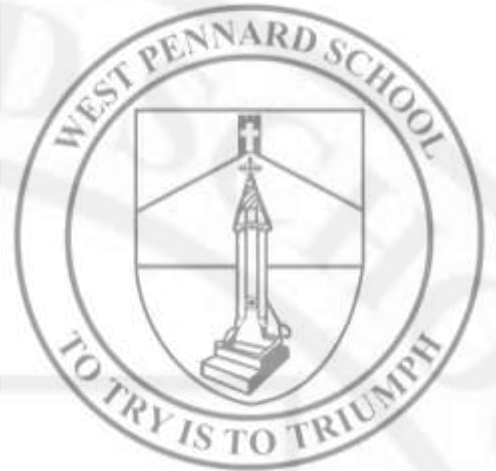


West Pennard C of E VC Primary



Dormouse Class made worry worms in their Wellness on Wednesday afternoon this week. See later in the newsletter for more details.



'Since God so loved us, so we must love one another' (1 John 4 v11)

Heads Up

Whisks were whirring on Wednesday as Year 5 made Oat Spice Cakes to support their learning about the Anglos Saxons. They closely followed an ancient Saxon recipe and, by all accounts, really enjoyed eating them! Maybe this could be an avenue in to a future primetime show - The Historic Bakeoff!

This week we received news of our penny in a bottle fundraiser that the FWPS held in December. I am delighted to say that the event raised a whopping £258.75. That is an awful lot of one and two pence coins! A great many thanks to Audrey and also to Mrs Miller Emam Hussein for helping us bank it all! In May the FWPS have organised a Bag to School collection. I'm sure you will all have an awful lot of items of clothing that children have grown out of...or if you are like me, items that you have grown out of during lockdown. All donations will be most welcome.

I am pleased to announce that on Thursday the Governing Board appointed Mrs Rosie Gurung as our new lunchtime supervisor. I hope you will all join me in congratulating Mrs Gurung. We look forward to her joining the staff team just after Easter.

On Monday four children from Year 5 and 6 were interviewed by Claire Carter from BBC Radio Somerset. They were asked about many things, including their thoughts on Easter eggs. To listen to the

recording please click the link below. Well done to all the children that took part and spoke so eloquently! [Breakfast on BBC Radio Somerset - 24/03/2021 - BBC Sounds](https://www.bbc.com/somerset/2021/03/21-03-24-breakfast-bbc-sounds)

Have a great weekend everyone
Kind Regards
Mr Wheat

Stars in Our Eyes



- Year R George G, Matty, Connie & Molly
- Year 1 Emilee & Lucy
- Year 2 Amelie & Rudy
- Year 3 Nyree & Hollie
- Year 4 Ethan & Pembe
- Year 5 Aldo & Matthew
- Year 6 Evie D & Ashleigh

Winners with Dinners

A big well done to Fox Class who had the highest % of pupils this week having a Universal Free School Meal. Well done to Hare Class who were the highest in KS2

- Fox - 29 meals (94%)
- Dormouse - 24 meals (73%)
- Mole - 28 meals (93%)
- Hare - 16 meals (55%)
- Squirrel - 16 meals (48%)
- Otter - 13 meals (42%)
- Hedgehog - 6 meals (23%)

Please support our production kitchen by having an on-site cooked meal



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Headteacher Mr T. Wheat

Worry Worms



Dormouse Class made Worry Worms in WOW. The Worry Worm has a smiley face, this is because when we have worries, we do not have to allow them to weigh us down.

Each bead means something:

Red - stop

Orange - do something

Yellow - think happy thoughts... we had lots!

Light green - look out of the window at our beautiful world

Dark green - Go...into another room, into the garden, for a hug...

Light blue - don't be blue, share your worry with a friend

Dark blue - don't be blue, share your worry with an adult. We remembered that the way to shrink a worry is to share it.

Purple - be grateful - it doesn't make the worry go away but it makes you feel better

Star - remember Mrs Robinson thinks you are a star

Crystal - the God bead, He loves you and is always with you

Safeguarding



Mr T Wheat
Designated
Safeguarding Lead
DSL

Mrs Lorraine Clarke
Deputy Designated
Safeguarding Lead
DDSL

The safety and welfare of all children is everybody's responsibility.

Our School's Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mr Tony Wheat. The Deputy Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Lorraine Clarke. If you have any concerns regarding a child's welfare or safety please speak to them immediately.

Alternatively if you are worried about a child or young person who could be in danger out of school please contact Children's Social Care on 0300 123 2224, by email at childrens@somerset.gov.uk or the police.

Writing Competition

Please see attached to this newsletter a poster giving information about a Children's Writing Competition from Street Library. Author Annaliese Avery has recorded a short video with all the details and a little advice to children on how to write a story.

