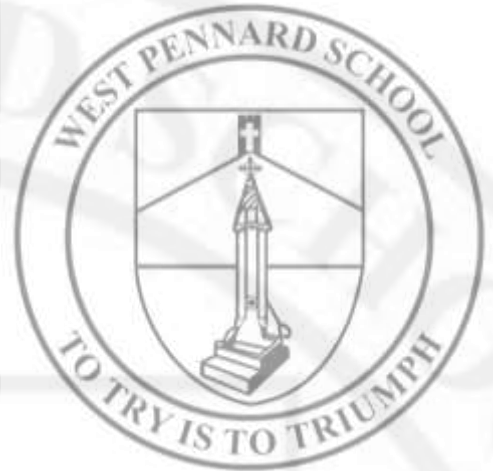


West Pennard C of E VC Primary



It was an 'ocean colour scene' in school today as the children raised money for the WWF.



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

Heads Up

It was lovely to see all of the children on Friday dressed up in ocean colours in order to raise money for the WWF. As a school, we encourage courageous advocacy, meaning that it is over to the children to champion causes that are of importance to them. Children from Year 5 suggested a mufti to raise funds for the WWF, having learnt about plastic pollution in class. A really big well done to all those children....and also to you for such creative outfits!

Also on Friday, our Year 6 children went to Mill on the Brue for a day residential, their original residential having to be cancelled last month due to the restrictions. They enjoyed a super day of canoeing, climbing and tunnelling as well as pitting their wits against the 'Great Wall' and the 'Water Slide'. Unfortunately, the weather wasn't kind to them, but that is all part of the experience! Photos of our intrepid explorers will be included in next week's newsletter.



We had a fantastic response on Monday for our bag2school collection. Bagged up clothing that meets certain criteria are sorted in terms of age / size and quality and are then sent to other parts of the world, mainly Eastern Europe, in order to be re-used. A great many thanks to the FWPS and specifically Miss Dunwell for all their work in organising the collection. A further collection is scheduled for 15th November.

Have a fabulous weekend

Mr Wheat

Stars in Our Eyes



- Year R - Martha & Eliana
- Year 1 - George & Ted
- Year 2 - Franklin & Otilie D.
- Year 3 - Aurora & George M.
- Year 4 - Zachary & Nikita
- Year 5 - Fin & Alfie

Winners with Dinners

- A big well done to Mole Class who had the highest % of pupils this week having a Universal Free School Meal. Well done to Squirrel Class who were the highest in KS2.
- Fox - 27 meals (90%)
 - Dormouse - 25 meals (76%)
 - Mole - 30 meals (97%)
 - Hare - 16 meals (53%)
 - Squirrel - 18 meals (56%)
 - Otter - 14 meals (45%)
 - Hedgehog - 4 meals (15%)



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Mathematician and Writer of the Week

Fred M. - for his long multiplications.

Honey - for her amazing Kenya leaflet showing off her geography skills.

Cameron - for his excellent understanding of fractions and decimals.

Charlie D. - for his excellent understanding of the difference between fact and fiction.

Dolly - for her growing confidence and ability in finding fractions of an amount.

Joshua B. - for his superb diary entry, written as Hiccup, completed for homework.

Isabelle E. - for fantastic word problem calculations using HTO and number lines.

Harry W. - for brilliant speech writing between the Ugly five characters.

Emmie - for being a 'hot task' superstar!

Esmé - for writing a super letter to Pete from 'Tidy'.

Morrisons Little Library Scheme - Stories Of Hope

In an effort to improve children's literacy and improve access to books, Morrisons supermarket have introduced Little Libraries in their stores where customers can donate and swap children's books. See attached sheet for 'How it Works'.

They're also publishing their very own book 'Cedric The Seed'. Please see information attached.

Book Vending Machine



We had delivery of the book vending machine on Wednesday. Children will be given a code to receive a book to reward them for their efforts or progress with their reading. A great many thanks to Mrs Pinsent for organising it and also to the Wells Festival of Literature for part funding it!

