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## Weekly Newsletter

### **Harvest Festival**

Wembury Primary School will be holding a whole-school Harvest Festival. We are not able to invite parents and carers on that day due to the size of the hall. However, we will take as many photos as we can and share them with you. Each class will produce work on the theme of Farming to share with the school. The festival is a great opportunity to discuss the Sustainable Development Goals, which are a collection of 17 interlinked global goals designed to be a "blueprint to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all". We are kindly asking for a voluntary donation to Plymouth Foodbank which provides emergency food and support to local people in crisis. For the past few years, the charity was overwhelmed by your generosity. We know that these are difficult times for all, and you do not have to bring anything if you feel you can't.

### **Tempest Photography Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Families and Individual photographs**

Tempest photography will be coming to school on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October to take individual and family photographs. If you have a pre school child and would like a family photograph with siblings at school please come into school at 8.30am.

Just to confirm you do not need to bring your children into school early for a family photograph if they are already at school. We will arrange for sibling photographs to be taken. Thank you

### **Attendance and Unauthorised Holiday Absence**

We know it is really tricky this time of year with the cough and cold season starting but we have noticed that some children have already missed several days of school. If possible, please could you arrange annual dentist/medical appointment for out of school hours so that your children can remain in school.

Just a reminder we have set up an email address for parents to notify the school of any absence for your child. Please email [absence@wembury-primary.devon.sch.uk](mailto:absence@wembury-primary.devon.sch.uk) confirming the reason your child will not be at school. Thank you

We have had a number of people asking us about the rules around holiday absence below is a poster that should make it clear.

If you take your child on holiday in term time without the prior approval of the school, you may be issued a £60/£120 Penalty Fine, per parent, per child.

As a Parent/Carer, you can demonstrate your commitment to your child's education by, whenever possible, taking your holidays during school holidays.

Please see the WeST Attendance Policy for further information [Wembury Primary School - Policies](#) The Trust have provided a poster to help clarify the new rules.

# ATTENDANCE

## WHAT THE NEW RULES MEAN FOR ME

# 1

**I'm a single parent of one child and we want to go on holiday for a week.**

Your holiday will not be authorised and you must talk to the school before you book anything. Because your child will miss 5 school days you will be given a penalty notice fine. The fine is £160 but if you pay it in 21 days it will be reduced to £80.

# £160



# 2

**FOR EVERY CHILD A PENALTY IS GIVEN.**



+ £160 + £160 + £160 + £160

**4 children & 1 parent = £640**

Reduced to £320 if paid in 21 days

## IRREGULAR ATTENDANCE

# 10 IN 10

# 5

If your child is absent for 10 or more sessions in 10 weeks and their absences are unauthorised. The school will consider prosecution.

**1 Day = 2 Sessions**

# 3

## FOR A FAMILY OF TWO PARENTS



+ £160 + £160 + £160 + £160

**4 children & 2 parents = £1280**

Reduced to £640 if paid in 21 days

**If in any period of not more than 3 years, your child has a 2nd and 3rd leave of absence or pattern of irregular attendance...**

# 4

### 2ND TIME

2 parents and  
1 child = £320  
2 children = 640  
3 children = 960  
4 children = 1280

**No discount for early payment**



### 3RD TIME

A penalty notice fine will not be given. Instead, your case will be taken to court.  
A magistrate can fine each parent £2500 for each child  
**1 parent & 4 children = £10,000**  
**2 parents & 4 children = £20,000**

## **Foundation and Key Stage 1 Nativity**

8<sup>th</sup> December 4pm performance

9<sup>th</sup> December 2pm performance

## **KS2 Christmas Show**

17<sup>th</sup> December 2pm Show

17<sup>th</sup> December 5pm Show

## **Term Dates and School Calendar**

Term Dates and School Calendar can be found using the link below

[School Calendar](#)

[Term Dates](#)

## **FROWS News and Events**

Comedy Night: Thank you for your support at the comedy night, we had an amazing night and raised over £1,000.

Don't forget next Thursday 23rd is our: DOUBLE WHAMMY: Doughnut and uniform sale!!

- 🍩 DOUGHNUT'S! 🍩 <https://fb.me/e/9dgaVOGv2> 🍩 Just £1.50 for a Krispy Kreme original glazed doughnut! 🍩
- 🍩 If you wish to pre-order boxes of 12 for £12 please message or email us on [friendsofwemburyschool@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofwemburyschool@gmail.com)

Pre-orders must be made by THIS Friday 17th October

- 👕 UNIFORM and tea towels!
- 👕 <https://fb.me/e/59nwovdAr> Save the planet 🌍 and raise money for the school - second hand uniform sale. All items £1 except for jumpers which are priced at £3.

Discos 🎵🎧👯👯🎵 We have had a wonderful number of responses on the survey, thank you so much for taking the time to respond. We will review the feedback and provide any updates / changes as soon as we can.

## **The next disco is: Friday 14th November**

3:30-4:30pm EYFS and KS1

4:45-6pm KS2



Order your apple juice directly with FROWS: [friendsofwemburyschool@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofwemburyschool@gmail.com)

Do give us a follow on Facebook to stay up to date with our upcoming events. Scan the code below to go straight to our page. Or



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Kind Regards

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