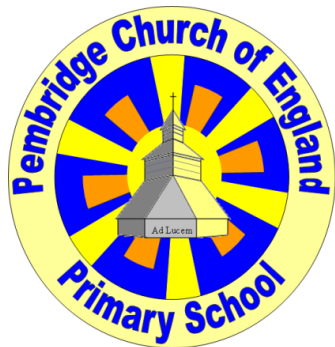




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To the Light: News from Pembroke CE Primary School

Friday 9th January 2026

Inspiring learning
through faith
and values.

Dates for your diaries:

For all clubs, please book
in with Mrs Targett.

Monday 12th January

3.15-4.15 KS1 (R-Y2) sports
C3 Forest School

Tuesday 13th January

3.15-4.30 Spotlight Club

Wednesday 14th January

NO AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Whole school staff training

3.15-4.15 Singing Club

Thursday 15th January

3.15-4.30 KS2 (Y3-Y6) sports

Friday 16th January

Wednesday 28th January

NO SINGING CLUB

Thursday 29th January

Friends of Pembroke School

AGM, 7pm at the New Inn – all
welcome.

Friday 30th January

Height and weight measured for
YR and Y6 children

Monday 16th-Friday 20th February

HALF TERM

Monday 4th March

World Book Day

9am Class 2 worship:

parents and friends welcome to
'stay and play' afterwards.

Friday 13th March

9am Class 1 worship:

parents and friends welcome to
'stay and play' afterwards.

Wednesday 18th March

9am Class 3 worship:

parents and friends welcome to
'stay and play' afterwards.

Friday 20th March

Reports out.



Dear parents and carers,

I hope that you have had an enjoyable holiday! We are still officially in the Christmas season according to the Church, so we have every reason to continue to be uplifted with joy and peace. However, we also know that getting back into a routine is very welcome!

As soon as you can, please get back into the habit of regularly reading with your child. Both reading to and hearing them read to you are so important. Please let us know about these times in the reading record book which most children have. Learning spellings and times tables are essential. We know that when children do this regularly, they make increased progress in all areas. Please do all you can. If you'd like suggestions on how to help your child, please contact your child's class teacher. Our website is a helpful starting place too.

Dates and other important information will always be shared here on the newsletter. Class WhatsApp groups are not formally looked at by school staff though we are often aware of messages. Please contact us directly or through the school office for accurate and up-to-date information.

Have a good weekend.

Kind regards,

THE VALUE THIS MONTH IS



We are looking forward to seeing examples of our school community showing respect to themselves, each other and to the world. Mrs Palmer has written the latest Family Values Newsletter.

'The God who gives you peace
will be with you.'

Philippians 4:9

*Gracious Father, we thank You for
the gift of this new year, 2026—a
fresh start filled with hope and
new possibilities. We place our
lives, our hopes, and our
intentions into Your loving hands.
Amen.*

Attendance Update: Thinking of booking a holiday?

We know this is the time of year when many families start planning trips - just a quick reminder: **please make sure any holidays are booked within the school holidays.** Government guidance is clear that term-time holidays can only be authorised in exceptional circumstances, and these need to be agreed with the school in advance by writing to the headteacher four weeks before the intended absence. Unauthorised absences can lead to fines, and more importantly, missing school can really impact your child's learning and confidence. Before you confirm any bookings, please check our school term dates on the [website](#); it's the easiest way to avoid stress later. If you think your situation might be exceptional, get in touch with us early so we can talk it through. For further information please see our [school attendance policy](#) and this [parent guide](#) to attendance.

Dates for your diaries continued:

Wednesday 25th March

Parent consultations

Friday 27th March

End of term service, St Mary's Church, 1.30pm



HELPFUL INFORMATION

Scan this QR code for a one-stop shop for any information regarding SEND.



DON'T FORGET:

Before-School Club

8am-8.45am (daily) £3 a session

After-School Club:

3.15-5pm (Mon-Thu), 3.15-4.30 (Fri)

£7 a session

BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL and a week in advance please.

PLEA

If anyone has an old jigsaw mat they no longer use, After School Club would be very grateful!

OUR VISION

Pembridge is a school where our creative teaching and learning is of the highest quality and where we encourage everyone to be inspired through faith in God and to live by Christian values so that our whole community flourishes and we reflect all that is 'worthy of praise'.

We encourage you to share our learning at home.

	This week we have been learning about...	...and what to look forward to.
Nursery	A great first week back at Nursery. The children have all come back with great enthusiasm for learning. We welcome Caspar and his family. The children have enjoyed retelling the story 'The three little pigs' and saying the phrase 'I'll huff and I'll puff and blow your house down'. We have also started to get involved in the Big School bird hunt and go on walks around our beautiful surroundings listening carefully and looking with detail to the birds we have discovered. Some wonderful bird crafts have been created, so please take a look on Seesaw.	Next week, we look forward to reading Supertato and learning the rhyme 'One potato two potato'. If you manage to get out on any snowy walks and happen to see any birds please show us on Seesaw.
Class 1 (Reception and Year 1)	his week Reception and Year 1 have been investigating 2D shapes. We have been thinking about their different properties, looking closely at the similarities and differences between a rectangle and a square.  	Next week we will continue to look at our new focus text 'The Way Back Home' by Oliver Jeffers. We will be writing speech bubbles to share our ideas about what the boy and Martian might have said to each other. Have you got any other books at home by Oliver Jeffers that you could share with your family?
Class 2 (Year 2 and Year 3)	Well done to Class 2 for their colourful interpretation of volcanic eruptions (see left) using the work of Sir Frank Bowling as their inspiration.	Class 2 will be taking part in five sessions run by Longtown Outdoor on Wednesday afternoons. Please bring outdoor clothing on these days.
Class 3 (Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6)	Year 4 were introduced to Beowulf in English and have enjoyed transforming their partners into mythical heroes.  Year 5 and 6 have been introduced to Macbeth this week in English and have enjoyed their role-play activities.	Please remember to bring old clothes, waterproofs and wellies for Forest School on Mondays this term. Good luck to the Year 4's who are taking part in their football tournament on Thursday afternoon.

PLEASE REMEMBER

- ALL CLOTHING must be labelled with your child's name – it makes such a difference!
- For safety's sake, jewellery (necklaces, bracelets etc) should not be worn to school. Stud earrings must be removed by the child for PE or not worn on days when it is PE.
- Class teachers may not regularly look at their emails during the day. To pass on urgent information, please email the school office where it can be passed on more efficiently
- Please let Mrs Targett know if your child is NOT attending their usual club so that we are fully aware.
- Don't forget your child needs a coat for damp weather or a sunhat for when the sun shines!
- Grapes and cherry tomatoes need to be cut in half lengthways, to avoid choking hazards.
- No popcorn for young children for similar reasons
- We are a NO NUT school – please check ingredients in packed lunches.

CONGRATULATIONS

We enjoy hearing about achievements awarded outside school – do share them with us.

We will include names here of children here who have been awarded certificates in their classes.

Gold certificates: Hollie S – for being so kind and helpful. Elliarna – for great attempts at independent writing. Arthur – for super independent writing. Max – for returning to work to improve and complete. Ellie – fantastic engagement and independence in English, Fleur – great contributions in English.

Learning Ambassador: Ellie J

Courtesy Cup: Emma M