

Newsletter

Friday 27th February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you and your families had a restful and enjoyable break last week and it was lovely to see many of our children attend the two Fit and Fed Programmes hosted by Pembrokeshire Sport and Haverfordwest Town AFC. We have been pleased to welcome everyone back for the start of the Spring half term and extend a warm welcome to our new families, and we are looking forward to another busy and productive few weeks ahead.

Estyn Inspection & Parents' Meeting

Estyn, the education and training inspectorate for Wales, will be with us from **Monday to Wednesday** next week.

As part of the inspection process, inspectors invite parents and carers to attend a meeting on **Monday 2nd March from 3.30 p.m.** in the school hall to share their views about the school. This provides an important opportunity for you to contribute your perspectives and experiences, so please make every effort to attend (childcare will be provided by school staff for the duration of the meeting).

Asymmetric Week

Thank you for participating in the recent questionnaire which resulted in 159 responses and favoured the continuation of the current model, which will be shared at the next meeting of the Full Governing Body on Wednesday 11th March. The governors will view all comments received and any follow up actions will be shared with all parents/carers at a later date.

Safeguarding

Our governor and local councillor, Alun Wills is actively engaging with the local authority to improve our car park site to enable more parking spaces and a safer walking route for pedestrians. In the meantime, we have the support of PCSOs Jack and Eric, who hope to be present on occasions at the end of the school day along with caretaker, Mr Taylor. We also encourage all drivers to adhere to the 5 m.p.h. speed limit when accessing the school site to support the safety of all pedestrians.

St. David's Day Celebrations

This year St. David's Day falls on Sunday 1st March, when Haverfordwest AFC will be hosting a family day at Bridge Meadow Stadium (please see poster on Class Dojo). At school this Friday Year 5 and 6



children are invited to wear traditional costumes/colours of the Welsh flag/something red when they will be taking part in the Annual St. David's Day Parade at Haverfordwest Town Centre and parents are welcome to accompany the classes on the walk.

On **Monday 2nd March all children** will be taking part in the School Eisteddfod and are invited to dress for the occasion, (traditional costumes/colours of the Welsh flag/something red).

World Book Day and Parents' Workshops

World Book Day falls on **Thursday 5th March** and children (and staff) are invited to dress as a character from a favourite book and then return to school from 6 - 7 p.m. dressed in their pyjamas/onesies with their favourite teddies for our Annual Bedtime Stories Event. Whilst the children enjoy listening to stories parents can attend workshops with teachers, who will share how we are teaching the newly introduced program, Winning with Numbers to develop our pupils' fluency with numbers and the Read Write Inc (RWInc) phonics programme.

Urdd Competitions

We have received many entries for the different art and craft competitions, which we are very proud of, and we have the entries on display for all our children to see and the winners will be announced soon and entered into the Local Urdd Eisteddfod. Again, we have children practising their recitation pieces ahead of the St. David's Area Eisteddfod at Letterston on Thursday March 12th along with two choirs, who will be competing against each other and other local schools. We wish all competitors good luck in their activities.

Science Week

Just a reminder that our first ever STEM Fair will take place on **Thursday 12th March**, linked to British Science Week and this year's theme:

🔍 "Curiosity: What's the question?"

All pupils from Nursery to Year 6 are invited to take part and if your child would like to enter, please let their class teacher know and they can begin working on their project at home. Children should start with a question they are curious about, for example:

"What makes ice melt faster?"

Projects can be practical, creative or digital, and will be judged by special guest judges with prizes to be won!

We can't wait to see the children's curiosity and creativity shine!



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Comic Relief's Red Nose Day

This year our year 3 teachers, Miss Harding and Mrs Newman are organising Prendergast's Got Talent, which will take place on **Thursday 19th March**. Our children will be voting for their class representative/act ahead of the performance day, and we will host a non-school uniform day on **Red Nose Day, Friday 20th March** and any donations will be raised for the charity.

