



# Weare Academy C of E First School

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Issue no. 22

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 4 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Year 2 Year 3	Florence Nightingale Workshop Trip	Mon 11 <sup>th</sup>		Science Week
Tue 5 <sup>th</sup>			Tue 12 <sup>th</sup>		
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3	Swimming <b>WORLD BOOK DAY:</b> 5.30pm to 6pm Bedtime story and parent/carers workshop: Revised Behaviour Policy	Weds 13 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3	Swimming
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup>	Year R, 1 & 2	Multi Sports afterschool	Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup>	Year R, 1 & 2	Multi Sports afterschool
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>	Rec & Year 2	Trip	Fri 15 <sup>th</sup>		Red Nose Day



### Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

This week seems to have flown. The children were very pleased to meet our new head teacher yesterday and we are looking forward to her joining us after the Easter holidays.

Next week World Book Day is on 6<sup>th</sup> March. A letter has gone out about what we are doing to celebrate this, but I do remind you that there are bedtime stories being read to children in their classrooms from 5.30pm to 6pm. Parents/carers are invited to join me in the hall, for an update and information about our new Behaviour Policy.

A sincere thank you for all of your continued support in so many ways which makes our school a caring and nurturing environment for our children.

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

## Attendance

Please ensure that you read the letter that is being sent out with regard to Attendance at Weare.



**Attendance Celebrations:** Ladybird Class achieved the best attendance this week. Well Done!  
Please follow the link for more information on Attendance. [Please click here](#)

**Absence 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

## World Book Day-PTA Fundraiser

Please see end of bulletin for more information.

## Lunchtime Clubs

Lunchtime clubs have now started. If you wish your child to attend these FREE clubs, please return your permission slip as soon as possible. For more information, please check our website or DOJO or pop to the office to collect a letter.

## Parking

Polite reminder, please do not park in the disabled space unless you are a blue badge holder. Thankyou.

## 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)

## Safeguarding

### SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN IS A RESPONSIBILITY OF US ALL

Weare Academy C of E First school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

**Safeguarding Lead:** Dawn Tomkies

**Deputy Safeguarding Leads:** Mrs Felicity Gibb, Lana Whittaker and Baishali Chatterjee

For further information, please visit our school website: [SAFEGUARDING](#)

## Football Academy

Please see end of bulletin for more information.

## Wells Cathedral Lights

Please see end of bulletin for more information.

## **This week in...**

**Reception Class:** In Reception this week we have continued with the story of the Billy Goats Gruff and have sequenced the story. We have learnt about all the products you are able to make from goats milk. We have made a home for the troll and even made our own trolls using plastercine and various loose parts. We have made a bridge for the goats to cross using crates and wood. In our art area we have looked at different bridge designs and have then designed our own. In maths we have explored patterns, 3d shapes and sorting a variety of objects in different ways. We have continued with the story of Easter and talked about what our Christian value of forgiveness means.

**Year 1 Class:** This week in year 1 we have been assessing the children's reading and phonics and I am delighted to share that as a class we have seen massive amounts of progress since last half term, they are doing really well! In literacy we have been doing more work on Mr Gumpy's Outing. We have discussed that Mr Gumpy's name is a proper noun so it needs to start with a capital letter and the children completed a writing task based on this. We have also been discussing the vocabulary from the story and what unfamiliar words mean e.g. squabble, outing, trample.

**Year 2 Class:** We have written our second (innovate) diary write this week based on a part of the Little Red Riding Hood story. In Geography we have been looking at drought and what it means to people and animals in countries like Kenya. We have created a whole class list of how to save water. We will publish it on Class Dojo for you to see.

**Year 3 Class:** Have been busy making Stonehenge models this week and we were excited to paint them to see the final products! We have started looking at persuasive writing in English and have learnt our model text "Hawk Ridge Farm Park" which is a fantastic text featuring lots of persuasive language including rhetorical questions and boastful language.

