

Following our welcome newsletter at the start of term it is lovely to be able to share with you how well the children have settled into the new academic year. The children are looking smart, engaging very well in their learning and genuinely working hard to be the best that they can be. A super start!

The children have been sharing their exciting stories about what they have done over the summer, and in return we look forward to sharing with you all the opportunities they will take part in throughout the year.

Roald Dahl Day

On Tuesday 13th September we had the most wonderful day celebrating what would have been Roald Dahl's 100th birthday. The children looked fantastic dressed as Roald Dahl characters—thank you for both your support and your creativity!

Here are some pictures of our celebration day...



Pennyman on Twitter

As an academy, and the wider Tees Valley Trust, we are now using Twitter on a weekly basis to share events that are happening within the academy.

You can find us at: [@PennymanPrimary](https://twitter.com/PennymanPrimary)

We look forward to you following us!

Dates for your diary....

Tuesday 18th October: Tees Valley Choir Festival

Friday 21st October: Half Term Begins

Monday 31st October: Children return to the academy

Please see our website for further dates for the year

Parents Meetings

As you are aware, over the last 2 weeks we have held parents meetings for each year group in order to share the national expectations of your child this year. These have been very well received and a huge thank you to those of you who have attended.

We will look to hold future meetings throughout the year, however if you have any queries about your child's learning please do not hesitate in speaking to your child's teacher at any time.

September Focus: Behaviour at Pennyman

Through our newsletters this year we will be taking the opportunity to share with you particular areas of the academy; what that looks like for your child and the sharing of information which will help us all work together to ensure all children at Pennyman can be the best that they can be. This month our focus is behaviour.

At Pennyman Primary Academy, we promote a high standard of behaviour where children, staff and parents are valued. The academy believes in the development of self-esteem, respect for others and self-discipline. Therefore, great emphasis is placed on positive reinforcement of behaviour through praise, encouragement, incentives and rewards.

Rewards at Pennyman.....

- * Penny Points
- * Stickers
- * Certificates
- * "Star of the Week" awards
- * Priority subjects of the week e.g Reader / Handwriter / Mathematician
- * Attendance awards for each key stage
- * Praise, in class, in assembly or by the Head Teacher for good work or behaviour.
- * Share good work with another class or member of staff
- * Parents informed of good behaviour and work



Pennyman Behaviour

1.  A verbal warning
2.  Time out in class
3.  Time out in another class
4.  Time out with school leader
5.  Sent to HT or DHT

Our five steps approach is a clear system we have in place to support children in making the right choices.

It is important to us that you are aware of how well your child is behaving at the academy. With this in mind, from next week we will be sending home information letters on a half termly basis to inform you of your child behaviour; both positive or a cause for concern. We will also inform you in writing, as well as in person or telephone, should your child reach a stage 4 or 5 on the behaviour chart.

We want all children to feel happy and safe at the academy and a clear behaviour policy supports this. If you have any queries regarding the behaviour policy at Pennyman please contact us here at the academy.

I look forward to sharing with you what I know will be another hugely successful year here at Pennyman.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs K Barkley