



PENSHURST C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL



Dear parents

THIS WEEK'S NEWS



Dear Parents,
Welcome to Term 3 and a slightly belated Happy New Year to you all. I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas break.

We have had three new children join us this term. In Maple Class we welcome Rafe and Serafina. In Beech Class we welcome Luke. All three children have settled in well and have already made new friends. The warm welcome is extended, of course, to their families – I hope all three children will enjoy their time here.

The term seems to be in full swing – pupils have quickly returned to school life and fully engaged in their learning. I have seen some great work going on across the school. Our curriculum certainly does offer some motivating and engaging areas of learning.

The weather seems to have moved from snow and ice to rain, rain and more rain. Which makes getting outside a challenge but we do all we can to make sure pupils get some fresh air at break or lunchtime. Thankfully we have escaped on the water issues that seem to widespread across Kent. Fingers crossed this remains the case – if there is a change then please check our website and Kent School Closures website for updates and information.

Enjoy the weekend,

Best wishes,

Sue Elliott,
Headteacher.

STARS OF THE WEEK



Maple Class

Serafina for settling in so well at school.

Olwen for demonstrating resilience and determination

Elm Class – Year 2

Raffy for amazing descriptive writing and vocabulary in DT lessons

Amelie for great enthusiasm and determination to do her best.

Beech Class

Year 3 **Jacob** for reading with amazing expression and confidence.

William for showing great confidence and enthusiasm across all school life !

Year 4 **Elliot** for a super start to the new year – positive and focusec.

Luke who has settled into Beech Class so well – you are a wonderful addition!

Oak Class

Year 5 **Franki** for her enthusiasm and determination in gymnastics lessons.

Gilbert for great attention and focus

Year 6 **Willow** for being a great talk partner and showing resilience in maths.

Amelia for adaptability and bravery in music.



Going for Gold

Pupils reaching gold over the last 2 weeks are:

Maple: Rafe, Mila, Henrietta, Isabella, Archie, Vinnie and Olwyn
Elm: Raffy, Amelia, Elliott, Alina, Njal, Amelie, Annabelle, Teddy W, Tommy, Theo, Gabriel, Finley, Inara, Teddy O'B, Tilly, Ffion and Parker.

Beech: Luke, Elliot, Freida, Elwyn, Harrison, Tabby, Annabelle, Nate, Izzy, Jacob, William, Annie, Imogen and Rocky

Oak: Barney, Franki, Ava-Grace, Maria, Isla, Willow, Tilly, Gilbert, Noelle, Zachary, William, Amelia, Luca, Sammy, Bunnirose and Taylor.





Oak Class took part in our first Forest School session today. Great fun was had by all.



Sportacus Awards

Last week a representative from Sportacus came along to our assembly and presented a number of awards for children showing great attitude to the sports they participate in before school.

Well done to them all.

Sportacus offer a range of before school clubs which are always well planned and delivered. Their young coaches are excellent role models to our pupils.



PTFA Coffee Morning
Thursday 5th February 2026
8.45am – 10.30am

The 'Friends' section of the PTFA are continuing their February Coffee Morning tradition again this year. Pupils in Oak Class will be devising a range of interesting games for you to try out. Come along and enjoy the fun!



Open Afternoon

Our next Open Afternoon for parents of pupils in Years 1 to 6 has been moved to Tuesday 24th February. Parents and carers are invited to come into school and see their child's books and learning first hand. The afternoon starts at 2.15pm and ends at 4.30pm.