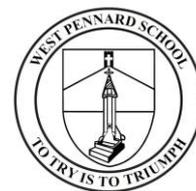




## Weekly Newsletter

Written for the Week Beginning 29<sup>th</sup> June 2020



Dear Parents/Carers,

I write this on what would ordinarily have been a very special and exciting Glastonbury Festival weekend for many – our thoughts are with the organisers and many local families who work so hard to put on such an amazing local spectacular. I am sure that next year's event will be even more wonderful! If you are having your own 'mini-Glastonbury' then we'd love for you to share a photo of what you've got up to!

This week, the Governing Board met again to monitor and discuss our school provision following the COVID pandemic. They were really pleased to hear what a positive return it has been for children in the eligible year groups. They also discussed the changes in general government guidance and the future impact that this could have on schools. It is important for me to make clear, that whilst the social distancing guidance for the general population is planned to change from 2 metres to 1 metre on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, school guidance remains unchanged. School guidance still states that children should be taught in bubbles of no more than 15 children. As we are using all of our available staff to fulfil this current plan, we are unable to safely welcome more year groups back.

Looking ahead to September, once the new guidance has been published, we are looking forward to developing a clear and safe plan to enable all children to return to school. Once we know what is expected of schools, we will share this with you as soon as we can. Unfortunately, at this time, we know no more than you do.

Finally, please can I remind families that Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June is an INSET day and the school is closed to ALL children including those of key workers and vulnerable children.

Enjoy your weekend – whatever you are up to.

Best wishes

**Jo Hale**  
**Headteacher**

### Quote of the week

In a world where you can be anything, be kind.

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### National Insect Week

It's National Insect Week this week and I have been busy putting together some fun craft ideas for you all to try. I hope you have fun giving them a go 😊

Miss Holmes

### Outdoor Art – Bugs, Bees and Butterflies!



**The Big Book of Bugs**  
By Yuval Zommer

This is a beautifully illustrated book by Yuval Zommer. As its name suggests it is oversized and children just love to stare at the pages – soaking up the text and the gorgeous illustrations.

#### Doodle Bugs

Draw a bug in black ink. You may be lucky enough to find one to study with a magnifying glass or you can use a picture. If you have access to a photocopier, photocopy your beetle so you can fill it in lots of different ways. If not, trace it so you have several images the same. Fill your bugs with your best doodles!

#### Leaf Painting

Collect some leaves and use your imagination! You could turn your leaf into a real or an imaginary creepy crawly! To create these ones I used ready mixed paint and left them to dry in the sun in between colours.

#### Nature Bugs

Using sticks, stones and leaves make some amazing bugs! Spiders, butterflies, caterpillars, beetles, bees – the choice is yours! What will you create?

#### Weave-a-Bee

Create a weaving loom from a cardboard box by cutting out an oval shape and snipping small triangles around the edge. Then use yellow and black wool to wrap around your oval to create your bee! Finish it off with some eyes and wings.

#### Beetle Scratch Art

Fill a piece of card or thick paper with oil pastels. Then paint over it with a mix of black paint and washing up liquid (this helps the paint to stick to the oil pastel). You may need a few coats of this but it dries quickly in the sunshine! Once dry, gently scratch off a bug design – I used a blunt pencil for this.

#### Butterfly Sponge Printing

Use any type of sponge for this activity. Squeeze it in the middle and secure with a rubber band to make two wing shapes either side. Then paint the wings and print! Remember to keep it symmetrical! This is very easy but very effective!

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