Surveying the scene

Towards the end of each year, it is customary to gather your thoughts about the school in order to assess what we are doing well, as well as to understand ways in which we could improve. It has been an unusual year, to say the least, with some changes that have been made only intended as a temporary measure and others more permanent. It has certainly been useful to us to be at the gate each day to speak to you all and to gauge your opinions and address any concerns or issues. Please do take the opportunity to respond to the survey as truthfully as you can, with both the current (necessary) picture and that of what we remember as 'normal circumstances' to inform your responses. We can not promise to act on each individual's suggestions, but will use the overall picture to see where improvements can be made. May we please ask that you complete your questionnaire by 30th June, so that responses can be analysed and taken to Governors. Please [click here](#) to access the survey.

West Pennard PE

In PE this week, Dormouse class were learning how to safely move backwards. We started with a game of spider tag, before practising the skill of travelling backwards. We then put this new skill to the test with a game of backwards 'Cowboys and Indians!'

Mr Bisgrove



Bag2School

Thank you to everyone who donated for the Bag2School collection, a total of £135 was raised!



GOLDEN MILE



Congratulations to the following children who have passed another Golden Mile milestone.

Year 4

5 miles - Amelia, Boe, Cameron, Charlie, Chloe, Ethan, Harriet, Harvey, Isla, Joshua, Kelcie, Mack, Meg, Megan, Ned, Noah, Oliver, Pembe, Reu, Sofia, Zachariah



Year 6

5 miles - Zara, Jasper and Ashleigh
10 miles - Ethan, Jacob, Evie G and Zara
15 miles - Leyton



Mr Bisgrove

Virtual Story Time

Virtual story time will be continuing even though children are back at school. The collection is growing of Mr Wheat and Mrs Clarke reading a story for children which now includes poems and this week - meditation stories for children to listen to with their eyes closed! Ideal for bedtime relaxation after a busy day! Click on the Google link below to find out more - happy listening!

[Story Time - Google Drive](#)

Magical Mystery Tour

You may well think this is something that you would expect to find abroad, but Megan, George Creed, Bella, Nancy, Sophie, Izzy and George found this Oil Beetle in the Church Yard. What an amazing find!!!!



WOW Wednesday in Year 3

During our recent WOW afternoons, Hare class have been learning all about self-love and diversity; recognising that although we are all the same (human) we are also all very different (unique).



This week we enjoyed exploring the beautiful picture book 'Rabbityness', by Jo Empson.



This charming story celebrates individuality and encourages the creativity in everyone! We discovered that making time to enjoy our own interests and talents leads to happiness - which is contagious!

Rabbit liked painting and making music, bringing colour to the forest and brought happiness to all the rabbits. We decided to try and do the same. The children attempted to create 'music' using the digeridoo - this in itself brought happiness to us all!

We also created our very own 'Rabbityness' pictures, utilising all of our previously taught calming strategies and art skills including blow painting, sketching and oil pastel shading.



Our smiley little bunnies are most definitely



spreading happiness and colour to all!

Miss Holmes

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/>

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 or the police.

Quote of the Week

Yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery. Today is a gift, that's why it's called the present.

Clubs Reminder

Reminder all clubs are on next week except for French and Chess Club. Clubs will continue back w/c 7th June, except for Chilling Club, French Club and Chess Club as these finished at half term.

Key Dates: Summer Term 2021

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

May	Parents' Evening Phone calls
Monday 24th May	Year 5 Kilve Meeting (virtual) 7pm
Tuesday 25 th May	Crispin Transition Meeting 9:00 at West Pennard
Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June	Half Term
Monday 7 th - Wednesday 9 th June	Year 5 Kilve Residential*
Wednesday 9 th June	Year R Vision Screening
Wednesday 23 rd June	Tempest Class Photos
Friday 25 th and Monday 28 th June	Festival of Reading
TBC	Transition Day Year 6 West Pennard – Move up morning
TBC	Moving on Prayer Space
Monday 5 th July	Year 1-6 Climbing Wall in school
Wednesday 7 th July	Caving experience in school
Monday 12 th - Tuesday 13 th July	Moving On Prayer Space
Wednesday 14 th July	New parents to Year R (Sept 2021) Afternoon Tea / Picnic
Friday 16 th July	Sports Day*
Monday 19 th July	Reports out to parents
Wednesday 21 st July	Leavers' Service at the Church - 2pm
Thursday 22 nd July	School Leavers' Assembly Leavers' Race
Thursday 22 nd July	Last day of academic year
Friday 23rd July	INSET Day