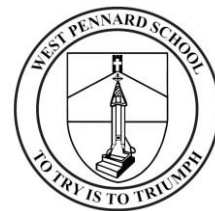




Weekly Newsletter



Written for the Week Beginning 9th April 2018

Dear Parents / Carers,

Thank you for your continued support this term – it was lovely to get to know more parents and put faces to names at our recent parents' evenings. If you ever need to speak to me then you can find me on the playgrounds most mornings before school. If you have a class-based concern then your child's teacher is your first port of call.

It was disappointing that we have had to postpone our Easter Service at the church on Monday – we have rescheduled this for the first day back after the Easter break. I do hope that you can join us. All year groups will take part, but the service will be led by our Year 5 children.

I wish you all a happy and healthy Easter break and look forward to (fingers crossed) some warmer weather as we return for the summer term. On the last page of the newsletter, I have attached the anticipated dates for the term. On subsequent newsletters, I will only include new dates and dates for the coming week, so please keep these dates handy.

Miss Jo Hale

Menu Week 1

Charity Hair Cut

A huge congratulations to Jessica Elms for raising nearly £400 for the Little Princess Trust by having her hair cut off. Thank you to everyone for sponsoring.



Well done Jessica!

Attendance

Our current whole school attendance is 95.7%. The Department for Education consider good attendance to be above 96% and ideally above 97%.

Please support your child to have good attendance by making routine medical appointments out of school hours whenever possible.

Holidays during term-time are very unlikely to be authorised so again please book holidays during school holidays.

Please remember to notify the school office of any absences by 9.30am.

Thank you for your continued support with this.

Easter Service

The Easter Service will now take place on Monday 9th April at 2pm in St Nicholas' Church. All welcome to attend.



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Diary Dates

Thursday 22 nd March	Last day of term
Friday 23rd March	INSET day – school closed to children
Monday 9 th April	First day of summer term

Cake Sale

Thanks to all involved in the cake sale that took place on parents evening. £312 has been raised so far for the Air Ambulance. Thanks for everyone's support!

Accelerated Reader

Help needed: As a school, we will be using a new book band system called Accelerated Reader. This program means that every time your child reads a book they can take a comprehension quiz on it. This gives immediate feedback on how well your child has understood a book. However, in order to use this system every book in the entire school has to be checked and given the appropriate book band. This is a huge job and we need your help! If you are available to help and are DBS cleared, please contact the school office.

Miss Bradford
English Lead

School Cleaner Needed

We have a vacancy for someone reliable to join our team.

Monday – Friday

Term time plus 2 weeks holiday cleaning

10 Hours per week 15:00 - 17:00

Grade 16 £7.83 per hour

The ideal candidate will:

- Have a broad knowledge of cleaning
- Be punctual and presentable
- Have a "here to help" attitude.
- Have an understanding of confidentiality.

To apply or express your interest in this position please **call West Pennard Primary School 01458 832866**, email westpennardprimary@gmail.com or **pop into the school office.**

The post is subject to successful safeguarding checks.

Closing Date 23rd March 12 noon

Interviews 12th April

Theatre Box

I am in the process of putting together some props and accessories for the children to use at our theatre space during lunchtime play. If you have anything that you could donate please bring it to the office. Currently I have some hats, scarves, tabards and shawls.



SAFEGUARDING

The safeguarding page on the website has been updated. Please click on the link for more information.

<https://www.westpennardschool.co.uk/statutory-information/safeguarding>

Disabled Spaces

Please can parents leave the disabled bays for people with Blue Badges or for people who really need them. We have a couple of families with limited mobility at the moment and I request your cooperation with this.

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Dates for your diaries - Summer Term 2018

Monday 9 th April	First day of the summer term Easter Service at St Nicholas' Church 2pm – All welcome
Thursday 12 th April	First trial of collective worship in the church
Tuesday 17 th April	Artefact theatre
Wednesday 18 th April	Field to Food Day Years 3, 4, 5
Tuesday 24 th April	Bags to school
Wednesday 25 th April	Class photos
Wednesday 9 th May	YR & 6 Heights and weights
Monday 14 th May	SATS week
Friday 18 th May – Monday 21 st May inclusive	Year 6 Residential to PGL Osmington Bay
Monday 28 th May - Friday 1 st June	HALF TERM
Monday 4 th June	INSET Day
Monday 11 th June	Year 5 and 6 'Virtual Reality' performance
Wednesday 13 th June	Musical Extravaganza tbc
Saturday 16 th June	Country Dancing at Wells for selected children
Wednesday 20 th June	Year 6 Pilgrim Day at Wells
Friday 22 nd June	CSI day Year 6
Saturday 23 rd June	FWPS Summer Festival – please show your support
Monday 25 th June Reserve date Friday 13 th July	Sports Day
Tuesday 3 rd July & Wednesday 4 th July	Transition Day CLP Year 6 West Pennard – Move up Day
Thursday 5 th July	Reports out to parents
Tuesday 10 th & Wednesday 11 th July	Year 6 Performance
Friday 20 th July	Leavers' Service at the Church tbc
Tuesday 24 th July	School Leavers Assembly Leavers Race
Tuesday 24 th July	Last day of term

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