



Written for the Week Beginning 11th December 2017

Dear Parents / Carers,

Thank you to everyone who supported our Christmas Fair on Friday evening. This is such an important fundraiser and the money will be used to support and enrich the educational experience of all your children. Thank you to all involved – it was a huge success! The grand total of £2100 was raised and I am reliably informed that this is the most that has ever been raised at this event.

Just to remind you, we have a school Twitter feed, which is updated regularly with important messages and updates. Please follow us @WestPennardHead

Best wishes
Miss Jo Hale



Menu Week 1

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.



Stars

Well done to the following children, who were chosen as the class 'Stars of the Week' for today's assembly:

- Year 1: Harriet & Olivia
- Year 2: Fin & Stanley
- Year 3: Evie D & Macy
- Year 4: Elias & Maiya
- Year 5: Lily & Toby H
- Year 6: Bethan & Imogen

The children are able to wear their 'star' badge for the week. Please can children return their badges to the school office after this time.

If your child has received an award outside of school, then we would love to be able to present them with it in our weekly celebration assembly.



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Email: westpennardprimary@gmail.com

Headteacher Miss J. Hale

Dates for your Diaries

Monday 11 th December	Year 1 and 2 Nativity – Dress Rehearsal 9:30am (community welcome to attend)
Tuesday 12 th December	Years R, 1 and 2 Nativity 2pm
Wednesday 13 th December	Years R, 1 and 2 Nativity 9:30 am
Wednesday 13 th December (pm)	Rainbow theatre company's production of Aladdin for the whole school
Thursday 14 th December	Year 4 trip to Museum of Somerset, Taunton
Friday 15 th December	Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 15 th December	School Disco in school hall 6:30 – 7:25 (Years R, 1 & 2) 7:30 – 8:45 (Years 3 – 6)
Tuesday 19 th December	Carol Service at St Nicholas' Church 2pm
Wednesday 20 th December	Whole School Christmas Lunch
Thursday 21 st December	Last day of term
Monday 8 th January	Children return to school 8 th January
Monday 29 th January	Year 6 trip to Bristol Life Skills – 4:15pm return

West Pennard Church Service

There is a Crib Service at St Nicholas' Church on Christmas Eve. It starts at 3:30pm. All children and their families are warmly welcomed to attend. Please come dressed as angels, shepherds or kings etc ...

What is Safeguarding?

It has been brought to my attention that there is uncertainty about the meaning of safeguarding. The following provides a definition:

Safeguarding is a term which is broader than 'child protection' and relates to the actions taken to promote the welfare of children and protect them from harm. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

With this in mind, please can you refrain from parking by the large vehicle gates outside of school. This area needs to be kept clear for emergency vehicle access and to ensure the safety of pedestrians visiting the school.



The pine cones so wonderfully painted by reception class for Santa's Grotto!! I've never seen such beautiful pine cones!

Infant Nativity

(years R, 1 & 2)

"A King is Born"

Tuesday 12th December 2pm **FULL**
Wednesday 13th December 9:30am

Ticket booking can be made up to 3pm on the 11th December, for this year's infant nativity "A King is Born"!

There are 3 tickets available per family to watch this performance. You can have 3 tickets for one performance or split the tickets over both days.

<https://westpennard.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/>

Competition details on page 3 below!

Attendance and Punctuality Policy update

The school's Attendance and Punctuality policy has been updated following advice from the Local Authority.

The main change is the revised timings for the closure of the register. School starts at 8:50am and the registers close at 9:00am. If your child arrives after 9:00 am (unless due to attending a medical appointment), then this will be recorded as an unauthorised absence and will be reflected in the child's attendance percentage figures. Children arriving persistently late will be identified and will promptly be actioned following the school's procedures.

To read the updated policy in full – click on the link or visit the school website.

<https://tinyurl.com/Attendance-PunctualityPolicy>

FWPS School Disco


Our school disco is fast approaching and will take place on Friday 15th December in the school hall.

6:30 – 7:25 (Years R, 1 & 2)

7:30 – 8:45 (Years 3 – 6)

The cost of the disco is £2 per child and there will be refreshments on sale.

There will be a signing in sheet on entrance to the hall so please do not just drop children and go. Once children are signed in parents should leave the site. School staff will be supervising.



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Christmas Haiku Competition

Write a haiku
– 3 lines of 5, 7 and 5 syllables on the theme of
'Christmas'

Here's a Haiku to help you remember:

I am first with five *(5 syllables)*
Then seven in the middle *(7 syllables)*
Five again to end *(5 syllables)*

Closing Date
Friday 15th December 2017

All entries to Mrs Robinson please