<https://1drv.ms/v/s!An-TeJJ00cGeyzSeTfHFtFXIRXbh>

Quote of the Week

'If you judge people, you have no time to love them.' Mother Teresa

100 Books to Read Before the End of Primary

A recent survey came up with a list of the top 100 books to read before you leave primary school. This list includes books for children of all ages, old and new titles, classics and recently published and are sure to inspire more reading and a love of books for years to come. How many of these books have you read? Can you think of any books that you have enjoyed that should be on the list? Every week, we will list 10 books starting from 100. Will your favourite make the list?



37. The Magic Faraway Tree by Enid Blyton When Joe, Beth and Frannie move to a new home, an Enchanted Wood is on their doorstep. And when they discover the Faraway Tree, it proves to be the beginning of many magical adventures! Join them and their friends Moonface, Saucepan Man and Silky the fairy as they discover which new land is at the top of the Faraway Tree.

Will it be the Land of Spells, the Land of Treats, or the Land of Do-As-You-Please? Come on an amazing adventure - **there'll be adventures waiting** whatever happens.

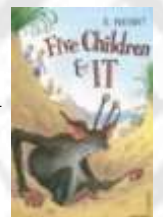
36. The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett When Mary Lennox is sent to Misslethwaite Manor to live with her uncle everybody says she is the most disagreeable-looking child ever seen. It is true, too. Mary is pale, spoilt and quite contrary. But she is also horribly lonely. Then one day she hears about a garden in the grounds of the Manor that has been kept locked and hidden for years. And when a friendly robin helps Mary find the key, she discovers the most magical place anyone could imagine.



35. Clockwork by Philip Pullman A tormented apprentice clock-maker, a deadly mechanical knight in armour - and the sinister Dr Kalmenius, who some say is the devil. Wind up these characters, fit **them into a story on a cold winter's evening**, with the snow swirling down, and suddenly life and the story begin to merge in a peculiarly macabre and unstoppable way. Almost like clockwork.

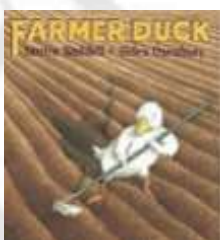
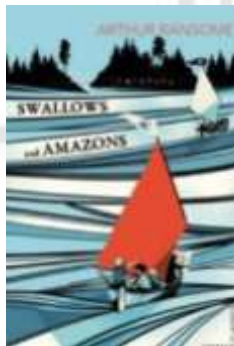


34. Five Children And It by E. Nesbit I dare say you have often thought about what you would do if you were granted three wishes. The five children - Cyril, Anthea, Robert, Jane and their baby brother - had often talked about it but when they are faced with the grumpy sand-fairy they find it difficult to make up their minds. And that is just the beginning of their dilemmas. As they discover, there is nothing quite like a wish for getting you into terrible trouble.



40. The Silver Sword by Ian Serraillier The classic tale of a journey through war-torn Europe. Alone and fending for themselves in a Poland devastated by World War Two, Jan and his three homeless friends cling to the silver sword as a symbol of hope. As they travel through Europe towards Switzerland, where they believe they will be reunited with their parents, they encounter many hardships and dangers. This extraordinary moving account of an epic journey gives a remarkable insight into the reality of a Europe laid waste by war

39. Swallows And Amazon by Arthur Ransom The Walker children - also known as Captain John, Mate Susan, Able-Seaman Titty, and Ship's Boy Roger - set sail on the Swallow and head for Wild Cat Island. There they camp under open skies, swim in clear water and go fishing for their dinner. But their days are disturbed by the Blackett sisters, the fierce Amazon pirates. The Swallows and Amazons decide to battle it out, and so begins a summer of unforgettable discoveries and incredible adventures.



38. Farmer Duck by Martin Waddell and Helen Oxenbury The story of a hardworking duck, who has the very bad luck of living with a lazy farmer. The duck cooks and cleans, tends the fields and cares for the other animals

on the farm - and all while the farmer lies in bed! That is until the day the animals decide to take action and come to the rescue with a simple, but heroic plan.



33. Esio Trot by Roald Dahl Mr Hoppy really loves his neighbour Mrs Silver, and Mrs Silver really loves her tortoise, Alfie. One day Mrs Silver asks Mr Hoppy how to make Alfie grow, and suddenly Mr Hoppy knows the way to win her heart. With the help of a magical spell and some cabbage leaves, can Mr Hoppy be happy at last?

