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Newsletter

We hope that you all enjoyed your bank holiday weekend, despite the weather. As the weather continues to fluctuate, we ask that children still bring a water proof coat to school as well as wearing appropriate school shoes as well.

Please ensure that all coats are named. PE days continue to remain the same.

Can I please remind all parents, despite the restrictions starting to change, that masks are still worn onto the school site when dropping off and collecting your children. We do appreciate that a team approach to this has really helped keep Weston Mill in a good position in this current climate and thank you all for your ongoing support.

A reminder that the half term week is from Monday 31st May 2021 and children will return to school for Term 6 on Monday 7th June 2021.

FRONT CAR PARK



Please can we ask that children, in the morning and at the end of the day, **DO NOT** play around the cars parked on the edge of the front playground. This week, Mr Wilkins has his driver mirror taken off (it was there when he parked his car in the morning).

As you can imagine this is not what we hope to see from our community and hope that moving forward all children engage with one another in the centre of the space and not near the parked cars.

Many thanks

Mrs Dinnis

IMPORTANT DATES 2021

17/05/21 - Year 6 Swimming Lessons

18/05/21 - Parents Evening (please book)

19/05/21 - Parents Evening (please book)

25/05/21 - Phone Consult (please book)

26/05/21 - Phone Consult (please book)

31/05/21 - 4/06/21 Half Term

07/06/21 - Children return to school

28/06/21 - Individual School Photos

23/07/21 - Last day of term

26/07/21 - 03/09/21 Summer Holidays

06/09/21 - Non pupil Day

07/09/21 - Non pupil Day

08/09/21 - Children return to school

SCHOOL PHOTOS

On **Monday 28th June**, we will be able to invite Jelly Images into school to take **individual school photos only**.



There will be no opportunity for sibling or family photos at this time.

We hope, all being well to offer this in the Autumn term, but will obviously wait and see how things develop over the next few months. Many thanks.

PARENTS EVENINGS - REMINDER

Parents face to face meetings will take place on Tuesday 18th May and Wednesday 19th May. If you are unable to attend on either of these days, there will also be an opportunity to book a phone consult with the class teacher on Tuesday 25th May or Wednesday 26th May.

To book your appointment you must either phone 365250 or email the office on westonmill.reception@discoverymat.co.uk

SHOUT OUT!

Honeysuckle – Max and Barna (first millionaire in the class) and Alfie H

Cornflower – Ella and Logan

Teasel – Lily S, Grace and Paige

Poppy – Lyra and Leonie

Primrose – Ryder, Kacie, Martin, Chloe and Jackson

Dandelion – Kane, Winter and Vinnie

Violet – Elizabeth, Emily, Oscar and Junior

Buttercup – Jack and Lenny

Bluebell – Jacob W, Emily and Marcie

Daisy – Merlin

Snowdrop – Yasa and Oliver H



ART COMPETITION

From Vistry Partnerships South West, who are currently working on the North Prospect Phase 4 Development. We thought it would be great fun to launch an art competition for the local primary students to brighten up the hoarding around our development.

We are inviting the children to design their 'dream home'. Judges will then choose the best designs to be added to the hoarding, and the overall winner will receive a £50 One4All voucher.

Children have until 28th May 2021 to get their designs into school and handed to their class teacher, where they will then be sent off for judging.

Please ensure that all entries have your child's name, school and age on the back of it.

Good luck everyone!



Attendance for w/c 26/042021

The expected average percentage attendance for a child is 96%. Please see below the current class attendance data.

Daisy	97.6%
Bluebell	97.5%
Buttercup	95.5%
Violet	92.3%
Dandelion	94.6%
Poppy	98.2%
Primrose	90.4%
Teasel	93.8%
Cornflower	93.0%
Honeysuckle	95.6%

SWIMMING

LESSONS - YEAR 6



Year 6 swimming lessons will take place at **Plymouth Life Centre** and will begin on **Monday 17th May**, and run from Monday to Friday for 2 weeks, ending on **Friday 28th May**. Children will need to bring their towel and swimwear everyday and a plastic bag to store their wet clothes in.

The swimming lesson programme adheres to the Swim England school swimming and water safety guidelines and National Curriculum Key Stage 2 skills (the guidelines set by the government as the standard level of swimming for primary school leavers).

Please see the welcome letter that was sent home today with your child. A copy is also on our website.

SNOWDROP CLASS

Due to recent changes in staff within the school, we would like to let you know that Mrs Claire Glennon will be joining us in Snowdrop Class and will work alongside Mrs Wye, Mr Wilkins, Miss May and Mrs Rosewarne in supporting your child's learning until the end of the Summer term.

We are looking forward to all of the new and fun learning opportunities that she will bring to the Foundation environment over the coming months.

NATIONAL CLEAN UP YOUR ROOM DAY

May 10th is National Clean up your room day. This has been shared with the children in their assembly today.



IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PARENTS FREE SCHOOL MEALS CRITERIA

You may be entitled to apply for Free School Meals for your child/ren if you receive Universal Credit, Income Support, Income Based Job Seekers Allowance, Income Related Element of Employment and Support Allowance, Guaranteed Credit element of Pension Credit or Child Tax Credit (without Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of £16,190 or less.

We would urge parents who may be eligible for Free School Meals for the children to complete an **online application form on Plymouth City Council's website**.

This is very important, even if your child does not wish to take up the free meal. The register of FSM entitlement affects our overall school budget and we may be missing out on funding as a result.

Please do not confuse this with the Universal Free School Meal entitlement for children in Years Reception to Year Two.



LUNCHES

ALL SCHOOL LUNCHES MUST BE PAID FOR IN ADVANCE.

Please ensure your child's Parent Pay lunch account is topped up and any amount owing cleared today.

Children are now be able to choose a Sandwich option (Cheese, Ham or Tuna) for their lunch. All other hot lunch options are available as well.

A copy of the Lunch Menu is on our school website.

Please contact the school office if you need any assistance with your payments.

Thank you.



FOLLOW US ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE

We are very excited to announce the launch of our Weston Mill Community Primary Academy Facebook page. Please follow our page for news and information.



Also you can refer to our school website for latest news and calendar dates.

PLYMOUTH HOCKEY CLUB

Plymouth Panthers U10s played and won their first competitive game on Sunday, against Devonport Dragons.

Some of our players have only been playing for 3 weeks. It was amazing to see how 12 players from 10 different schools play so well together after only a short period of training. Every player had a great time, leaving for home with a real buzz!

Players were from Compton PS, Drake PS, Eggbuckland Vale PS, Elburton PS, Holy Cross PS, Manadon Vale PS, Mayflower Academy, Salisbury Road PS, St Budeaux Foundation and St Matthews PS.

If you would like your children to enjoy a fun, friendly and safe environment, please encourage them to come down and play.

Remember, we offer 6-weeks trial without charge.



PLYMOUTH ARGYLE

Our Argyle Community Trust Whitsun Roadshows for 2021 will be running from Monday 31st May (Bank Holiday) until Friday 4th June with different topics of Roadshows running at a variety of venues. These will be running different to future years due to limitations and restrictions within the numbers that can attend to ensure all children who attend are safe and these are offered in line with the FAs and the Governments Covid 19 guidelines. These will be offered on a first come first serve basis. Please see the link below for venues and prices.

All roadshows can be booked on the below link and once the spaces have gone we will not be able to accept any more bookings once spaces are gone so please book in advance to avoid disappointment.

<https://argylecommunitytrust.co.uk/soccer-roadshows/in-plymouth/>

