



# Weare Academy C of E First School

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2023  
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Weekly Bulletin – Keeping you informed!

*Please note this bulletin can be found on the school website and paper copies are also available in the perspex folder outside the school office.*

## Upcoming Events:

Date	Class	Detail, Timing and Venue	Date	Class	Detail, Timing and Venue
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct		First Day of Term	Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov		Rainbow Woods Parents Evening
Tues 31 <sup>st</sup>			Tues 7 <sup>th</sup>		Rainbow Woods Parents Evening
Weds 1 <sup>st</sup>	Class 4	Swimming at Kings Leisure	Weds 8 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4	Swimming at Kings Leisure Rainbow Woods Parents Evening
Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup>			Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup>		Rainbow Woods Parents Evening
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup>			Fri 10 <sup>th</sup>		



### Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents/Carers

Our pupils did us proud this week at the Harvest service at St Gregory's church. It was well worth the rainy walk to and from the church and everyone enjoyed eating the delicious Harvest buns which Bumble Bee and Beetle Class made for the whole school when they got back to school.

Our Butterfly and Dragonfly class held their first showcase and invited parents in to hear all about it. Look out for the other year group showcases next half term.

Last night our School Disco run by The Friends of Weare was well supported and great number of chocolates were donated for our Tombola stall.

It has been a great start to the new academic year.

Wishing you all a lovely half term.

Best Wishes

Emma Tovey

### Diary Dates for 2023 to 2024

All diary dates show on our website calendar, which you are now able to subscribe to, just click the subscribe button on our website calendar and follow the instructions.

## Harvest Festival Service and Collection

Thank you to everyone who attended the Harvest Festival and contributed items for the food bank.

## After School Clubs

Spaces are available for Football Years 3/4 and Singing Years 2/3/4. Details available on Dojo and Parent Pay. If your child is registered as pupil premium, please contact the school office to book their place.

## Vacancies

We are looking for new people to join the staff team in Breakfast Club and After School club, if you are interested in applying for one of these positions, please see - <https://wessexlearningtrust.co.uk/vacancies>

## Winter Uniform

When we return to school on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October, children will need to wear winter uniform; this will include a tie for all children. Ties are available to purchase online at MACpac.com or Parent PAY.

## Pre Loved Uniform

There is a PTA Facebook page where you can order Pre-Loved Uniform, please search for 'Weare Academy Pre Loved Uniform'

## Christmas Fayre

Please note the new date for the Christmas Fayre-Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 5.30-7.30pm

## Holiday Club

Wedmore Out of School Childcare Half Term Holiday Club We will be open for some Autumn Holiday Club fun on Tuesday 24, Wednesday 25 and Thursday 26 October 2023 8.30am – 5.30pm at Wedmore First School Academy We are Ofsted registered and welcome children aged 4 years and over from any school. For Bookings and further details please Email: [wedmoreafterschoolclub@hotmail.com](mailto:wedmoreafterschoolclub@hotmail.com) or Whatsapp: 07813 710544

## Reception New Admissions & Middle School Admissions for September 2024

For children due to start school for the first time or transfer to a junior or middle school the closing date for applications is the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

The primary and secondary admission guides for the 2024 admissions process can be found on the website [www.somerset.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.somerset.gov.uk/admissions) from September. Parents/carers are advised to read the guide thoroughly before making an online application.

## Year 4 Swimming

Year 4 have enjoyed their first half term of swimming at Kings Leisure Centre.

Just to confirm: swimming lessons are funded by the school and we only request payment for the coach transport to and from school. They have thoroughly enjoyed their sessions at Kings Leisure which provides us with 3 swimming coaches for each lesson, so the children are taught all at the same time, in three small groups to optimise their learning.

Year 4 will continue their lessons for the second half of the Autumn term and then there will be one more lesson on 10<sup>th</sup> January to make up one lost to our Christmas performance on 6<sup>th</sup> December. Something for Year 3 to look forward to in the Spring term.

## Flu Vaccinations

We have been advised by the school nursing team the flu vaccination date has changed from Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October to **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November**. Please can everyone complete the link even if you do not require your child to be vaccinated.

