

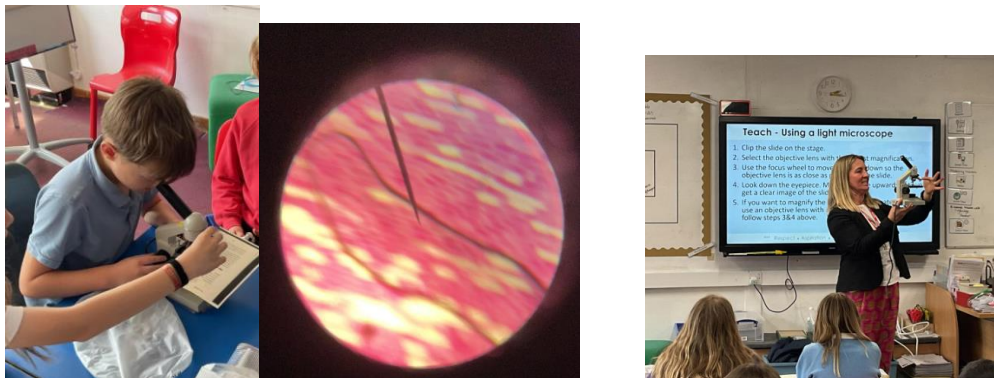
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Summer 2

Weekly Newsletter

Here is a snapshot of the activities the children have been up to this week.

Mrs Robins from Ivybridge Community College visited Y5 this week. They looked at the human life cycle and then looked at a disciplinary text called "Kay's Anatomy" to learn all about the biology of the human body. After this, they used microscopes to explore layers of an onion and make a plant cell slide!



Year 1 children have created some wonderful writing this week. They have been focusing on compound sentences!



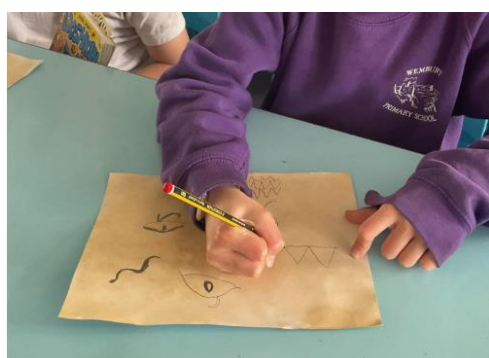
Foundation class were very excited and in PE they have been using the apparatus thinking about different ways of travelling! Everyone was so respectful and safe during this lesson and it was amazing to see the confidence of the children when moving around the hall!



During Y2's Forest School session, the children have continued to develop and enjoy their outdoor area, planting potatoes, carrots and beans, planning where to plant daffodils, setting up a 'small play' area, and reading in our Whacky Forest. A climbing frame is also in the process of being built, ready for the children to enjoy during their summer term.



Year 3 have been bringing their history learning to life and made their own version of papyrus paper.



Attendance and Unauthorised Holiday Absence – fine update -£80-£120

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 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 **£80/£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
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

4 **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...**

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

Dates and Events for Spring Term

Below is a list of dates for your diary

4th May Bank Holiday

11th Y6 SAT's Week

12-13th May Y5 Mount Batten

14th May Y5 Forest School day with National Trust

20-22nd May Y6 Residential

21st May Disco or Movie Night (FrOWS event)

8th June Y1 Phonics Screening Check Week

18th May Swimming Starts

17th June Sports Day EYFS, Y1, Y2 Am

17th June Sports Day Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6

24th June Reserve Sports Day

26th June School closed SCHOOL INSET Day

1st-3rd July Y4 Pixie's Holt

4th July Summer Fair (TBC)

13th July Y6 Show 5pm

16th July End of Term Disco (FrOWS event)

21st July Y6 Leavers Assembly 2pm

Kind Regards

Sam Wilkinson