

Newsletter

Everyone matters, everyone succeeds, every moment counts

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Dear parents and carers,

This week, children have explored pumpkins, made pumpkin soup, explored all things autumn, developed their football skills, made and evaluated windmills, used many skills to design and make healthy wraps, baked seasonal tarts, written non-chronological reports about volcanic eruptions, developed the sewing skills of running and back stitch, compared the absorbency of disposable nappies with moss (as it is believed this is what Vikings used!), visited Spaceport Cornwall and used perfect presentation to publish and share their writing. It was also lovely to see so many families at our Fabulous Finishes!

After half term, we have our parent/teacher meetings online. Please see the newsletter for details of how to book.

I hope you all have a great week and we look forward to welcoming children back to school Tuesday 5th November, as Monday is an INSET Day for teachers.

Mrs Cathy Brokenshire (Headteacher)

We are looking forward to...

Week beginning: Tuesday 5th November 2024

Nursery - Oula	We are looking forward to having a police officer come and visit, to talk to us about how they keep us safe.
Reception - Kroenek	As writers, we are looking forward to starting Drawing Club lessons.
Year 1 - Sort	As historians, we are looking forward to learning how toys have changed through time.
Year 2 - Cwiwer	As historians, we are looking forward to learning all about monarchs through time.
Year 3 - Brogh	As historians, we are looking forward to learning how the Romans changed Britain.
Year 4 - Lowarn	As scientists, we are looking forward to making a model of the digestive system.
Year 5 - Godh	As geographers, we are looking forward to exploring hot and cold climate zones.
Year 6 - Pedrevan	As historians, we are looking forward to learning about WWII.
The Nest	We are looking forward to taking our learning to the next level in all our subjects.

St Dennis Stars

All St Dennis Stars were awarded for **friendship** this week, which is one of our core values.



Oula	Remi-Mai	Brogh	Eva
Kroenek	Louis-John	Lowarn	Max
Sort	Millie	Godh	Evelyn
Cwiwer	Ivy	Pedrevan	Izzy



If you have any safeguarding concerns, please phone the MARU on 0300 123 1116.

Attendance

Attendance for this year is now **94%**.

This week, the class with the winning attendance is: **Cwiwer Class.**



Kroenek	93.9%
Sort	98.3%
Cwiwer	98.8%
Brogh	91.3%
Lowarn	90.5%
Godh	94.1%
Pedrevan	95.5%

They will enjoy an extra special playtime next week,

Lunchtime Awards

Oscar, Darcie and Marlie-Mai received Lunchtime Awards this week for being polite and using good manners.



Growth Mindset Awards

Our Growth Mindset certificates were awarded to Ivy, William, Dakota, Luke, Ethan, Lexi and Lylah this week.



These awards celebrate children who have continued to believe in themselves and be resilient when something has been tricky! It's knowing that they can't do it... yet!

Key Dates - Autumn Term 2

We endeavour to keep these dates the same, but will inform you of any changes at the earliest opportunity.

04.11.24	INSET Day
05.11.24	First day back for children
06/07.11.24	Parent / Teacher Meetings
11.11.24	Anti-bullying Week
12.11.24	Odd Socks Day
14.11.24	Wear blue for World Diabetes Day
15.11.24	Stay Safe Anti-bullying Workshop - Y5/6
20.11.24	Open Morning for Reception 2025 Parents
22.11.24	Wear spots for Pudsey Day
25.11.24	0900 Reception Parent Workshop - RWI 1500 Year 1 Parent Workshop - RWI
26.11.24	1500 Year 2 Parent Workshop - Assessment
27.11.24	1500 Year 3/4 Parent Workshop - Multiplication Tables Check
28.11.24	1500 Year 6 Parent Workshop - SATs
29.11.24	Non-uniform day for a tombola prize 1500 Year 5 Parent Workshop - Arithmetic
02.12.24	Festival of Trees Visit to St Denys Church
04.12.24	Lowarn Class Maritime Museum Visit
05.12.24	Santa's Grotto
06.12.24	FOSDA Christmas Fayre
10.12.24	0930 Rocksteady Concert for Parents and Carers Open the Book Assembly
11.12.24	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day
13.12.24	Y5 to the Over 70s lunch @ The Pitch
16.12.24	1500 Nursery Mince Pies and Songs
17.12.24	14-00 Reception Christmas Performance
18.12.24	14-00 Key Stage 1 Nativity
19.12.24	14-00 Key Stage 1 Nativity
20.12.24	1000 Key Stage 2 Carol Concert @ St Denys Church 1330 - Early finish

Reading Awards

This half term, Mrs Rowe our Reading Champion has awarded certificates to children who have read the most books on Accelerated Reader.



There was also a special award for Godh Class, who collectively read the most words this half term - an incredible 477, 268!



Sports Report

Last week, our Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 football teams played their first fixtures against Treverbyn.

After going 2-0 behind in the first half, the Year 5/6 team managed to pull it back and won 3-2 with goals from Jude and Archie. Finn had an excellent first game in goal and Luke was unlucky not to score after creating lots of chances. Luke and Oli were a solid pair in defence, with Kieran showing great determination in midfield.



The Year 3/4 team were unlucky to lose 4-0, but showed excellent teamwork and encouraged each other throughout the whole game. Kendall, Ellis, Gideon and Ashley-James all took shifts in goal and Ellis made a heroic penalty save! Max, Korban and Kobe showed brilliant energy and perseverance and the whole team never gave up. Ashley-James showed great leadership

throughout.