Parents' Meetings

This term's meetings with teachers will take place after school from **Monday 16th to Thursday 19th March** and the appointments and booking system will be made available to all parents/carers prior to this week. We hope that you will take the opportunity to meet with teachers and discuss your child/children's progress.

Easter Activities

Following the success of the Valentine's Bingo we will be hosting an Easter Bingo on **Wednesday 25th March** for our community and our Friends of Prendergast PTA are organising an egg decorating competition – more details to follow!

Attendance & Wellbeing

Strong attendance remains a priority, as it plays a vital role in children's progress and confidence. If you have any concerns regarding your child's wellbeing or attendance, please do not hesitate to contact the school. We are always here to support you.

School Clothing and Personal Items

At Prendergast School, wearing our uniform is something to be proud of. When children wear their uniform, we believe that it helps everyone feel equal and supports their readiness to learn. Our uniform also helps our children to be easily recognised on trips and in the local community. Thank you to our families for your continued support in ensuring children come to school dressed ready for the day ahead. We are grateful to the many donations of school clothing, which are readily available in the school foyer for all families to access. Please help us to identify items and encourage our children's independence by naming all items to limit the amount of lost property that we have amassing in the school.

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing partnership and commitment to our school community.

We look forward to a successful and positive half term.

Ms. John
Headteacher



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Diary Dates:

Friday 27 th February	Years 5 & 6 - St David's Day Parade in Haverfordwest Town
Friday 27 th February	Wear Red for Ty Hafan
Sunday 1 st March	St David's Day Community Event at Bridge Meadow Stadium
Monday 2 nd March	School Eisteddfod - Pupils invited to wear colours of the Welsh flag or traditional costumes
Monday 2 nd March	Final Year 4 Swimming Session
Monday 2 nd March to Wednesday 4 th March	Estyn Inspection
Tuesday 3 rd March	Haverfordwest Cluster Project with ABC Opera - Year 5 and 6 visit to St David's Cathedral
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day Event - Bedtime Stories and Parent Workshops from 6 to 7pm
Monday 9 th to Friday 13 th March	British Science Week
Monday 9 th March to 18 th May	Year 3 Swimming Sessions - Every Monday
Thursday 12 th March	Local Eisteddfod at Letterston a.m.
Thursday 12 th March	Science Fair from 1pm. All Welcome to attend
Saturday 14 th March	Valero Music Festival
Monday 16 th to Thursday 19 th March	Parent's Meetings
Wednesday 18 th March	Fire Safety Awareness for Year 2 and 5
Thursday 19 th March	Prendergast's Got Talent
Friday 20 th March	Red Nose Day 2026 - Theme: The Sillier the Better! Non-School Uniform Day. Donations for Comic Relief welcome
Saturday 21 st March	Urd County Eisteddfod at Ysgol Bro Gwaun, Fishguard from 9am
Monday 23 rd March	Year 4 PBuzzes' Celebration at HHVC School
Tuesday 24 th March	Dark Sky Wales Experience for Year 6
Wednesday 25 th March	Easter Bingo - Fundraiser for residential trips
Wednesday 25 th March	Year 5 Science Activities with Tim Brew
Friday 27 th March	Last day of Spring Term
Friday 27 th March	Prendergast pupils invited to Haverfordwest Town AFC v Britton Ferry K.O. at 7.45pm at Bridge Meadow Stadium
Monday 30 th March	Pembrokeshire Sports Multi-activity Session for Service Children
Monday 30 th March to Friday 10 th April	Easter Break - School Closed
Monday 13 th April	INSET #5 - School Closed to Pupils
Tuesday 14 th April	School reopens for all pupils for Summer Term



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Monday 1 st June	Year 3 & 4 Practice for Swimming Gala
Monday 8 th June	Year 3 & 4 Swimming Gala
Monday 15 th June	Year 5 & 6 Practice for Swimming Gala
Monday 22 nd June	Year 5 & 6 Swimming Gala
Tuesday 30 th June to Friday 3 rd July	Year Residential Trip to Celtic Camping
Monday 20 th July	INSET #6 - School Closed to Pupils



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