

Penryn College News

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Mrs Croxall's Message



Good afternoon,

We have had another successful sporting week at Penryn College. On Tuesday, we retained the U15 County Netball Champions title and the following day our U16 Rugby team won the county tournament held at Newquay Tretherras. A big well done to all students and staff involved.

It was wonderful to see Year 11 parents and carers on Tuesday's Exams Information evening. Working together for our young people is important and it was great to see such supportive families, thank you.

We are meeting with your student leadership groups next week, please do encourage your child to be involved, there are different focus groups that they can join from anti-bullying, to sustainability. Any new student who wishes to attend can find out more in assembly.

If you haven't already signed up for ClassCharts, please do this weekend, this will become our main way to communicate with our students and their families and we don't want you to miss key information.

Please remind your child to charge their iPads daily and take care of their device. We currently have a large number of iPads awaiting repairs and subsequently, students find themselves without a valuable learning tool whilst they wait.

A reminder of the fantastic variety of clubs and activities we hold, have a look at our list below and see if there is something new your young person would like to try.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Croxall

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In order to log into ClassCharts you will need download the App from your App Store or go to Class Charts online. Please ensure you download the parent version (which has a green background) rather than the pupil or teacher version.

1. Select Sign up from the main page and fill in the form provided. Enter your parent code into the access code field. Please note: Your Access Code is not the same as your password. The access code is only needed for the initial sign up.

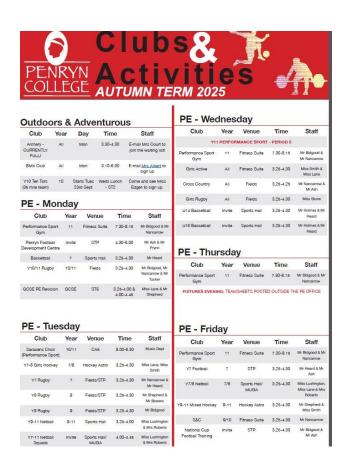


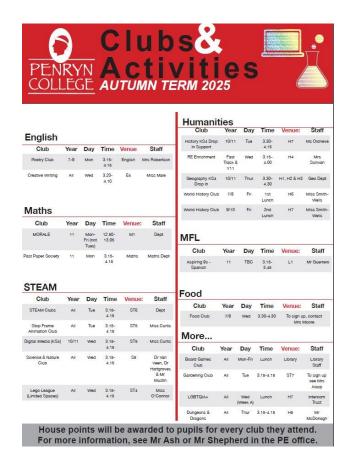
(Please note all priority one contacts were emailed this information on 12th September 2025. ClassCharts only issue one code per family for each student therefore multiple parents/carers can register with the same code.)

- 2. Click on the Sign up button below the form.
- 3. Confirm the pupil's date of birth when prompted. Click on the Date of Birth field and use the date picker to enter the correct date.
- 4. A confirmation message will appear, indicating that the sign up process is complete. Verify your email address to continue.

Further information is also available this guide: Class Chart Parent / Carer Guide.

Club Activities





After School Clinics



Headteacher Clinic - Thursdays 3pm - 5:30pm. Please email <u>tsmith@penryn-</u>college.cornwall.sch.uk to make an appointment.

SEND Clinic - Wednesdays 3pm - 5pm. Please email vcooper@penryn-college.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 kpruetz@penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk to make an appointment for Key Stage 3 and 4.

Canteen Contactless System



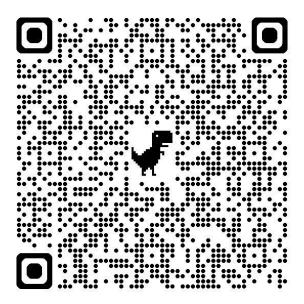
If you haven't done so already, please do sign up for our contactless payment system. Either click on the link below or the QR code.

https://forms.office.com/e/WNtdknmauV

Thank you to those parents and carers who have signed up already, this is helping us to

- Spend less time queuing for food in the canteen
- Spend less money printing cards
- Reduce the risk of losing ID and photo cards

ParentPay payments will remain unchanged.



Paramedic Training

On Friday 3rd October the Potential Medics group were very pleased to welcome Tony Albert from the Paramedic Service and a variety of body bits to an after school resus session. Tony covered basic CPR, use of a defibrillator and use of a bleed kit. Hands-on practice was combined with plenty of top tips and pragmatic advice- we all learnt lots!

Everyone left feeling more confident about what to do in an emergency and with a clear sense of the importance of the first 10 minutes on scene.

Thank you very much to Tony who gave up his time on Friday and made the session so engaging.

If you would like to be part of the Potential Medics group, please join the showbie group DYACV and send Mrs Alsop a message on calsop@penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk







News for the Careers Team

Year 10 Students Explore Careers in Heritage at Pendennis Castle

On Friday 3rd October, thirty-two enthusiastic Year 10 students took part in the *Careers in Heritage Day* at the historic Pendennis Castle, gaining hands-on experience and valuable insights into the diverse opportunities within the heritage sector.

Pendennis Castle, one of Henry VIII's finest coastal fortresses, has stood guard over Falmouth for more than 450 years. With its rich history and stunning views over the Fal Estuary, it provided the perfect backdrop for a day dedicated to exploring careers that preserve and celebrate our cultural heritage.

Throughout the day, students engaged in a variety of practical activities designed to showcase the skills and roles involved in heritage work. The event offered a unique chance to try out real-world tasks and speak directly with professionals working in the field.

One of the key benefits of attending events like this is the opportunity for students to connect classroom learning with real career pathways. It helps them understand the relevance of their studies, build confidence, and spark interest in industries they may not have previously considered. The immersive nature of the day also encouraged curiosity and creativity, essential traits for anyone considering a future in heritage.

Students had the chance to visit a range of engaging stands, including:

- Geevor Tin Mine
- Poynton Bradbury Architects
- The National Trust
- Cornish Metals
- University of Exeter

The Careers in Heritage Day was a fantastic success, leaving students inspired and better informed about the possibilities that lie ahead. A big thank you to Cornwall Education Business Partnership for putting on the event and to all the businesses who took the time to share their knowledge and skills with our students.









Green Futures Challenge

We are looking to enter a team into the Green Futures Challenge. Students will need to be in years 9, 10 or 11 and available for a two hour after school session, once a month. If your child is interested or you would like more information, please email: college.cornwall.sch.uk



Green Futures Challenge

DESIGN. BUILD. INSPIRE.

Reimagine your community

Work in groups to tackle realworld challenges by designing and building a sustainable space your community needs — think schools, hospitals, eco-hubs or business park

LEARN FROM THE PROS

Get expert help from real-world sustainability professionals

PITCH YOUR IDEA

Present your project at our big awards showcase in March 2026





Use tools like Roblox, Minecraft, 3D printing or physical models to bring your sustainable vision to life





Sign-up: tccgpre16@cornwall.ac.uk • cornwall.ac.uk/green-future-challenge

COMPETITION RUNS FROM
Sept 2025 - March 2026
OPEN TO YEARS 9-11 + MAX 10 PER GROUP











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 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>



Important dates for the diary



Careers Fair - Wednesday 22nd October

Inset Day - Friday 24th October

Half Term - Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October

Year 11 November Mocks - Monday 10th November - Friday 21st November

Christmas Concert - Tuesday 16th December

School Closure Day - Friday 19th December

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