



# Penn Fields School Newsletter

Where every moment is a learning opportunity and that every moment matters

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## Wellbeing Day

Last Friday, Penn Fields celebrated Mental Health Awareness week as a school. Children and staff wore green and took part in activities such as wellbeing walks, sensory and creative activities.



## Parent / Carer Parking

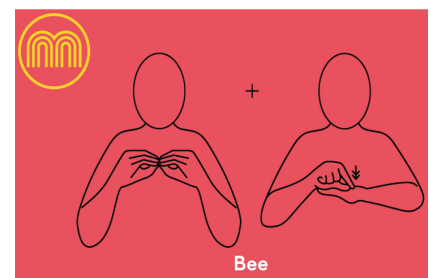
Thank you for supporting the parking procedures that have been put into place to keep our children safe during drop-off and collection times. A reminder please, that parents / carers who drop off and collect their child by car to take extra care when parking onsite. **Please only use the allocated parking bays on the bend** to avoid double parking with the school transport and to help safeguard our children.



This weeks sign of the week is **Bee**.

For more information about Makaton, videos and signs of the week please visit:

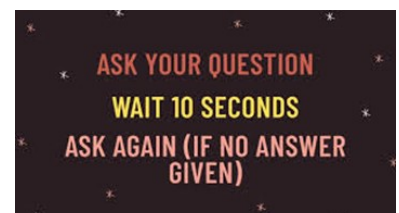
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The 10 second rule.

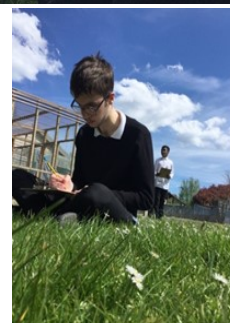
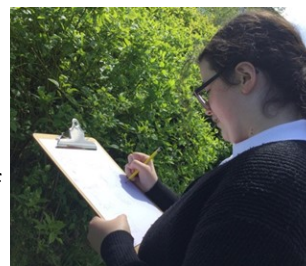
The 10 second rule is where you ask a child a question, Pause and count to 10 in your head before asking another question or pushing for an answer if they don't respond.

This allows the child time to be able to listen, process and understand what has been said or asked of them without adding additional pressure.



### LOtC– Painting and Drawing

Students in Key Stage 4 have been making visual records from first hand observation in their painting and drawing lessons. They will use the sketches and drawings they have made inspired by the nature to create painting in the style of a variety of artists.



### Penn Fest - Friday 14th June 5.30-7.30pm

Penn Fields annual art show will be held at the Newhampton Art Centre on the evening of Friday 14th June. This year the theme is Community. Key Stage 4 art work will be on display and workshops in ceramics, print-making and painting will be led by our talented Key Stage 4 students for you to make and take your own piece of art work. Artists, Kanj Nicholas, Alex Vann and Gary Dowd will also be in residence with the work they created with our students this year. The book 'Imagine if we could fly' will be launched at the event which Penn Fields students contributed towards. Copies will be available to purchase. Entry is free and all are welcome although donations towards the event will be gratefully received on the evening. Hope to see you there!

Please note there is no parking available at the Newhampton Arts Centre but there are parking spaces within a short walking distance at West Park.



### Summer Term 2024

#### Term Time:

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Half term: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2024 to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024

Term Time: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024

**School Closes Early on Friday 19th July**

**Early Closure Times:**

**Lower School 12.45 Upper School 1.15**

#### Dates for your diary

**Coffee & Chat – 9.15 - 10.30**

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July