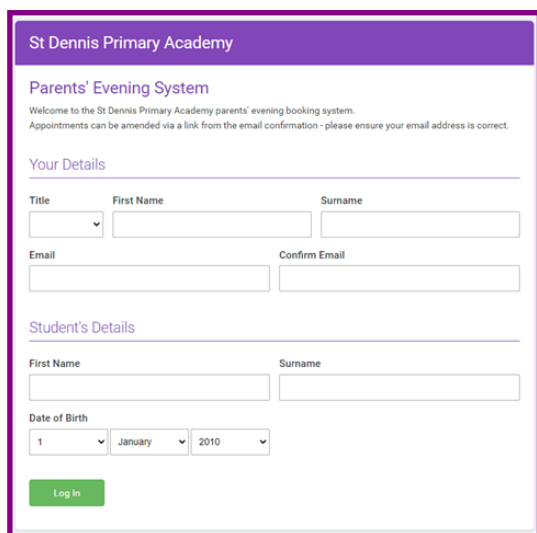
Parent/Carer and Teacher Meetings – Appointments Via Video Call

On November 6th and 7th, we will be holding Parent/Carer and Teacher Meetings. These will give you the opportunity to discuss your child's achievements and what their learning targets are for the coming term.

These will be via a 10-minute video call and the booking process is the same as we used earlier in the year and this will be live from the end of today.

For children who access time in The Nest, please book with the class teacher and Miss Yorke or Mrs Loveridge will join the appointment.

For children in Sort Class (Year 1), please book with Mrs Bateson, and Mrs Lawford will join the appointments.



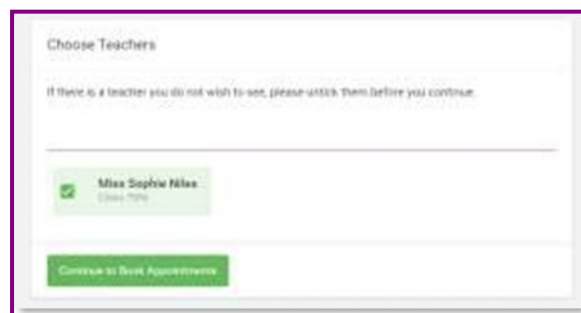
The screenshot shows the registration form for the Parents' Evening System. It includes fields for 'Your Details' (Title, First Name, Surname, Email, Confirm Email) and 'Student's Details' (First Name, Surname, Date of Birth). A 'Log In' button is at the bottom.

To access the booking process, go to the website: <https://stdennis.schoolcloud.co.uk/>. There is also a link to this on our website. You will then be asked some simple registration details. Simply enter your name, email (this is important for confirmations) and some details about your child.



The screenshot shows the 'Video Tutor Evening' booking page. It offers a 5-minute appointment to meet the child's tutor. A date selector shows 'Thursday, 22nd October' with an 'Open for bookings' button and an 'I'm unable to attend' link.

Confirm the day you would like and then choose your child's teacher.

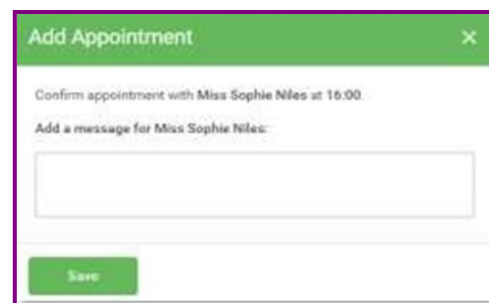


The screenshot shows the 'Choose Teachers' screen. It lists 'Miss Sophie Niles' with a 'Class 7SN' label and a green checkmark. A 'Continue to Book Appointment' button is at the bottom.

Now simply find a suitable slot and click **book**. A confirmation box will appear.



The screenshot shows a grid of appointment slots for 'Miss Sophie Niles, Class 7SN'. The slots are 16:00, 16:05, 16:10, 16:15, and 16:20, each with a green '+' button.



The screenshot shows the 'Add Appointment' confirmation dialog. It asks to confirm the appointment with Miss Sophie Niles at 16:00 and provides a text box to 'Add a message for Miss Sophie Niles'. A 'Save' button is at the bottom.

When you have finished making your appointment, click the link at the top of the page.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the School Office office@stdennis.tpacademytrust.org who will be happy to help.

Curriculum Topics

Oula
Who keeps us safe?



Kroenek
What is a hero?



Sort
How have toys changed through time?



Cwiwer
Who were the great monarchs?

Brogh
How did the Romans change Britain?

Lowarn
Where does my food go?



Godh
What is life like in different climate zones?



Pedrevan
How was the Battle of Britain a turning point in WWII?

Our 'Big Questions' after half term!



St Dennis Primary Academy Open Morning



If you are a parent or carer of a child due to start Reception Class in September 2025, please come and join us at our Open Morning on **Wednesday 20th November**.

Please come to the School Reception between **09:30 and 10:30** to meet Mrs Brokenshire (Headteacher), Mrs Nash (Deputy Headteacher) and have a guided tour of the school by our Year 6 Ambassadors.

Book your visit here <https://forms.office.com/e/Y4dwOCWxCl>.

In February 2023, Ofsted said

'St Dennis is built on strong relationships.'

'Pupils show great enthusiasm for learning, including in the early years.'

'Leaders have high aspirations for all pupils. Staff share their vision. Leaders do what is best for pupils.'

'Parents and carers speak positively about the school.'

Come and have a look and explore our website <https://www.stdennis.academy/> to find out more about us!

Open Morning 2024

