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Summer 1

### Weekly Newsletter



Can you spot the bird's nest? Y1 learnt that birds have been out and about and created nests. They had to work collaboratively in order to ensure their nest was a safe and secure home for their egg.



Y3 are looking at Inspirational Woman in their Literacy. They are going to be writing about people who inspire them and discussing why they admire them. We are curious to discover who they choose.

### **Play Day 2026**

Thank you to everyone for making Playday such a huge success. We really appreciate all the time you took to encourage your children to practise their acts. Once again we were astounded by the talent our children have here at Wembury.

## Online Safety Newsletters

Please see the link for the online safety newsletter [Wembury Primary School - Online Safety Newsletters](#)

## Attendance and Unauthorised Holiday Absence

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.**

**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**

**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	3RD TIME
2 parents and 1 child = £320	A penalty notice fine will not be given. Instead, your case will be taken to court.
2 children = 640	A magistrate can fine each parent £2500 for each child
3 children = 960	<b>1 parent &amp; 4 children = £10,000</b>
4 children = 1280	<b>2 parents &amp; 4 children = £20,000</b>

**No discount for early payment**

## **Dates and Events for Spring Term**

Below is a list of dates for your diary

4<sup>th</sup> May Bank Holiday

11<sup>th</sup> Y6 SAT's Week

12-13<sup>th</sup> May Y5 Mount Batten

14<sup>th</sup> May Y5 Forest School day with National Trust

20-22<sup>nd</sup> May Y6 Residential

21<sup>st</sup> May Disco or Movie Night (FrOWS event)

8<sup>th</sup> June Y1 Phonics Screening Check Week

18<sup>th</sup> May Swimming Starts

17<sup>th</sup> June Sports Day EYFS, Y1, Y2 Am

17<sup>th</sup> June Sports Day Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6

24<sup>th</sup> June Reserve Sports Day

26<sup>th</sup> June School closed SCHOOL INSET Day

1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> July Y4 Pixie's Holt

4<sup>th</sup> July Summer Fair (TBC)

13<sup>th</sup> July Y6 Show 5pm

16<sup>th</sup> July End of Term Disco (FrOWS event)

21<sup>st</sup> July Y6 Leavers Assembly 2pm

Kind Regards

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