

Friday 23rd October: INSET day – school closed to pupils

Monday 2nd November: School reopens

We hope you all enjoy a restful half-term break when it arrives. It has been a busy and productive start to the school year, it will be wonderful to have a little time to recharge and enjoy the changing season. Clocks go back on Sunday October 25th this year.

Warmest wishes, Mrs Hamill and Mrs Elliott

STARS OF THE WEEK



MAPLE CLASS

Richie: For showing great determination to use his new sounds

Rowan: For showing growing confidence and patience and resilience

ELM CLASS

Henrietta: For incredible independent writing

Beatrice: For excellent listening skills

BEECH CLASS

Njal: For having a mature attitude in class and working well with his peers

Parker: For showing great resilience in DT and taking pride in his work

Harrison: For being kind and helpful and setting such a good example to others

Annabelle W: For excellent partnerwork and friendship

OAK CLASS

Nate: For infectious enthusiasm and passion for learning

Alfie: For excellent sewing in DT

Franki: For always demonstrating determination in every task

Noelle: For being kind and considerate, a great role model always!

Weeks 6&7
Term 1 2026-27



Going for Gold



Week 6

Maple Class: Banba, Nola, Richie, Rowan

Elm Class: Mia, Beatrice, Bella, Harry, Louis, Ettie

Beech Class: Annabelle W, Annie, Harrison, Amelie, Njal

Oak Class: Coco, Luke, Franki, Nate, Lily, Freida

Week 7

Maple Class: River, Rowan, Nola, & Florence

Elm Class: Mila, Beatrice, Archie, Luca, Rupert, Vinnie

Beech Class: Finley, Elliott, Parker, Njal, Lukass, Annie, Annabelle, Izzy

Oak Class: Max, Alfie, William, Freida, Lily, Noelle



TAKE A TOUR OF OUR SCHOOL



Open Tours – Reception 2027

Tuesday 3 November 10a.m.

Thursday 19 November 10 a.m.



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