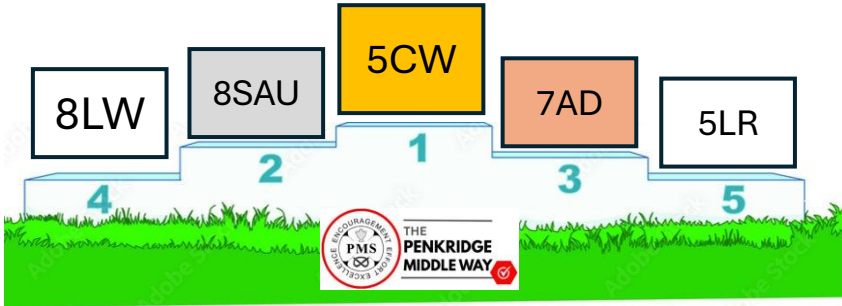




The 'Penkridge Middle Way' is a culture of positive behaviours we, as a school community, share and strive towards. It is built around our three values (Effort, Encouragement & Excellence) and three rules (Ready, Respectful & Safe). It guides the way we behave, the way we learn and the way we are.



CURRENT MERIT LEADERBOARD



Respect is one of our core rules, and we teach it because it underpins everything that helps our school community thrive. When pupils learn to show respect—to themselves, to others, and to the environment—they develop positive relationships, make thoughtful choices, and contribute to a calm and supportive school culture.

By understanding the importance of respectful communication and behaviour, pupils are better equipped to resolve disagreements, value different viewpoints, and take responsibility for their actions.

These skills not only support their learning in school but also prepare them for life beyond the classroom.

CURRENT WHOLE SCHOOL POSITIVE POINTS



Year	Total
5	72,142
6	76,284
7	68,469
8	64,529

CURRENT WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

96+%



THE WAY WE LEARN



In our classrooms, we use cold calling and a range of questioning techniques to make learning more engaging and effective for every child.

Cold calling simply means the teacher may choose any pupil to answer a question, rather than only taking volunteers. This isn't about putting children on the spot — it's about ensuring everyone feels included, thinks actively during lessons, and has regular opportunities to share their ideas.

These strategies help teachers check understanding across the whole class, identify who might need extra support, and encourage all pupils to stay involved and confident in contributing. Our goal is to create a positive learning environment where every child knows their voice matters and their thinking is valued.

THE WAY WE ARE

We would like to remind parents that our communication expectations are outlined in the FAQ section of our school website. Please allow up to 48 hours for staff to acknowledge enquiries, as they may have other in-school commitments. Contact made outside school hours is at staff discretion, as we do not expect staff to use Class Charts when not in school. You can read the full guidance here: <https://www.penkridge-middle.org/attachments/download.asp?file=65&type=pdf>

We also encourage all families to familiarise themselves with our Parent Code of Conduct, which sets out how we can work together respectfully and effectively: <https://www.penkridge-middle.org/attachments/download.asp?file=370&type=pdf>

As always, we aim to support positive communication between home and school. When needed, a quick phone call can often resolve concerns effectively. Staff will call home if a pupil is removed from a lesson, ideally before the pupil arrives home.