

PENAIR SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

I am writing to provide a short update on this term. There have again been numerous successes across a number of year groups over the term.

The school production just before half term was a real highlight with the production completely sold out and audiences of 125 every night. The Drama, Dance and Music department worked extremely hard, and the children loved being involved. Other notable highlights recently have included our sports teams that have enjoyed wonderful success over the first half term. This includes the U16 girls' hockey team who are undefeated and have drawn 2-2 with Truro School, beaten Richard Lander 3-1, beaten Truro High School and beaten Penryn 4-0.

Our year 7 and 8 footballers have also enjoyed success, both of whom beat Falmouth recently winning 6-1 and 5-1 respectively. Our year 10's beat Truro school 2-0 and our year 7 team were narrowly defeated 1-0.

The U13 Boys hockey team qualified for the regional finals which took place on Tuesday 15 March at Millfield. The team lost 3 games, won 2 and drew 1. They did enough to qualify for the Plate Final against Millfield, unfortunately losing 2-0. Their keeper saved at least three excellent shots. To get to the finals the boys beat Queen's College, Taunton, and The Elm's. Mr Trivett has not had a team make the knockout stages in his 17 years at Penair and this is an excellent reflection of the quality of the team.

Our Year 8 Girls Hockey Team played in their first tournament and finished 3rd out of 8 teams with some excellent victories and our year 7 and 8 Netball players have also had some exciting matches.

On Saturday 26 March our cross-country runners were again representing the school. Four Year 7 students travelled down to Helston to represent Penair at the annual Coose Trannack Cross County race. Results as follows: Cara McGrane - 2nd place, Jasper Boeuf - 3rd place, Brennan Elliot-O'Leary - 5th, Tom Simmons - 7th. Another super performance and well done everyone.

The Year 8 County Rugby 7's team won through to the quarter finals in the recent County Rugby tournament.

Our Year 7 hockey team played their first tournament winning 4 matches, drawing one and losing 2. A super first effort and well done to all involved.

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The BBC visited the school on 7 March and ran an excellent roadshow for students in years 8 and 9. This gave the students a real insight into what it is like to work as a presenter for the BBC and they had the opportunity to ask many questions.

Our Combined Cadet Force won the regional round of their annual competition and went onto compete over the weekend of 5 and 6 March in the National competition and came 9th. This is 9th out of over 250 school cadet units. They are beating schools that have had cadet units in place for decades so well done to all involved.

We held our first face-to-face full school assembly for three years on Wednesday 16 March; the school face-to-face assemblies are an important step in restabilising our sense of school community.

Our new build works have been progressing well to the teaching block with the foundations and steel frame having been completed and block work has commenced.

Works to the dining hall have also progressed with foundations having been poured and the steel work is now in place. This programme of works should be completed by 30 September 2022.

I also wanted to highlight to you the start of term dates for next year which are outlined below. We will shortly publish our full school calendar but wanted to give parents early warning for the start of term dates.

- Thursday 1 September - school closed Inset Day for Staff
- Friday 2 September - Year 7 only in school. Academic target setting meeting with tutors for all other year groups (Parents will be able to book a 10-minute appointment with tutors to review the previous year's progress and set targets for the forthcoming year)
- Monday 5 September - term starts for all year groups 8:30am

I hope this information and update is valuable to parents. I would like to thank all of our staff for their hard work this term and for our parental support.

I hope that our families have a restful Easter break.

Yours sincerely,



James Davidson
Headteacher