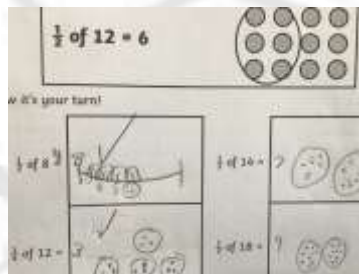
32. Amazing Grace by Mary Hoffman and Caroline Binch Grace loves to act out stories. Sometimes she plays the leading part, sometimes she is 'a cast of thousands.' When her school decides to perform Peter Pan, Grace is longing to play Peter, but her classmates say that Peter was a boy, and besides, he wasn't black. But Grace's Ma and Nana tell her she can be anything she wants if she puts her mind to it.



31. The Paddington Series by Michael Bond The classic story of the bear from Darkest Peru who arrived at Paddington Station with nothing but a suitcase, a half-empty jar of marmalade and a label that read 'Please look after the bear. Thank you.' Mr and Mrs Brown discovered him, named him Padding

Writer and Mathematician of the Week

Connor, Alfie, Jacob B, Zackary J, Amaya, Jemima



Have Your Circumstances Changed?

Children who attend a Somerset County Council school, whose parents or carers receive certain benefits may be entitled to free school meals.

These are the benefits.

- Universal Credit with an annual household income of less than £7,400 after tax
- Income Support (IS)
- Employment and Support Allowance (Income related) – not Contribution related
- Income-based Job Seekers Allowance (IBJSA) – not Contribution based
- Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit.
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit with an annual taxable income (as assessed by HMRC) of less than £16,190, as long as the family is not also in receipt of Working Tax Credit.

If you have recently become unemployed, but are still receiving Working Tax Credits, you may be entitled to free school meals.

Click [here](#) to apply

During the coronavirus outbreak, the Government are temporarily extending free school meal eligibility to include children of families who have no recourse to public funds. Therefore, children will also be eligible for free school meals if their legal guardians' household income is £7,400 or below and they meet one of the following criteria:

- you are a Zambrano Carer
- you have the right to remain in the UK under Article 8 of the European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR) and are subject to no recourse to public funds
- you are supported under Section 17 of the Children Act 1989 (Children in Need)

You may also be eligible if they are supported under section 4 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.

If you meet this additional criteria, complete the [Free School Meals Application Form Covid-19 additional criteria Form](#) and send it in with the appropriate evidence.

School Uniform

If you would like to order any school uniform please contact John Hugill at Notice Me Logos. As you are unable to visit the shop at the moment he is offering a click and collect service or delivery. Please visit the website for more details: <http://noticemelogos.co.uk/>

Hare Class Easter Raffle

Lots of chocolatey and spring themed treats to be won!

Tickets will be available in school on Monday 29th & Tuesday 30th March and cost £1 each.

The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 31st March.

(This raffle replaces Hare Class Squash and biscuits fundraiser event for this term.)



GOLDEN MILE



This week we have had more athletes passing their 5 mile milestone. Congratulations go to: Evie D, Macy, Jacob, Will, Elliot, Jaxon, Ethan and Harry. A special mention goes to Leyton who has recently passed his 10 mile milestone. Mr Bisgrove



Mole Class Creations!

Mole Class have been busy this week with Lego Club, skeletons, rainforest fractions and 2D shape trees!



West Pennard PE

This week in PE, Otter Class were practising their shooting skills in netball. Here they are in part of their lesson having a game of 'Hot Seat'. In this popular game, the child at the front of the line shoots and tries to score a basket. If they succeed, they can safely return to the back of the line, if they miss they are in the hot seat. If the following player then scores, the person in the hot seat is eliminated. The game continues until a shooting champion is crowned!

Mr Bisgrove



Forest School

Year 5 have been busy in forest school this week making wooden owls. They all worked really hard on them and should be proud of the results!



*subject to alteration due to Covid-19 measures / procedures

Key Dates: Spring Term 2021

Friday 2nd April	Good Friday
Monday 5th - Friday 16th April	Easter Holidays

Key Dates: Summer Term 2021

Monday 19 th April	First day of the summer term
Monday 3 rd May	May Bank Holiday
April	Year 2 Squash and Biscuits*
May - TBC	Parents' Evening Phone calls
Friday 21 st May	Y6 Day Residential - Mill on the Brue
Tuesday 25 th May	Crispin Transition Meeting 9:00 at West Pennard
Monday 31 st May - Friday 4 th June	Half Term
Monday 7 th - Wednesday 9 th June	Year 5 Kolve Residential*
Wednesday 23 rd June	Tempest Class Photos
Friday 25 th and Monday 28 th June	Festival of Reading
TBC	Transition Day CLP Year 6 Date TBC West Pennard - Move up morning
TBC	Moving on Prayer Space
Monday 19 th July	Reports out to parents
Tuesday 20 th July	Leavers' Service at the Church - 2pm
Wednesday 21 st July	School Leavers' Assembly Leavers' Race
Thursday 22 nd July	Last day of academic year
Friday 23 rd July	INSET Day