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Dear Parents,



Next week we will be launching our new School Travel Plan which our children and parents have been helping to develop. We would like as many children as possible to walk, bike or scooter to school and we have been lucky enough to be successful at securing funding for this. As part of this initiative we are looking for parents who are happy to be paid as part of our 'walking bus'. This will be for half an hour each morning. We are looking forward to support as many children as possible. Please come and give your details to the office if you are interested. Full training will be given. More details for the children will follow.



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**Fuel Club**  
Plymouth Argyle have been in this week to work with our children before school to get them ready for their learning. It has been great to see so many of our children there; we are keen that all of Year 5 attends. There will be rewards for those children who attend and this will count towards their Children's University

### Pupil Questionnaire

The Children recently completed a questionnaire in school to let us know how they feel about their school, and how we can make it better. These are just being collated and we will send out their views in the next newsletter. Thank you to all the children who participated.

### Parent Voice

Thank you to those parents who attended our recent meeting where issues around travelling safely to school were discussed. Our next meeting is on 20<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm. Further details will be disclosed nearer the time.

### Ofsted

On Thursday and Friday last week Ofsted made their fourth monitoring visit to us, following a no-notice call. Please see the letter attached for more information on the inspection.

### Term 4 Attendance

Isles of Scilly - 92.1%  
Anglesey - 95.7%  
Cornwall - 88.5%  
Inverness - 92.7%  
Dorset - 98.2%  
Glamorgan - 95.2%  
Cumbria - 97%  
Warwick - 96.7%  
Somerset - 94%  
Gwynedd - 97.5%  
Berkshire - 93.6%  
Northumberland - 92.2%

**Well done to Dorset for having the best attendance so far this Term!**

### World Book Day

Weston Mill will be celebrating World Book Day over the whole of March. Activities include:

- 5/03/12 - Story Telling Workshop for KS1.
- 12/02/12 - Fun Reading activities for the whole School.
- 22/03/12 - Schoolastic Book Fair, where Children can use their World Book Day voucher towards a new book.

Vouchers will be distributed on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March and more information will follow about the book fair.

### P.T.F.A

Thank you to all parents for their brilliant response to the 'Bags2School' scheme. Your hard work paid off and we raised £200! There will be another collection on 26<sup>th</sup> June, so please keep us in mind when you have a clear out.

The Valentines Disco and 50/50 Lotto raised a combined £261.90. Thank you to the P.T.F.A for their dedication and continuous commitment to fund raising for the school.

The P.T.F.A will be meeting on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March and would love to see some new parents should they wish to join in.

### P.S.A Notices

#### Walking Group

On 12<sup>th</sup> March I will be launching a walking group, we will set off from School at 9am and walk various routes in the area. This group provides parents with the opportunity to make new friends and get fit. All Parents are invited including parents with prams. We look forward to seeing you!

#### Sewing Class

The sewing class has been running since September and members of the group have become proficient sewing machine users. Recent creations include bags and aprons for the staff to use during Read Write Inc lessons. This is a drop in session, anyone is welcome to join. The session runs on a Tuesday afternoon from 1pm.

#### Healthy Lifestyles Course

Next Term we will be starting a Healthy Lifestyles course, as always the course and childcare are free. There will be more information to follow.

#### Bug Busting Week

As with all Primary Schools the battle to keep children nit free is a struggle. On the week beginning 12<sup>th</sup> March we will be having a 'Bug Busting Week'. All children will be given a picture to colour and have the opportunity to win a prize for the best effort. You as parents will be asked to check your children's hair for infestations and treat them. The completion entry will only be accepted if the parents have signed to say their children have been checked. Look out for your bugs on 12<sup>th</sup> Monday.

### Keeping Our Young People Safe

The Adventure Activities Licensing Act was introduced in 1995 due to the need for the licensing of adventure activities. This Act legislates a code of practice for schools and Colleges. The Government are attempting to repeal this act and replace it with a voluntary code of practice. We do not want this to happen and urge all parents to visit <http://epetitions.direct.gov.uk/petitions/24819> to sign so that this important safety issue can be discussed in the commons.

#### Class Assemblies

**16.03.12** – All of Year 5 and Year 6 assembly.

**23.3.12** – All of Year 3 and Year 4 assembly.

All Class Assemblies start at 2:15 unless otherwise advised.