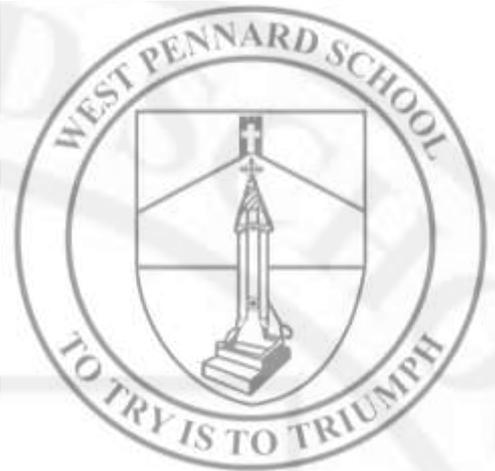


West Pennard C of E VC Primary



Well done to Caleb and Reuben who have been making great progress in their martial arts class in Street. Well done to both of you!



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

Heads Up

We welcomed the children back after the bank holiday weekend. It was a great shame that the weather wasn't kind to us all on Bank Holiday Monday. I do hope, however, that everyone managed to have a bit of quality time together.

We had a busy week in school with children in each class enjoying a variety of rich learning experiences and continuing to progress well. In Year 4 the children were writing creatively this week, thinking up exciting sentences to use that evoke the senses. The work followed the stimulus of their class reader 'The Boy Who Biked the World' and some really amazing descriptions emerged. Well done Year 4.

On Tuesday four of our children were selected to take part once again in BBC Somerset's Playground Politics. They were asked to share their thoughts on a variety of subjects, including their likes and dislikes about school and life in general and spoke very eloquently and confidently. Well done to all of them. To listen to the Breakfast Show please [click here](#).

With the Half Term break on the horizon, I wanted to make you aware of the opportunity for your children to attend the TLE Holiday Club provision, as many did over Easter here at West Pennard. TLE will be running the activity club again, but it will be

hosted this time around at St Dunstan's School, in order to increase capacity and to make best use of the greater facilities they have there. The club will run for 4 full days from 9:00 - 3:00 from Tuesday 1st to Friday 4th June at a total cost of £50. Please see the attached flyer for details.

Have a great weekend everyone

Best wishes

Mr Wheat

Stars in Our Eyes



- Year R - Jacob & Maya
- Year 1 - Nancy & Emilee
- Year 2 - Sienna-Marie & Oscar
- Year 3 - Bella & Nyree
- Year 4 - Mack & Martha
- Year 5 - Keeley & Mia
- Year 6 - Saffron & Evie D.

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 - 13 meals (43%)
- Squirrel - 16 meals (50%)
- Otter - 13 meals (42%)
- Hedgehog - 5 meals (19%)



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Mathematician and Writer of the Week

Kizzy - for super effort with our work on angles.
Ethan - for his enthusiasm for our new class text 'Holes'.

Ava - for brilliant planning for her biography.
Albert - for his fantastic responses in Maths to reasoning question.

Orlagh - for her excellent editing skills when writing the next chapter of her narrative.

Harriet - for showing great tenacity and finally cracking the bus-stop method for division.

Hollie - for her excellent use of figurative language when describing the events of Pompeii.

Antoine - for collecting the highest number of stars this week in his Doodle maths.

Sophia - for her beautifully presented calculations, carrying tens using the column grip method.

Henry - for achieving his target to check his sentences are good.

Freddie F. - for including interesting vocabulary in his writing.

Maya B. - for her great reasoning skills.

Update to our Systems

As you know, our behavior policy sets out clearly how we deal with episodes of poor behaviour in school and how we aim to encourage good behaviour rather than to simply punish poor choices by providing a range of rewards for children of all ages and abilities.

In order to have a clear and consistent approach, we have introduced a yellow card system with the intention of acting as a warning and a means of then encouraging good / better behaviour. Yellow cards will be given and you notified if behaviour choices warrant it. This will, of course follow reminders and the encouragement of good behaviour choices. Consequences and actions taken will be in line with the developmental stage/age of the child and any SEND. We use an Emotional Coaching approach towards children to help them understand their emotions and behaviours. To view the flow chart see the appendix on the behaviour policy on the website.

Bag to School



We all have clothing in our wardrobes that we haven't worn in ages! In a world of fast fashion, we now have a lot of stuff – but when it comes to a clear out what do you do to make sure the environment comes off best? On **Monday 17th May** we are having our Bag to School collection where you can donate all your unwanted items. The FWPS raise funds based on how much we collect.

Bag to School accept the following **'good quality'** items for RE-USE

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Household curtains
- Household towels
- Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

They **DO NOT** accept:

- Duvets and blankets
- Pillows and cushions
- Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
- Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
- School uniforms with and without logo
- Corporate clothing and workwear
- Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material

If you have lost your bag / didn't get one, please bag items up in a normal bin liner and just put a label on it stating 'West Pennard School' and the date of collection. Please bring them up to school on the morning of 17th May. Many thanks

Wellbeing Champions

Following the recent 'job advert' that went out a couple of weeks ago for children to apply to become a Wellbeing Champion, I can now confirm who our Champions are! I am proud to announce we have:

Year 1: George

Year 2: Oscar , Ottie S, Sol, Franklin, Alesha, Tabitha, Elijah

Year 4: Martha, Megan

The uneven spread reflects the received applications.

The Wellbeing Champions have had their first meeting last Friday where we discussed what wellbeing is and why it is important. Ideas were discussed that they put forward in their applications, which were all completely different from each other. They have now been given the mission to make their ideas into a poster, which will be displayed around school in the next week or two. Another idea was taken from their suggestions about the importance of making people laugh to feel happy. Therefore, prepare yourself..... there may be some jokes from our Wellbeing Champions being recorded to share with each class and possibly even in the newsletter so parents can have a giggle too!

Mrs Clarke

Year 2 Squash & Biscuit Competition

A huge thank you for the squash and biscuits donations. We have so much we are still counting! We enjoyed the Dragon art gallery so much, thank you everyone!

Mrs Rew



Quote of the Week

No one can make you inferior without your consent. Eleanor Roosevelt

Year 2 - Mole Class WoW

We had a lovely afternoon getting back to our roots and shoots theme planting the many seeds that were sent in. Thank you so much and all fingers and toes crossed that we have success!

Mrs Rew



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.

West Pennard PE

In PE this week, Hedgehog Class have been practicing their catching skills as part of their Rounders topic. The lesson finished with a game of Danish Longball - a game where Rounders is combined with Dodgeball to create a fast-paced, high-intensity team game.

Mr Bisgrove



BBC Radio Somerset - Playground Politics

You can listen to the Breakfast Show by [clicking here](#). The times of the children talking are as follows...

- 49:41
- 1:26.05
- 1:57.13
- 2:37.44

Key Dates: Summer Term 2021

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

May	Parents' Evening Phone calls
Friday 21 st May	Y6 Day Visit - 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 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
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 23 rd July	INSET Day