West Pennard Church of England Primary School

# Weekly Newsletter



Written for the Week Beginning 5th March 2018

#### Dear Parents / Carers,

Thank you to everyone's efforts for our dress up day to celebrate World Book Day - the children looked wonderful and there were some very impressive creative costumes.

I have been asked to inform parents that cases of scarlet fever have been reported in some local schools. The symptoms include: sore throat, headache, fever, nausea and vomiting. After 12 to 48 hours the characteristic red, pinhead rash develops, typically first appearing on the chest and stomach, then rapidly spreading to other parts of the body, and giving the skin a sandpaper-like texture. Public Health England recommend that children are kept off school for at least 24hours after the start of medical treatment. Please let us know if you suspect that your child has scarlet fever. Menu Week 1

**Best wishes Miss Jo Hale** 



# **Book Week**

As part of book week, we have been looking at a book called 'The Lost Words'. Each of the poems in this book focuses on a particular word which has been removed from the children's dictionary. Its aim is to share and expose children, once again, to these very special words. At the beginning of the week, we worked as a whole school, in mixed ability groups, in order to understand the meanings of some of the words. Then in classes, we worked on individual poems relating to a shared theme. Look at some of the wonderful pictures below. I will be displaying the work in the library for all to see.



Kind regards, Miss Bradford Year 3 Teacher and English Lead

## **Diary Dates**

Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5 visit to Glastonbury Abbey
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	Meet the new Year 3 teacher 2:45pm in the library
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5 Squash & Biscuits
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	FWPS Fish and Chip Bingo
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Service 2.00pm
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' Evening 3.30-6.30
Wednesday 21st March	Parents' Evening 3.30-6.30
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Last day of term

# Parents' Evening Booking System

We are looking ahead to our forthcoming parents' evenings, though this will not include Year 4 as this has already been organised on an earlier date. Booking will be through our online parents' evening appointment booking system. The booking website is self-explanatory, although we would advise that you select the on screen 'manual' option for bookings once logged in. The system uses the contact details of each pupil's Priority 1 parent/carer. Bookings are on a first come first served basis so please be aware that this **system will be open from 6pm Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March** and will close at midnight on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March.

https://westpennard.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/v2/





Dear Parents and Carers,

I am a child at West Pennard School and I feel like I have to make a difference instead of waiting for someone else to do it for me.

The world around us is dying – about 55 elephants die each day because of us humans. I am supporting WWF because I feel they cover everything I feel needs covering: climate change, poaching, deforestation – the whole lot! I also feel that they can help me make a difference.

All I ask is that you support my cake sale so that you can help me help the planet.

Please bring any donations of cakes into school on the morning of Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March – thanks for your help.

School Money

www.schoolmoney.co.uk

Some parents have already noticed a change to this website – it now auto-sends you to Eduspot's home page. You will need to select the option for 'School Money parent login' (not just 'School Money') and you should then see the normal info

requested. If you have any problems please contact the school office.

# <u>Safeguarding</u>

At West Pennard Church of England Primary School the health, safety and wellbeing of every child is our top priority. We expect all staff, Governors, parent/carers and visitors to share this commitment to safeguarding our pupils.

The designated members of staff for safeguarding are:



Designated Safeguarding Lead: Miss Jo Hale, Head Teacher Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Lorraine Clarke, SENCo & Mrs Emily Bridson (Class teacher)

If you have any concerns about a child's safety then please do not hesitate to speak to one of the safeguarding leads. **Do not think what if I'm wrong; think what if I'm right.** 

### Netball Success

After another closely fought contest, this time against Elmhurst, the girls finally got the result they deserved thanks to a 2-1 victory. With some quick passing and moving in the first quarter from Evie and Lilija, we were creating lots of chances and it wasn't long before one was converting with a calmly taken shot from Jess. Despite some excellent marking and defending from Amelia and Lucy, Elmhurst managed to equalise in the 2nd quarter to make it 1-1 at half time. The 3rd quarter was a close affair with both teams creating chances but neither being able to convert. In the final quarter the girls came on strong again creating numerous chances and thwarting any Elmhurst attacks. With 3 minutes to go Lilija composed herself under the net and fired in an excellent shot to put us 2-1 up. Some more excellent team-defending enabled the girls to comfortably see out the final few minutes before the celebrations could begin at the full time whistle. An excellent performance from all of the girls who have improved immeasurably as a team since their first match back in January.

Player of the match – Lucy for her excellent defensive and positional play.

Mr Bisgrove