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30<sup>th</sup> January 2026

### **A message from Mrs Taylor**

I am writing to let you know that Mrs Stroulger and Mrs Beck are currently not in school. We look forward to welcoming them both back soon. Please continue to contact myself, class teachers or the school office on dojo or in person with any queries.

### **EPA and MSA Vacancies**

We currently have 2 exciting opportunities to join the Wells Primary and Nursery School Team on a fixed term contract until 31/08/2026.

We are looking for an EPA for 22.5 hours per week (Monday-Friday 08:30-13:00). <https://mynewterm.com/jobs/144975/EDV-2026-WPANS-80382>

We are also looking for an MSA for 5 hours per week (Monday-Friday 12:00-13:00). <https://mynewterm.com/jobs/144975/EDV-2026-WPANS-01482>

We look forward to welcoming applications.

### **Orienteering Mapping and Launch Day – 5th February**

With some of the PE Premium money, to make use of the incredible space we have outside, we are having the school site mapped for an orienteering course, which is exciting for PE and also all other subjects as the package also includes online cross-curricular lesson plans for all subjects covering EYFS - Y6. The school is being mapped on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb, all teachers will be receiving training on how to use the resource on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> and then we will be having a launch day on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Feb where all classes will get to experience our course. We are really excited about having this resource in school and know it will be beneficial for all pupils.

### **PFA News**

We are looking forward to a busy year ahead of events with an upcoming Easter Bingo, date to be confirmed. Valentines Disco- We are postponing the disco until later in the year as we have lots of children and staff with coughs and colds and we want everyone to be able to come along and enjoy themselves. We will announce the new date next half term.

Please look out for some exciting news coming up in the next few weeks!

We are delighted to see our Year 6 children looking very smart and warm wearing their Leavers hoodies which we have sponsored for each child.

### **Values Awards**

### **Good Work Awards**

<b>Seashells</b>	Albert	<b>Seashells</b>	Tallulah
<b>Sea Lavender</b>	Leo	<b>Sea Lavender</b>	Onni
<b>Oysters</b>	Seth	<b>Oysters</b>	Lynn timer
<b>Marsh Mallow</b>	Dom	<b>Marsh Mallow</b>	Albie
<b>Samphire</b>	Elke	<b>Samphire</b>	Bailey and Riley

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Barnacles	Riley J	Barnacles	Freddie
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### **Term Dates for 2025-2026**

<https://www.wensumtrust.org.uk/wells-next-the-sea/parents-and-carers/term-dates>

2<sup>nd</sup> February Cluster Girls Football Event  
13<sup>th</sup> February Last Day of Spring 1 Term  
23<sup>rd</sup> February First Day of Spring 2 Term  
9<sup>th</sup> March Cluster Swimming Gala  
27<sup>th</sup> March Last Day of Spring 2 Term  
14<sup>th</sup> April First Day of Summer 1 Term  
28<sup>th</sup> April - Sea Lavenders Class Assembly 9am  
4<sup>th</sup> May Bank Holiday Monday-School Closed  
11-15<sup>th</sup> May SATS Week for Year 6  
18<sup>th</sup> May Cluster Tri-Golf Event  
19<sup>th</sup> May Oysters Class Assembly 9am  
22<sup>nd</sup> May Last Day of Summer 1 Term  
1<sup>st</sup> June First Day of Summer 2 Term  
2<sup>nd</sup> June - SeaShells Class Assembly 9am  
8<sup>th</sup> June Cluster Mini Tennis Event  
16<sup>th</sup> June - Marsh Mallows Class Assembly 9am  
22<sup>nd</sup> June Cluster Kwik Cricket Event  
30<sup>th</sup> June - Samphire Class Assembly 9am  
6<sup>th</sup> July Cluster Volleyball Event  
14<sup>th</sup> July - Barnacles (Leavers) Class Assembly 9am  
17<sup>th</sup> July Last Day of Summer 2 Term

*Our School Designated Safeguarding Leads are Mrs Stroulger, Mrs Taylor & Mrs Beck*

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# Penalty Notice Fines for School Attendance are changing!



With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines issued **after 19th August 2024**.

## Per Parent, Per Child

Penalty Notice Fines are issued to each parent, for each child that was absent. For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

## National Threshold

There will be a single consistent national threshold for when a penalty notice must be considered by all schools in England of 10 sessions (usually equivalent to 5 school days) of unauthorised absence within a rolling 10 school week period. These sessions do not have to be consecutive and can be made up of a combination of any type of unauthorised absence. The 10-school week period can span different terms or school years.

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## First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for unauthorised absence the amount will be:

- £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.
- Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

## Second Offence (within 3 years)

- The Second time a Penalty Notice is issued for unauthorised absence the amount will be:
- £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.

## Third Offence and Any Further Offences (within 3 years)

- The third time an offence is committed a Penalty Notice will not be issued and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrate's Court. Prosecution can result in criminal records and fines of up to £2,500.
- Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on the parent's future DBS certificate due to 'failure to safeguard a child's education'.

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