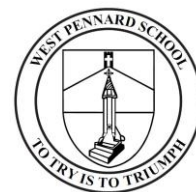




# Weekly Newsletter

Written for the Week Beginning 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020



Dear Parents/Carers,

This week we have been focusing on Maths. On Monday we hosted some training for 7 Somerset schools through the Boolean Maths Hub. Mr Wheat, Miss Morris and myself had training on the mastery approach to maths and this is starting to filter into maths teaching across the school. Mastery focuses on children deepening their understanding of number and mathematical concepts through carefully planned teaching. To support this approach, we received brand new maths textbooks for years 4 – 6 called 'Power Maths'. These textbooks break down the small steps in learning to ensure children really do understand what they are doing.

Our teacher meeting this week also focused on maths, particularly on times tables. Children are taught their times tables through a range of strategies in school but would really benefit from additional times table practise at home. As a school we have invested in Times Table Rockstars – an online (fun) approach. Please encourage your children to use this regularly at home – ideally 3 or 4 times a week. If you are unsure of their log on details please contact your child's class teacher.

Thank you for your continued support

**Jo Hale**

**Menu Week 1**

## Quote of the week

Love does not delight in evil but rejoices in the truth.

1 Corinthians 13 v6

## Class Attendance

Please see below class attendance figures for last week:

Fox:	91.6%
Dormouse:	97.2%
Mole:	93.4%
Hare:	97.1%
Squirrel:	90.6%
Otter:	97.9%
<b>Hedgehog:</b>	<b>98.6%</b>

Congratulations to **Hedgehog Class** for having the highest attendance last week.



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

- Year R: **Oscar & Max**
- Year 1: **Walter & Zackary**
- Year 2: **Cherry & Arlo**
- Year 3: **Megan & Harvey**
- Year 5: **Conor**
- Year 6: **Elias & Martha**

The children are able to wear their 'star' badge for the week.

**Please can children return their badges to the school office the following Friday and give them to a member of staff so we know who has returned them.**

***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.***

Tel: 01458 832866

Email: westpennardprimary@gmail.com

Headteacher Miss J. Hale

### **FWPS May Fayre Planning Meeting**

Please come along to the FWPS May Fayre planning meeting on **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February from 6.30pm in the school library**. The May Fayre is a key fundraiser for the school and as always the FWPS needs your help to make it happen. All are welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!

### **Year 6 Bikeability**

We need some volunteers to help with the Year 6 Bikeability on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. If you are DBS cleared and have your own bike please let the office know if you would be available to help. Thank you.

### **Muffin day for Ashlyn**

Many thanks to everyone who donated money on our muffin day to celebrate Ashlyn's birthday. Together we raised £106!



### **Clubs**

Reminder all extra-curricular clubs are **on** next week and will start back straight after half term (week beginning 24<sup>th</sup> February).

### **Year 3 and 4 Production**

We were all so proud of the children in Years 3 & 4 for doing such a grand job of their performance 'Dragon Days'. Accomplished acting and really impressive singing wowed us all. A huge thank you to everyone who helped put this show on! West Pennard certainly has TALENT!



Tel: 01458 832866

Email: [westpennardprimary@gmail.com](mailto:westpennardprimary@gmail.com)

Headteacher Miss J. Hale

**Key Dates Spring Term 2020** (please note any new dates/changes will be marked with an \*)

Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	SATs information evening for Year 6 parents – 5.30pm in Year 6 class FWPS May Fayre Planning Meeting – 6.30pm in Library
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 5 taster day at Whitstone School
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 2 Squash & Biscuits Sports Hall Athletics, Wellington – selected KS2 children
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	Half term week
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Bikeability (12x Year 6 children)
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Cross-Country – Downside School
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2 trip to The Wild Place, Bristol
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Book Fair
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	Dress up day for World Book day – come as a character from a book!
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Mothers' Day Tea in the Hall @ 2pm. Year 6 to serve tea and cake
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Year 6 to Easter Unscrambled, Street
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Cross-Country – Tor Leisure
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> and Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Prayer Space
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3 Squash and Biscuits
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Year 4 trip to American Museum
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Parents' Evening 3.30-6.30
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Parents' Evening 3.30-6.30
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Easter Service in Church - 2pm (Year 5 to Lead) Last Day of term

---

Tel: 01458 832866

Email: [westpennardprimary@gmail.com](mailto:westpennardprimary@gmail.com)

Headteacher Miss J. Hale