**Year 4 Class:** Have done some amazing maths this week, including an investigation about odd and even numbers as well as exploring square numbers and some extremely enthusiastic practise of a 7-times table rock song! In English, we are now learning about instruction texts, using our model text, 'How to Keep a Teacher Happy'. Now we are starting to think about what makes pupils happy, for our innovate write next week. In art, the children are currently creating some beautiful rainforest paintings based on the work of Henri Rousseau.

**Rainbow Woods Pre-School:** This week we have been focusing our learning around the great outdoors. We have made numbers using things that we have found in our forest school and we have been exploring all the different textures they have and the sounds they make if we touch them. We have also been making playdough from scratch with the children measuring out the ingredients themselves and mixing the correct colours to make the very hungry caterpillar. We have also been singing our nursery rhymes using our rainbow tent which the children love!

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

**Term Dates 2023– 2024 [click Here](#)**

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# Celebrate World Book Day!

## Will you win a Golden Ticket?

Celebrate World Book Day with the Friends of Weare by gobbling up a Weare's Wonky Bar!

Will yours contain a prize-winning ticket?

- 5 Golden Tickets win a £10 cinema voucher, 2 books by Roald Dahl & a bookmark
- 15 Silver Tickets win a book by Roald Dahl & a bookmark
- 30 Bronze tickets win a bookmark!

**MONDAY 4 MARCH ~ AFTER SCHOOL**

**£2**

Allergen alternatives available - please contact Friends of Weare of the school office to notify us.

# GWMC FOOTBALL ACADEMY 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Exciting news! It's back. We are planning to run our Football Academy once again this summer. The Football Academy is centred around children of all abilities and ages having an enjoyable football experience whilst learning new skills. Our goal is that all children have a fantastic time, have fun, and make friends through playing football.

The academy begins on **Monday 29th July** and finishes on **Thursday 1st of August**, starting at **9am** and finishing at **4pm**. The academy is open to children from **Year 1 – Year 11**. It will be held at Hugh Sexey Middle School, Blackford, Wedmore, BS28 4ND. The timetable incorporates a mix of training, tactics, tournaments, competitions, and fitness. We aim to deliver high quality coaching whilst the children enjoy themselves participating in tournaments, games, and challenges.

The academy is staffed by teachers/qualified FA coaches who are First Aid trained and have experience of coaching children. The cost per child will be **£100** for the four days or **£30** for a day. We hope you agree this offers excellent value for money considering the level of coaching and activities provided. Each child will leave with a **Participation Medal and a Football**. Throughout the four days there are plenty of chances to win prizes, trophies, and various medals in all types of competitions such as Crossbar Challenge, 5 sec shootout and Penalty Shootout. On the final day there is a presentation ceremony where prizes and medals are given out.

If you would like to take this opportunity, then please fill out this [online booking form](#). For payments pay online via bank transfer. Transfer the correct amount to:

**GWMC FOOTBALL ACADEMY**

**Sort code 30-67-47**

**Account number 34871860**

**Ref: YOUR CHILDS NAME(S)**

Please remember - **availability is limited and places are filled on a first come, first served basis**. Once your child has confirmed their place you will shortly receive a receipt. In late June you will be sent a timetable and further information. In the meantime, if you have any questions or queries, please contact Mr. Waterfield/Mr Coggins via e-mail [gwmcfa@hotmail.com](mailto:gwmcfa@hotmail.com). We will aim to get back to you as soon as possible.

Yours

Sincerely

Mr. Waterfield & Mr. Coggins



# Wells Cathedral

Next week from Tuesday 27 February to Saturday 2 March, the 'Crown and Coronation' light show, an immersive spectacle of the Crown Jewels and Coronations, is coming to Wells Cathedral. This stunning show, created by Historic Royal Palaces and Luxmuralis, and premiered in November on the Tower of London, will bring more than 1000 years of history to life, right here in Somerset and is the first time a light show of this scale will be presented in the Cathedral.

We also include a link of the show when it was in Ely Cathedral which gives a snippet of the spectacle <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VJxuQmyvJMw>