Please click here [NHS Letter](#)

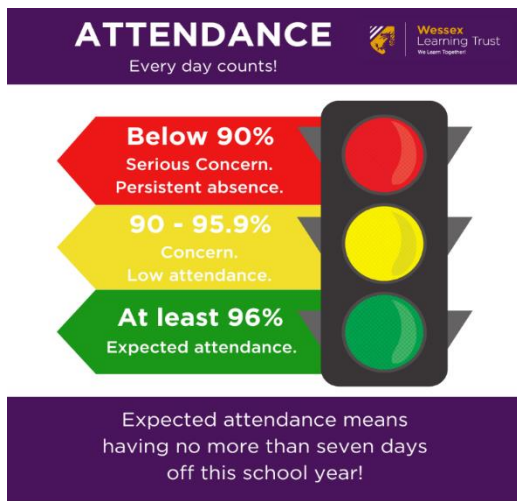
## Allergies:

Please note we are a **NUT FREE** school in addition we are also a **KIWI FRUIT** free school. This means no nuts or kiwi fruits are to be brought into school for snacks or in packed lunches.

## Year 3 & Year 4 Free School Meals

If your child is in Year 3 or Year 4 and you feel that you may be eligible to Free School Meals, please complete the online application at [www.somerset.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](http://www.somerset.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals)

## Attendance



## Safeguarding

Please see the attached link for regular updates on the SCC safeguarding website

<https://sscb.safeguardingsomerset.org.uk/>

## This week in...

**Reception Class:** In Reception we have been thinking about how we look after our pets and we have written a list for items that Boris our pet hamster needs for us to look after him. We have talked about Black History month and have read a story called 'We are all different', we have also been learning all about the famous footballer Marcus Rashford and how when he was young his mum had to get food from a food bank. We were so proud of how amazingly the Reception children sang their harvest song in the church this week.

**Year 1 Class:** This week we have been looking at different materials with the emphasis being on recycling. The children all learnt about items which can be recycled and the effect certain materials are having on our sea and the planet. We also concentrated our learning on split digraph sounds 'a\_e', 'i\_e', 'o\_e', 'e\_e', and 'u\_e'. The children have transitioned well from Reception to Year 1 and enjoyed presenting their work to their parents on Wednesday afternoon.

**Year 2 Class:** What a busy week we have had. We have been finishing off our persuasive write leaflets about treasure islands. When we return from half term break we will use our island designs and models to write a leaflet persuading visitors to come to our own islands!! Mrs Gibb and Ms Green were very proud of our singing at the Harvest Service on Wednesday.

**Year 3 Class:** Year 3 had a fantastic day at Bristol Museum on Tuesday! They took part in an Ancient Greece workshop and had to analyse different artefacts. We then had time to walk around the museum, we saw some amazing things! The Year 3's also enjoyed presenting all of their history art work to their parents on Wednesday afternoon.

**Year 4 Class:** started the week learning about the importance of Black History, discussing how history has changed over time and in pairs, the children chose influential people to research about, before presenting their findings to the rest of the class. On Wednesday, the whole school enjoyed our annual Harvest service at the church. Year 4 have loved learning and performing 'Autumn Days' and sang with enthusiasm and gusto - a promising sign for this year's play. On our return from church, the children loved sharing the bread rolls we made during our Buddy Bread Bake Off on Monday, with the rest of the school. A busy but exciting end to our first half term together.

**Rainbow Woods Pre-School:** This week we have been chopping up Harvest vegetables and making vegetable soup. We have also performed our Dingle, Dangle Scarecrow song at the Harvest Service and enjoyed some hot chocolate and biscuits after. We have been making scarecrow faces from natural materials including using straw, talking about how straw is grown and the many uses it has. We have also been completing our autumn assessments with the children too to see where they need support and to plan their next steps ready to discuss with you all at their parents evening to be planned for Week comm 6th November.

Each half term we focus on a Christian Value, this term it is Thankfulness

Term Dates 2023–2024 click [Here](#)

