



# Penicuik High School

## Monday 5 December 2022

Information Bulletin  
for Students

### **ASSEMBLY - MONDAY 5 DECEMBER**

A visitor is coming in to school today to deliver assemblies to S4/5/6 on how to use Achieve as an extra study tool. Achieve will be an extremely valuable tool to support your study for prelims and final exams. The times of these assemblies are below and do not clash with any prelims:

**S4 13.50 - 14.30** - can students please register with their class as normal and then come down to the assembly hall and sit with your class for the assembly.

**S5/6 14.40 - 15.30** - can students please register with their class as normal and then come down to the assembly hall and sit with your class for the assembly.

**Please bring your Chromebook as there may be time at the end of the assembly to access Achieve.** Thank you.

**Mr Dewar**

### **SENIOR PRELIMS - EXAM ARRANGEMENTS**

Students with additional arrangements for prelims that have been agreed with Support for Learning, please check with the Support for Learning department for details of their exams. Information can also be found each exam day on the notice board next to the Support for Learning office in the Library corridor.

**Ms Colqhoun**

### **LIBRARY CLOSED**

Please note Library closed due to prelims December 5 to December 14. Reopens Thursday 16 December. Those recording medicines I will come to you during period 6. Apologies for any inconvenience.

**Mr N Smith**

### **CHRISTMAS SPIN S3-S6**

Monday's after school and Friday Mornings 7.20-7.50am. Double house points and a prize for anyone who makes it to all 5 remaining spin classes in December.

**Miss McShannon**

### **CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY – FRIDAY 9 DECEMBER**




We are going to have our annual wear a Christmas Jumper Day/Christmas 'dress up' Day in line with the Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day Charity and all donations will go towards this charity. It is optional to wear a Christmas Jumper or dress up and please also only donate if you can. Register teachers will collect all donations on Friday 9 December.

**Mr Dewar**

### **BIG 5 FOCUS OF THE WEEK**

Following the assemblies two weeks ago, the focus for this week is feedback. Please read the slides shown below to understand what feedback means, what it might look like, and why it is important! Look out for opportunities to use feedback on your learning this week, and keep your eyes peeled for next week's focus.



<p><b>Feedback</b></p> <p><b>What is it?</b></p> <p>Anything that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Helps you understand how well you are meeting the success criteria</li><li>○ Helps you understand what you need to do to meet them better</li><li>○ Gives you something to do in response</li></ul> 	<p><b>Feedback</b></p> <p><b>What does it look like?</b></p> <table><tr><td><p>From your teacher:</p><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● written comments</li><li>● spoken comments</li><li>● Highlighting where you've met the criteria / where you haven't</li></ul></td><td><p>From your peers:</p><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● written comments</li><li>● spoken comments</li></ul><p>From yourself:</p><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Using success criteria or examples to see what you need to do next to improve</li></ul></td></tr></table> 	<p>From your teacher:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● written comments</li><li>● spoken comments</li><li>● Highlighting where you've met the criteria / where you haven't</li></ul>	<p>From your peers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● written comments</li><li>● spoken comments</li></ul> <p>From yourself:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Using success criteria or examples to see what you need to do next to improve</li></ul>
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<p><b>Feedback</b></p> <p><b>Why does it matter?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Good feedback has a very positive effect on learning</li><li>● Feedback helps you understand exactly how to improve</li><li>● Responding to feedback helps you to take ownership of your own learning</li></ul>	<p><b>Feedback</b></p> <p><b>What can I do about it?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Act on it! Feedback won't help you unless you do something with it, e.g.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Redraft a piece of writing</li><li>● Have a go at some more questions on the same topic</li><li>● Go back to the success criteria to see how you can improve</li><li>● Etc.</li></ul></li></ul> 		

**Mr M Smith**

### **S2 ARTWORK FROM LAST YEAR**

If anyone would like to collect their Artwork from last year to take home, they can pick up their folder from the window sill in the Art computer room, where they are arranged in class piles.

This includes all of your beautiful clay tiles.

**The Art Department**

### **TRACK AND FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS**

If you would like to enter the Scottish Schools Indoor Track and Field Championships then please contact the PE department for further information. The event takes place on Tuesday 31 January and Wednesday 2 February at the Emirates Area in Glasgow.

PE have details of the events you can enter along with the minimum required entry times, distances or heights. The closing date for entry with the PE department is Wednesday 7 December.

**Scott Montgomery**

**Active Schools Coordinator (Penicuik)**

### **VACCINATION FORM RETURNS**

**Returns are very slow** - S3 students, and S4-S6 catch-ups, are asked to return their signed permission forms to the school office THIS WEEK. Thank you.

**Mrs Davidson**



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### HOUSE DODGEBALL COMPETITIONS

These are taking place every day next week. Everyone is welcome to participate for house points or spectate and cheer their house on!

If you don't have PE at the following times then please go to your timetabled class and your teacher will bring your class to the PE department.

S2 Classes Tuesday p4

S3 Classes Wednesday p4

S4 Classes Thursday p1

S5/6 Classes Friday p1

S1 Classes Monday p6 **(12 December not the 5th!!)**

It would be great to see as many participants/spectators as possible.

**PE Department**