



Weare Academy C of E First School

Friday 9th February 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 12th Feb		HALF TERM	Mon 19th		INSET DAY
Tue 13th			Tues 20th		
Wed 14th			Weds 21st	Year 3	Swimming
Thurs 15th			Thurs 22nd	Year R, 1 & 2	Multi Sports afterschool, please sign up via Parent Pay
Fri 16th			Fri 23rd		



Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

We have all benefitted from a daily dose of mindfulness awareness and activities which culminated with each year group having a mindfulness session with Lyndsay Andrews this morning. Everyone including our staff found it meaningful and uplifting. A huge thank you to Lyndsay for your time spent with our children this morning.

At our Celebration Service this afternoon I asked for comments from each year group about: How did your mindfulness session make you feel?'

After about 30 seconds almost every hand went up -

- Bumble Bee Class – Good, good to be green and relaxing
- Butterfly Class – happy and joyful
- Ladybird Class – happy, calm and excited
- Dragonfly Class – healthy and calmer
- Beetle Class – relaxing, calm, happy and full of relaxation all over my body!

On behalf of all the staff at Weare we wish you a lovely and restful half term break.

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 4 th March-No School Meals for Year 3 only
Year R & 2	Friday 8 th March-School Pack Lunch and Pack Lunch from home only for trip
Year 4	Wednesday 20 th March- School Pack Lunch and Pack Lunch from home only for trip
Year 1	Friday 22 nd March- School Pack Lunch and Pack Lunch from home only for trip
Year 2	Tuesday 26 th March- School Pack Lunch and Pack Lunch from home only for trip
Year 2	Tuesday 4 th June- School Pack Lunch and Pack Lunch from home only for trip

School Meals

Please book your child school meal for next term via Parent Pay.

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

Attendance

Ladybird Class achieved the best attendance this week and were also had the highest attendance for the term. Well Done!

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.

Parking

Polite reminder, please park correctly and do not park on the yellow lines or in the disabled parking space unless you have a blue badge. Thank you

After School Clubs

Next terms after school club will be Multi Sports and open to Reception, Year 1 and 2. Please book via Parent Pay. Places are limited.

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'

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: We have read the story of 'The Naughty Bus' and have been on our own virtual bus journey in our classroom. In maths we have been looking at the number 7 and how 7 can be made from 5 and 2. We have been talking about mindfulness and how we all have a voice as part of Children's mental health week. We have talked about internet safety and how we can be safe when using a tablet at home. In RE we have been learning about the Jewish symbol called The Star of David and we have made Star of David suncatchers which we have used to decorate our classroom windows. We have continued with gymnastics for PE and have been moving across a range of apparatus in different ways.

Year 1 Class: This week in year 1 we began the week by celebrating children's mental health week by making Vegan Banana Cupcakes. The children then enjoyed these for afternoon snack! We have also finished our science unit 'seasonal changes' by working scientifically over the week to observe the weather and gather/collect data about it. We have used a thermometer and a rain gauge to gather data about the weather over the week. Each day the children filled in a chart, summarising the temperature and the amount of rainfall over a 24 hour period.

Year 2 Class:

We have been learning about Judaism and today we made our own Torah Scrolls and their 'precious' covers made of felt and jewels. We are all looking forward to sewing them when we get back from our half term break. We have also been learning about how important each part of a plant is in our Science lessons. We have put food colouring in our daffodils water to prove that the stem of a plant is like a straw.

Year 3 Class: To celebrate Children's Mental Health Week, Year 3 have focused a lot on mindful breathing and mindfulness activities, thinking about what we are grateful for and we have read the story "Find your Happy" to empower us, this has been a fantastic opportunity for us to reflect on our feelings and how we can overcome our worries.

We have also started to make a beautiful display to end our London topic, each child had the job to paint a different part of London whether this be a famous landmark, a red bus, a taxi, the tube or the River Thames. We are excited to put all of the pictures together to make a class display.

Year 4 Class: To raise awareness of Children's Mental Health week, Year 4 have enjoyed doing some yoga, thinking about positive affirmations they can use about themselves and written compliments about their classmates. A wonderful opportunity to stop and reflect on what makes us all special and unique. Alongside this, the children have also worked extremely hard on their PiXL assessments, an opportunity to show off what they know and identify next steps in their learning.

Rainbow Woods Pre-School: This week in Preschool we have been looking at all of the different days we celebrate in our country and around the world like Valentine's Day, Shrove Tuesday and Chinese New Year. We have made Chinese lanterns to take home and have watched a video of how the Chinese New Year is celebrated and the traditions they do before the day.

We have also been making our own Valentines cards to take home for the special people in our lives. We have also been talking about Pancake Day and have had our own pancakes at snack time, talking about what we like on them. We have also had new starters begin their little journey - Welcome! Hope you all have a safe and restful half term and we will see you on Tuesday 20th February.

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

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

HAPPY'S CIRCUS

- ON SALE NOW -

**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!



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