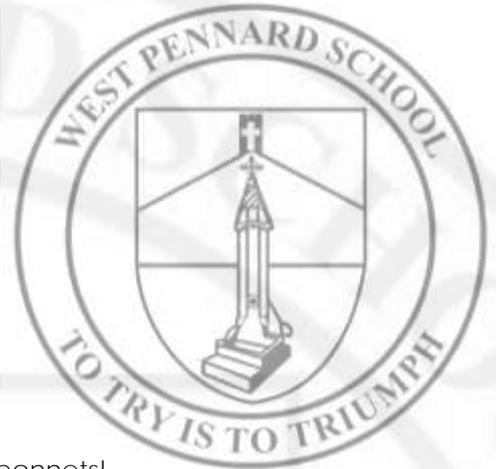


**West Pennard C of E VC Primary**



Children from Years R to 6 socially distanced and sporting their Easter bonnets!

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

**Heads Up**

What an 'egg'cellent end to a busy term! We had a number of 'cracking' activities this week that really got us in the Easter spirit. On Tuesday Year 5 had a very inventive approach to their learning in Computing, having an Easter egg hunt whereby the children had to write algorithms to give instructions to find the eggs around the school grounds. It was great to see them thinking computationally, without having to have technology in the 'palm' of their hands! On Thursday Year 1 completed their weekly Maths 'brainboxes' with an Easter theme and then had some fun with a beetle drive, using rabbits and other Easter themed animals instead of the traditional beetles. Hopefully they didn't get stuck when doing their multi'lamb'cation!

Chicks, bunnies and carrots were a plenty on Wednesday as we held our Easter bonnet competition. As you can see from the picture above, there was a very strong field of competitively minded children and probably now a world shortage of glue gun glue! A personal highlight was Charlie's carrot hat and Rudy's Australian-inspired creation with dangling chicks, rather than corks. A huge well done to everyone for getting involved and getting creative.

We conclude what has been the strangest of Spring Terms looking forward to the Summer Term

to come. We have a number of exciting learning opportunities planned and can't wait to get going again after a timely break.

Finally, I would like to thank you all for the support you have shown throughout this time.

If I don't see you at the gate, look after yourselves and have a great Easter.

Best Wishes

Mr Wheat

**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 and Squirrel Class who were the highest in KS2

- Fox - 29 meals (94%)
- Dormouse - 24 meals (73%)
- Mole - 27 meals (90%)
- Hare - 15 meals (52%)
- Squirrel - 17 meals (52%)
- Otter - 15 meals (48%)
- Hedgehog - 5 meals (19%)

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



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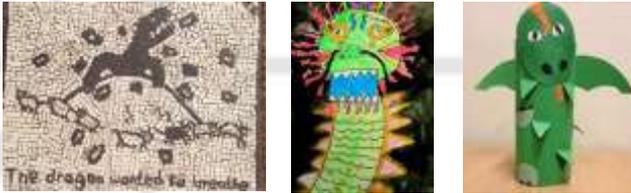
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Headteacher Mr T. Wheat

### Mole Class – Year 2 Squash and Biscuit Competition

During our first week back after Easter it is St. George's Day. Please support Mole Class and make your own Dragon picture or puzzle to enter our competition with fantastic prizes to win! We will pick our favourite entries in week 2, 26<sup>th</sup> April 2021. Entry is £1.00 so get drawing/creating over the holidays and lets see who can make the best dragon picture! Thanks so much for supporting us.

Mrs Rew



Vowels and Consonants



### Baby News



Big congratulations to the Bloom family on the safe arrival of Eli Rowan Bloom. Welcome to the world and the West Pennard family.

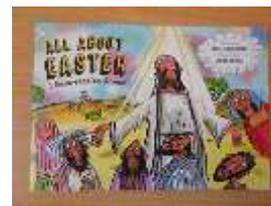
### Au Revoir

After many years of working at West Pennard, teaching children a number of different languages, Madame Taylor has taken the difficult decision to retire. I would like to take the opportunity to thank Madame Taylor personally and on behalf of the Governors and staff of the school, past and present, for all her hard work over the years. She will be sorely missed.

### Easter Books

As part of our Easter celebrations this week, each child received a book by the well-known author Bob Hartman, telling the Easter Story in rhyme. We are so grateful to Rev Chris and all the St Nicholas' Church Family for their kind gift.

Mrs Robinson



### West Pennard PE

In PE this half-term, Squirrel Class have been focusing on health related fitness. In this week's lesson (in glorious sunshine!) they were focusing on teamwork and problem solving skills.

Mr Bisgrove



### Uniform Uniform

Our uniform is part of our school identity and unites us. Please support us in rebuilding our sense of school community by sending your child in with the correct uniform. We will be sending letters home next term should we see in particular...

- Non-black footwear
- Hair dye

We understand that some children may have grown out of clothing. However, it is a long time until the end of the year and supermarkets that sell footwear are open. See our uniform requirements...

<https://www.westpennardschool.co.uk/parents/uniform>

## What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID-19

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, they must not come to school and should remain at home for at least 10 days from the date when their symptoms appeared. Anyone with symptoms will be eligible for testing and this can be arranged via <https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test> or by calling 119.

All other household members who remain well, must stay at home and not leave the house for 10 days. This includes anyone in your 'Support Bubble'. Further information is available at: [COVID-19: guidance for households with possible coronavirus infection - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-infection)

The 10-day period starts from the day when the first person in the house became ill.

Household members should not go to work, school or public areas and exercise should be taken within the home. If you require help with buying groceries, other shopping or picking up medication, or walking a dog, you should ask friends or family. Alternatively, you can order your shopping online and medication by phone or online.

Household members staying at home for 10 days will greatly reduce the overall amount of infection the household could pass on to others in the community. If you are able, move any vulnerable individuals (such as the elderly and those with underlying health conditions) out of your home, to stay with friends or family for the duration of the home isolation period.

## Symptoms

The most common symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of:

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness. If your child or anyone in the household does develop symptoms, you can seek advice from NHS 111 at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/check-if-you-have-coronavirus-symptoms/> or by phoning 111.

How to stop COVID-19 spreading There are things you can do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting ill with COVID-19 Do:

- wash your hands with soap and water often – do this for at least 20 seconds
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- wash your hands as soon as you get home • cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards Further Information

Further information is available at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

We need to continue to do track and trace for the first 5 days of the holidays, so if you are in receipt of a positive result for Coronavirus, please notify us by filling out [this form](#).

## 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](mailto:childrens@somerset.gov.uk) or the police.

## Quote of the Week

*'For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.'* John 3 v16

Class Worship for Easter

This week we have journeyed through the events of the first Holy Week during our Class Worship. Here's a flavour of what we have shared together. We travelled into Jerusalem with Jesus, and thought about how we would have welcomed him. On Tuesday, we ate hot cross buns as we remembered Jesus eating a last supper with his friends. It was a sad Good Friday that was reflected upon on Wednesday. We thought about what Jesus carrying a heavy cross and that he wants to carry our troubles too, so we shared them with God. Today was Easter Day, a time to celebrate Jesus' resurrection with joy, a Chat Mat and bunting!

Mrs Robinson



Key Dates: Spring Term 2021

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

Key Dates: Summer Term 2021

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

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