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Friday 26th September

Issue 3

Mrs Croxall's Message



It's been another fantastic week at Penryn College. Students are gaining a tremendous amount of achievement manager points for showing respect and taking responsibility in their learning.

Our Year 11 Geography students have been in the community carrying out their fieldwork at Portreath and we had a group of Year 9s representing the school at an environmental event: 'Beyond COP21' — students conducted themselves in an exemplary way, with pride. We look forward to welcoming Wellington School on Saturday 27th September for Rugby matches against our Year 7 team. The lovely weather has enabled students to be outside and making use of the facilities. From football on the astro, to chess in the library, the school has been full of learning and activity!

We have a busy two weeks ahead for our parents and carers where you will have the opportunity to come into school; please see next week's details of our parents forum and informal walk arounds for Year 7 and 8 below. We look forward to seeing you there.

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Parents' Forum

We're excited to invite you to our upcoming Parents' Forum, where we'll be introducing one of our key new systems: ClassCharts. During the session, we will:

- Walk you through how to navigate ClassCharts and its key features
- Show how you can use ClassCharts and Showbie to support your child's learning at home
- Share strategies to help your child talk about their learning and reflect on their progress
- Discuss how we're encouraging students to take ownership of their learning

This is a great opportunity to understand how these tools work and how, together, we can support your son or daughter to thrive both in and out of the classroom.

Please come to main reception on Tuesday 30th September 5.00pm - 5.45pm.



We're delighted to see so many families downloading and using the ClassCharts app — a powerful tool designed to support communication between school and home. ClassCharts provides a clear overview of your child's learning journey.

ClassCharts is a great way to start conversations at home, whether celebrating achievements or discussing opportunities for improvement. This term, we've already seen a record number of achievement points awarded. We will continue to share key comments that highlight positive contributions and progress. Of course, all young people make mistakes at times, and when they do, ClassCharts helps us work together to guide us through those moments.

Upcoming detentions will be communicated through the app, encouraging open dialogue about next steps and expectations. Please support us in helping your child take responsibility, including attending detentions.

Homework is also displayed clearly, making ClassCharts a one-stop shop for supporting your child's learning.

Reminder: Join us this Tuesday for our Parents' Forum session focused on ClassCharts and its link to your child's learning. It will be a great opportunity to ask questions and explore how the app can support you at home. Thank you for your continued support.

Communication



Parents' Forum - We welcome all parents and carers to our Parents' forum meetings, they are a fantastic opportunity to meet and talk with staff. The next meeting is on Tuesday 30th September at 5pm.

Headteachers' Clinics - Thursday 3pm - 5:30pm. Please email <u>tsmith@penryncollege.cornwall.sch.uk</u> to make an appointment.

SEND Clinics - Wednesday 3pm - 5pm. Please email vcooper@penryncollege.cornwall.sch.uk to make an appointment.

Head of Year Clinics

Key stage 3, Year 7 and 9 - Tuesday 3.15pm - 5pm

Key stage 3, Year 8 - Thursday 3.15pm - 5pm

Key stage 4 (years 10 and 11) - Wednesday 3.15pm - 5pm

Please email <u>tsmith@penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk</u> to make an appointment for key stage 3 and 4.

Learning Partnership Agreement

We are proud to share with your our Learning Partnership Agreement. We firmly believe that when school works together with families, it gives our young people the very best chance of success.

This has been written through working with our students, staff and Parents' Forum. Please find below a link to the form containing our Learning Partnership Agreement. Please can we ask that you read this agreement and complete the Microsoft Form to confirm this is done. Thank you.

LEARNING PARNERSHIP AGREEMENT

Year 11 Countdown to GCSEs

We will be emailing out letters on Friday 26th September to all Year 11 parents/carers regarding our countdown to GCSEs evening. The letter will include details of the event along with information on how to book on the evening.

5.30pm - 6.00pm - Post 16 Providers Stands in the Main Street (Optional)

An optional opportunity to speak to post 16 providers about the courses available.

6.00pm - 6.45pm - All Year 11 students and parents/carers.

We will be running 3 venues on the evening, when you sign in you will be told which venue to go to.

Exciting news from the MFL department

The MFL team are delighted to confirm that they will again this academic year be hosting a trip to Roscoff in France (July 2026) and Alicante in Spain (June 2026). If you are interested in either of these trips please see a member of the department for a letter or download from the link below. The deadline for returning letters to the team is Friday 3rd October.





Celebrations



Year 9 Students Engage with Climate Action at Beyond COP21

On Tuesday, a group of our Year 9 students attended the *Beyond COP21* event at Truro High School, joining other schools from across the local area. The day was packed with inspiring activities, including thought-provoking lectures, interactive workshops, and an exhibition featuring local organisations such as Truro Food Bank and Cornwall Wildlife Trust.

Students explored pressing environmental issues, shared their ideas for a sustainable future, and reflected on the role young people can play in shaping a better world. A special congratulations goes to Daisy and Amelia, who showed great courage and insight during the panel session, contributing thoughtful and impactful points to the discussion.



Applying for Pupil Premium Funding



We would encourage families to check if they may be eligible for Pupil Premium funding for their child. This provides the school access to further funding in school to support your child in their learning.

Please take the time to check the criteria and complete the form via Cornwall Council, which is available here:

<u>Pupil Preimum - Cornwall Council</u>

If you have any questions regarding pupil premium, please email enquiries@penryncollege.cornwall.sch.uk

Request from the Art and Textiles Department



PLAIN COTTON DUVET COVERS, SHEETS AND PILLOW CASES NEEDED TO REVAMP AND RE-USE IN ART AND TEXTILES

We are very keen to re-use warn, plain cotton duvets, sheets and pillow cases over the academic year.

We want to reduce costs and enable students to learn about how through creativity, we can reduce waste by making Textiles have a new life. If you have anything to donate please contact the Art and Textiles team.

Gphipps@penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk

Coming Soon...



Informal Walk Around for Year 7 and 8 parents/carers - Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th September 3.10pm-5pm

Open Mornings Y6 parents/carers (bookable) - Monday 29th September, Tuesday 30th September and Wednesday 1st October. 9am - 10.30am

Parents' Forum meeting - Tuesday 30th September 5-5.45pm

Year 11 Parents GCSE Information Evening - 7th October from 5.30pm

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