



Weare Academy C of E First School

Friday 19th January 2024
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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 22nd Jan			Mon 29th		
Tue 23rd	Year 2,3 & 4	Singing Club-after school, please book via Parent Pay	Tues 30th	Year 2,3 & 4	Singing Club-after school, please book via Parent Pay
Wed 24th	Year 3	Swimming	Weds 31st	Year 3	Swimming
Thurs 25th	Year 3 & 4	Netball Club-after school, please book via Parent Pay	Thurs 1 st Feb	Year 3 & 4	Netball Club-after school, please book via Parent Pay
Fri 26th		Break the Rules, please see end of bulletin for more information-organised by the PTA	Fri 2nd		



Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

At times our busy school life benefits from us stopping and looking around capturing precious moments in time.

The beauty of the winter countryside surrounds us and in spite of cold frosty mornings this week we have been showing the children little snatches of our surroundings – this morning the field was so frosted over it looked like snow and some children just loved looking at it.

Friday afternoons are a great example as they include PSHE activities and this term across the school the theme is: Dreams and Goals which is then followed by creative activities resulting in some excellent art work.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend!

Best Wishes

Felicity Gibb
Acting Head Teacher

Diary Dates for 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.

Extreme Weather

If the trust decides to close the school due to extreme weather, a message will be sent via DOJO.

Absent Line

Please phone 01934 732270 option 1 before 9.15 on the day to advise the reason why your child will not be attended school. You will need to call this number every day until your child has returned to school unless previously agreed by the Head Teacher. Thank you

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.

Main Gate/Farmers Gate

The main gate will close at 9am, if your child arrives after this time, please come to reception to sign them in. The main gate and farmers gate will be closed at 3.45pm to ensure the safety of the children in the after school club. Thank you for your understanding.

After School Clubs

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.

Year 3 Swimming

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'

School Uniform

Macpac are holding a January Sale, 10% saving on School Uniform and Bags. A code of "JSP24" will need to be entered at checkout. To receive the discount, you will need to enter the code but this will only be activated on Thursday 25th January and will not be available before this time.

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/>

Trombone Day

The British Trombone Society are holding a Trombone Day with RCM trombone professors Byron Fulcher and James Buckle on Sunday 21st January 2024 10.00am - 5.00pm in Cedars Hall. Evening performance 6.00 - 7.45pm by the RCM Trombone Ensemble and Trombone Day participants

For more information and to book your place: <https://wells.cathedral.school/tromboneday>
musicoutreach@wells.cathedral.school 01749 834487

Shrek the Musical at Strode Theatre

Crispin School presents: Shrek the Musical at Strode Theatre from 01 - 03 February. Please book online or contact the box office on 01458 442846

This week in...

Reception Class: we have continued with our talk for writing story called 'Let Me Come In', and we have used our sounds to label and write captions. In maths we have been looking at the number 6 and 7 and numbers that you can add together to make the number 6 and 7. In RE we have continued to learn about Judaism and our Christian value of the term is Respect. We have been looking at the polar regions and the animals that live there. We have been exploring ice and making our own ice cubes to add to our outdoor provision. We have also been talking about Winter and the seasonal changes at this time of year.

Year 1 Class: this week we have been thinking about using adjectives in our story writing to describe a setting. We went into forest school to generate some adjectives to improve how the setting is written about in 'The magic porridge pot'. It says "the girl ran into the woods and wept" and we thought this was boring!! The children came up with great adjectives to describe a woodland area e.g. dark, green, leafy, mossy. In Geography we have learned about the capital cities in the uk and located these on a map.

Year 2 Class: When we asked the children what they enjoyed the most this week they immediately said that they are loving creating an innovate story map for The Papaya that Spoke. The second most popular activity was completing their Wind up Mechanisms – they are fantastic and we will put photos on Class Dojo for you to see!

Year 3 Class: had a great first swimming lesson on Wednesday, they were extremely respectful, enthusiastic and had lots of fun! In maths we have been working hard on measuring mass, volume and capacity, this week we have done some estimating on how much we think different objects weigh and how much liquid is in different containers.

Year 4 Class: have worked hard in English this week, learning how to identify and use adverbials in their writing and the value of rhetorical questions to build suspense. Next week they will be innovating our model text, Zelda Claw, and I am sure they will have lots of good ideas to contribute. In History, the children were interested to find out about the Ancient Greek alphabet and how it is similar and different to our own. We found out that there is no equivalent for the letter 'h'. Some also practised writing their name using the different letters.

Rainbow Woods Pre-School: we have been talking about how animals keep warm in the winter. We have been comparing the artic to our local area and exploring different ways to melt ice.

We have also started our teddy bear picnic invites and been counting our cutlery and plates for the Teddy Bear's Picnic. We have also been comparing different sized bears-Which one is the smallest and which one is the biggest. We have also continued to practice putting on our own hats, scarves, coats and gloves. Please encourage your children to do this as it's important for their independence and development. Please see the clip <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BxLGHW9uR1k>

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

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Let's break

THE ~~RULES~~

NO CRAZY
HAIR

NO HOME
CLOTHES

NO HATS

NO
TEMPORARY
TATTOOS

NO NAIL
VARNISH

NO
TRAINERS /
HOME
SHOES

HEALTHY
SNACKS
ONLY

NO JUICE OR
SQUASH

NO EXTRA
5 MINUTES
AT BREAK

50p fine per rule broken!

PLEASE BE ALLERGY AWARE - NO NUTS OR KIWI

Friday 26th January