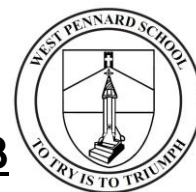




## Weekly Newsletter



**Written for the Week Beginning 17<sup>th</sup> September 2018**



Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been fantastic to see the youngest members of our school join the other children for lunch and we very much look forward to them being full time next week. We also welcomed 2 new children to our school this week – Otilia in our Reception Class and Ari in our Year 5 Class – we hope that you will be very happy at West Pennard.

The children in the other classes are getting used to the expectations of their new year groups and are settling well. The learning environments are taking shape and our new 'Pride and Progress' boards are being filled with children's written work. The idea of these boards is that each child takes a pride in their writing so that each piece that they do builds on their prior learning and they make progress. Their writing is celebrated and displayed on their individual space. I am sure some of you will have seen these at your 'meet the teacher' events.

It was lovely to have our first 'Celebration Assembly' of the year – with several children being rewarded for their resilience towards learning and others for settling so well into their new classes. A special well done to all of our Year 6 children who received various badges for responsibilities such as House Captains, School Council, Librarians, IT support and Head Boy / Head Girl. Well done to you all!

With very best wishes

*Go Hale*

### Quote of the week

Coincidence is God's way of remaining anonymous – Albert Einstein



### Stars

Well done to the following children, who were chosen as the class 'Stars of the Week' for today's assembly:

- Year 1: **George D & Bailey**
- Year 2: **Pembe & Joshua**
- Year 3: **Bethany & Rudy**
- Year 4: **Wezley & Ashleigh**
- Year 5: **Meghan & Ollie D**
- Year 6: **Simon & Katharine**

The children are able to wear their 'star' badge for the week. Please can children return their badges to the school office after this time.

***If your child has received an award outside of school, then we would love to be able to present them with it in our weekly celebration assembly.***

### FWPS AGM

The 'Friends of West Pennard School' or FWPS is our parent committee. Through their regular events, money is raised and goes towards providing enriched opportunities for all of the children in school.

Please join me and other parents for our **annual general meeting in the school Library on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September @7:30pm**

All welcome – this is a great way to meet other parents and get involved in making a positive contribution to our school.

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### 'Meet the Teacher' Sessions

These 'meet the teacher' sessions will give parents an opportunity to gain information about what to expect from a new year group - including class expectations and homework etc. It will also give parents an opportunity to discuss anything that they may be feeling anxious about and ask any question to enable each child to have the most successful year possible.

Year 4 – Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2:40pm

Year 2 – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2:40pm

Year 5 – Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2:40pm

Year 6 – Friday 21<sup>th</sup> September 2:40pm

### Year 6 Trip

Year 6 has had a busy first week at school. On Wednesday, they went on their first school trip of the year to the Rural Life Museum. This was a WOW starter to our new unit called 'Make Do and Mend'. They had the opportunity to take part in lots of practical activities linked to wartime Britain and explore the newly renovated Rural Life Museum. What a great start to our Year 6 journey!



### Go Green and Blue for Earth Day

We have decided to have a muffi day to raise money and raise awareness of the importance of looking after our beautiful planet.

On Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September, we would like everyone to come to school wearing blue and green to reflect our planet for a suggested donation of £1 per child.

We hope to spend the money on sponsoring an animal for every class in the school through WWF.

So ... remember to wear blue and green on 26.09.18

From  
The Environmental prefects  
Emma, Beatrice, Erin, Lily and Katharine

### Long Hair

Please can children with hair longer than shoulder length come to school with it tied back. This is much safer for PE and other practical activities such as art and also reduces the spread of headlice.

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## Collective Worship



On Wednesday we welcomed Rev Craig Manley (the new Methodist Minister at Pilton) into our school community to lead Collective Worship. We are very grateful to him, as well as to Rev Chris Butler and Rev Chris Hopkins who regularly make time to visit school and enhance our school life together.

## Morning Opening Times

The gate will open at **8.30am** every morning. Please do not drop your child/ren off and leave them, please stay with them until the gate opens. There is a lot of traffic in Church Lane during this time so for safety reasons **all children must be accompanied by an adult before school opens**. If you need supervision for your child before 8:30am, please use our breakfast club, which is open between 7:30am and 8:30am.

Registration is at 8.50am and all children must be in class by this time.

The absence line is open from 7.15am. Please ensure you report any absences by 9.15am at the latest.

Thank you

## Dates for the week ahead

Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	FWPS AGM @ 7:30pm, School Library
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*If you would like to add an item to the Newsletter please contact the school office by 10am on Thursdays with the details. Thank you*

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