

Weare Academy C of E First School

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 5th Feb		Mental Health Awareness Week Gift Amnesty-see end of bulletin for more information	Mon 12th		HALF TERM
Tue 6th	Year 2,3 & 4	Singing Club-after school. PTA disco, see end of bulletin for more information	Tues 13th		
Wed 7th	Year 3	Swimming	Weds 14th		
Thurs 8th	Year 3 & 4	Netball Club-after school.	Thurs 15th		
Fri 9th			Fri 16th		



Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

Today has been a busy and interesting day, we all participated in the NSPCC Number Day which encourages us to embrace numbers and mathematics in a range of creative and enjoyable ways.

Our Year 1 to Year 4 classes have learnt some important basics with regard to First Aid. There was a lot of bandaging taking place followed by quite a challenge for adults to get them all rolled up and ready for the next class.

DISCO NIGHT: Thank you to our Friends of Weare for organising Disco Night on Tuesday 6th February and our enthusiastic teachers for supporting the event – a great time to get out the glitter and dancing shoes!

In closing, I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank Mrs Siobhan Johnson for all she has contributed to the music provision at Weare. Unfortunately, next week will be her final week at Weare and on behalf of all the staff and children we wish her all the best for the future!

We will update you with regard to private piano lessons and singing club as soon as possible.

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.

Trips

Details of trips, see DOJO for more information

Year 3 Monday 4th March Year R & 2 Friday 8th March

Year 4 Wednesday 20th March Year 1 Friday 22nd March Year 2 Tuesday 26th March Year 2 Tuesday 4th June

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

Next terms after school club will be Multi Sports and open to Reception, Year 1 and 2.

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/

Friends of Weare Gift Amnesty 1-9th February

If you happened to receive any gifts at Christmas or on a birthday that aren't quite to your taste (or you got two the same) we'd love any donations (*no food items*) that will go into our store for next year's Christmas Fayre present room!

Gifts can be dropped off in the school office from Mon 5th - Fri 9th February.

This week in...

Reception Class: In Reception we have been writing instructions based on the story of How To Catch a Star. In maths we have continued to look at staircase patterns and numbers found within 8. We have been learning lots about space, the moon and what it is like to be an astronaut. We even heard a story read by an astronaut from the International Space Station. We have had great fun making our own junk models of rockets and space crafts.

Year 1 Class: This week the children have been doing some geography work on our local area – specifically, Weare and our school. We discussed what makes Weare a village, in comparison to some local towns. The children used a satellite map to view our school and village, some children even saw their own houses on the map! The children then drew their own maps of Weare. Labelling our school, Nottinghill Way, Sparrow Hill Way and the church.

Year 2 Class: We have had an extremely busy week. Yesterday we planted our tulip bulbs as part of our Science investigations and will be watching to see how quickly they grow. Today we made Cress sandwiches and next week will be writing instructions using time words and adverbs! We can't wait till we get home and taste them!

Year 3 Class: Have started learning a new text in English this week called "Why Dragons are Extinct", this is an explanation text and will help us structure our own explanations. In Science this week we completed an experiment that allowed us to group different types of rock. We tested them to see how permeable they were, whether they had a high or low density and whether they were durable.

Year 4 Class: In English this week, Year 4 have written their own tales of fear - they have created their own characters and settings based on our model text, 'Zelda Claw'. They have really enjoyed this unit of writing and consequently produced some fantastic work. In Science, the children carried out investigations looking at which materials blocked the most sound. Interestingly, their predictions differed considerably which led to great scientific discussions. We will be finishing the week celebrating a wonderful collective achievement of 2000 class dojos, so the children have voted to spend Friday afternoon doing craft activities and coding using Scratch on the chrome books.

Rainbow Woods Pre-School: This week we had our teddy bear picnic. The children brought in their favourite Teddy to share with their friends. There were lots of different types of bears. They all sat around to have a picnic with their bears. They sat around and talked about their favourite bears.

Children made teddy bear cakes with playdough which they made themselves.

They had great fun playing with squishy water beads, counting them, bouncing them and rolling them around. We are encouraging the children to put on their own coats and hang them on their pegs.

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

Term Dates 2023- 2024 click Here

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Breakfast and After School Club out of school hours contact number

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TUESDAY 6TH FEBRUARY 2024

PRE-SCHOOL (PRE-SCHOOL AGE ONLY): 4.15PM-4.45PM

RECEPTION: 5PM-5.45PM

YR1 & 2: 6PM-6.45PM

YR3 & 4: 7PM-7.45PM

ADMISSION £5

(INCLUDES DRINKS)

HOW DO I BOOK MY CHILD A PLACE:

1.PLEASE ADD YOUR CHILD NAME & CLASS TO EITHER THE FOW FACEBOOK POST OR CLASSDOJO MESSAGE

[NAME: FRIENDS OF WEARE | SORT CODE: 30-91-20 | ACCOUNT NUMBER: 01337936

Please note: Booking your Child's place will be taken as official consent for your child to attend the Disco. You will be asked to sign your child out at the end of their D.L.S.C.O time slot!

FRIENDS OF WEARE

GIFT AMNESTY

Please donate your unwanted gifts to help fill the Christmas Fayre Present Room for our children next year!

DROP YOUR
GIFTS INTO THE
SCHOOL OFFICE

THANK YOU!

Roll up, Roll up! Your **EXCLUSIVE** member's offer is here.

HAPPY'S CHRCUS

Saturday 1st June and Sunday 2nd June 2024

The shows feature Acrobats, Aerialists, Illusions, Speciality Acts, Clowns, Audience Participation, loads of Fun and much, much more!

