



Weare Academy C of E First School

Friday 15th December 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 1 st Jan	Bank Holiday		Mon 8 th	Year Rec,1,2,3 & 4	Parents Evening
Tue 2 nd	Inset Day		Tues 9 th	Year Rec, 1,2,3 & 4 Year 2,3 & 4	Parents Evening Singing Club-after school, please book via Parent Pay
Wed 3 rd	Inset Day		Weds 10 th	Year 4	Swimming
Thurs 4 th	First Day of Term	Re-arranged missed football session.	Thurs 11 th	Year 3 & 4	Sports Club-Netball-after school, please book via Parent Pay
Fri 5 th			Fri 12 th		



Headteacher's Message

We have come to the end of a challenging, busy and exciting term with lots of valuable learning and enrichment opportunities for all our children.

A huge thank you to our Friends Of Weare and the whole school community for organising and supporting a very successful Christmas Fayre.

Thank you also to those of you who have raised £460 towards a much needed new sound system in the hall due to ticket sales over the three Christmas performances. Also another thankyou from the Royal British Legion as £139 was raised from the selling of poppies and merchandise.

We are looking at welcoming you all back at the start of the Spring term on 4th January.

So on behalf of all the staff at Weare, I wish all our Weare families a Merry Christmas. Wishing you all a festive weekend!

Best Wishes

Felicity Gibb
Acting Head Teacher

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.

Breakfast Club and After School Club

Please book via Parent Pay, unfortunately we are no longer able to cancel your child's space on the day if you decide your child does not wish to attend.

Wedmore by Lamplight-Wednesday 13th Dec

A big thankyou to all the parents and children who attended Wedmore by Lamplight. A lovely evening was had by all and everyone was impressed with the beautiful singing from the children.



Holiday Club

Come and enjoy Holiday Club fun at Wedmore First School on Tuesday 19th 8.30-5.30pm and Wednesday 20th December 8.30 – 3.30pm. Children age 4 years and over from all schools are welcome. For further information and booking please email wedmoreafterschoolclub@hotmail.com

Rotary Club of Mendip-Fun Run

Please see end of bulletin for more information

Christmas Church Services

Please see end of bulletin for more information.

After School Clubs

To compensate for the missed football club session on 30th November, a football session will be held on Thursday 4th January. After school club with restart on Tuesday 9th January-Singing, Years 2,3 and 4 and Netball on Thursday for Years 3 and 4. Booking is now open on Parent Pay.

Parents Evening

Please see our website for more information on how to book parents evening.

Year 3 Swimming

Just to confirm: swimming lessons are funded by the school and we only request payment for the coach transport to and from school. Kings Leisure 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 3 will start their swimming lessons on Wednesday 17th January and last session will be on Wednesday 27th March, **please access Parent Pay to make payment for the coach transport.**

Healthy Snacks

As part of a healthy eating school, please remember to only send healthy snacks into school. 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.

Pre Loved Uniform

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

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 15th January 2024.

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

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

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 this week we have enjoyed lots of Christmas activities including writing Christmas cards, counting snowflakes and making decorations and calendars. We busted out some dance moves at our Christmas party where pre-school also came and joined in the fun. We have been talking about kindness and using our class kindness advent calendar to give us ideas of how we can be kind at home and school.

Year 1 Class: This week year one have had a wind down for Christmas. We have finished our Christmas stories, made Christmas cards and Christmas decorations. On Wednesday the class were treated to a Christmas movie in their pyjamas with their favourite teddy – Mrs Malcolm wore her pyjamas too! Have a very merry Christmas everyone, from the year 1 team!

Year 2 Class: It's the most wonderful time of the year and Year 2 have certainly been enjoying their final week of term! They have written the most brilliant 'monster stories' and have each created a Christmas Book. Christmas hats, Christmas cards, etc have all been sprinkled with glitter. We are all well and truly ready for Christmas! Have a wonderful break and a happy, peaceful new year.

Year 3 Class have enjoyed the festivities this week. We had a fun Christmas Party on Monday, we did pin the nose on the reindeer and snowman, pin the beard on Santa, musical statues, a Christmas quiz and reindeer hoopla! This week we have also been writing the Christmas story from different perspectives, so far we have completed Mary, the Angel and the Shepherds. We have made some beautiful Christmas cards and decorations too which the children enjoyed making for home.

Year 4: Class have had a very busy but enjoyable final week. They have created some beautiful books, retelling the Christmas Story, which they have taken great care with. The children loved their 'fun swim' this week, which included a Christmas relay and lots of floats! There has been a plethora of glitter and Christmas crafts this week which the children have fully embraced and it's put us all in the festive spirit. Happy Christmas one and all. Have fun, stay safe and we look forward to seeing you in the New Year!

Rainbow Woods Pre-School: This week we have been making scented cookie dough, measuring out the ingredients and using the cookie cutters to decorate our dough. We have been on the rainbow woods Polar Express where the children had to buy tickets and decorate the train. We had our Christmas Party with Reception class where we danced and played lots of fun games. We also celebrated in the hall with all the school children for our Christmas lunch listening and singing songs. We have had our Christmas buffet on Thursday and finally sang at Church on Friday which was just beautiful to watch everyone celebrate and sing together. Look out for our planning and newsletter on class dojo and tapestry for Spring term 1. Have a lovely Christmas everyone and a very happy and healthy new year. We can't wait to welcome our new starters in the new year!

Rotary
Club of Mendip



Santa and Elf



Fun Run

to raise money for

Weston Hospicecare

at Winchester Farm

Draycott Rd, Cheddar BS27 3RP

on Sat 16th December from 10 am

Prices: Adult £10

Adult with up to 4 children £15

14-18 year old £6

Fancy Dress awards for under 14s

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provided for
over 13s

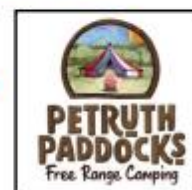
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Church Service Information

Dec 10th 6pm Carol Service Loxton Church

Dec 15th 9.30am Weare School Carol Service Weare Church

Dec 16th 6pm Carol Service Biddisham Church

Dec 17th 4pm Carol Service Badgworth Church

Dec 24th 4pm Crib Service Compton Bishop Church

All Age. 30 minutes to unwrap the Nativity story.

Dec 25th 10am All Age Christmas Celebration Weare Church

Celebrate the joy of Christ on earth.

Dec 31st 10am New Year's Eve Agape Compton Bishop Church An informal sharing of bread wine.

Jan 7th 10am Epiphany Praise and Worship Weare Church

All Age. Last chance to sing Carols!

For more information and other services go to A Church Near You or ring 01934 733281.

Each half term we focus on a Christian Value, this term it is Kindness and Compassion

Term Dates 2023– 2024 click [Here](#)

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