



Weare Academy C of E First School

Friday 15th March 2024

Issue no. 23

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 18 th	Year 4	Kilve Court Meeting 3.45	Mon 25 th		
Tue 19 th			Tues 26 th	Class 1 Class 2	Showcase 2.50pm Trip
Wed 20 th	Year 3 Year 4	Swimming Trip	Weds 27 th	Year 3 All classes	Swimming Easter Service at St Gregory's Church
Thurs 21 st	Year R, 1 & 2	Multi Sports afterschool-Last Session, this term	Thurs 28 th		End of Term
Fri 22 nd	Year 1	Trip CAKE SALE after school	Fri 29 th		



Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had an amazing week of science – the children have learnt so much and had such an exciting time. Thank you to all the staff for organising such a brilliant celebration of science and the parent volunteers for giving up their time and bringing science into the class rooms. In addition, the main aim of the week was to open the children's minds to all the exciting opportunities that potentially await them and to help them believe that these opportunities are available to all.

Red Nose Day has been another opportunity, to teach our children about caring for those less fortunate and when talking about it in service today they showed a real understanding that as well as all the fun we have had, the purpose of Red Nose day is to help others. Thank you to the School Council and the children in Year 3 and Year 4 for a fantastic day!

A heartfelt thank you to all of our parent community for all your support, in helping us to ensure that our children truly have such enriching learning experiences

Have 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.

Kilve Court Residential Centre

Mrs Hael will be holding an information session for Year 4 parents/carers on Monday 18th March at 3.45 pm, children are welcome to attend, where you will be shown a presentation about Kilve Court Residential Centre and you will have the opportunity to ask any questions you may have.

Easter Service at St Gregory's Church

Our Easter Service will take place at St Gregory's Church on Wednesday 27th March at 10am, the children will be leaving school at approximately 9.30am to walk to the church, please make sure your child has their high-vis jacket.

Everyone is welcome to attend this service, if you would like to walk to the church with your child, please let your teacher know via Class Dojo.

We will meet in the playground at about 9.20am and leave to walk down to the church at 9.30. We would appreciate it, if you could let the children go into the church first. The service will last approximately an hour.

Trips

Details of trips, see DOJO for more information

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

Attendance



Attendance Celebrations: Butterfly 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 am 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

Red Nose Day

Please access Parent Pay to make a contribution if you wish or click the link-
<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=14766>

Parking

Parking at the START and END of the school day:

PLEASE could you NOT park or drive into the lane opposite the farmer's gate at the top of the playground. The parking is reserved for staff but more importantly, there are 2 disabled parking spaces which are reserved for specific pupils - we would really appreciate your co-operation.

If you are driving or pulling out of a parking space on the road, could you please be mindful of children and their parents walking to and from school.

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

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](#)

This week in...

Reception Class: we have had a super week celebrating all things science with a focus on time. We have also enjoyed visitors to our classroom to talk about their scientific jobs. We have talked about how things change over time, explored sand-timers and have made and tested our own sundials. We have also joined in with live science lessons streamed from the observatory in London.

Year 1 Class: for science week we have been studying plants! We have dissected plants to identify their basic structures and done bark rubbings to represent the basic structure of trees. We have planted bean plants in jars to observe the changes over time and to record roots and shoots. Alongside this we have been doing an art project based around Vincent Van Gough's famous artwork 'sunflowers'. The children have sketched their own sunflowers, experimented with mixing different shades of yellow and have recreated this to create their own piece of artwork using different flowers.

Year 2 Class: Science week has been great and one of our highlights was a volcano which was brought in by one of our children. We have put together an earth wormery, the purpose being that we can watch mini beasts in their environments but also understand the important role earthworms have in aerating the soil so plants will grow! We have timed each other using stop watches and also created analogue clocks as we start our unit in time which links so well with the 5 times table! Each of our volunteer visitors have inspired us in different ways and we have written a Science diary recalling each activity during this week!

Year 3 Class: have had such a brilliant science week! We started the week by making lanyards to wear for the week with one of the STEM attributes that we felt applied to us (e.g. creative, organised, open-minded). We then tested the time for jelly to set with and without certain fruits, we found out that pineapple in jelly stops it from properly setting. We have also tested our reaction times, looked at time on different planets, completed the skittle experiment, made lava lamps and made some small chemical reactions using lemon juice and bicarbonate of soda. We have really embraced science week and has been thoroughly enjoyed by everyone!

Year 4 Class: What a busy and exciting week it has been! Year 4 have fully embraced science week, with a focus this year on 'time' and intertwined with this term's topic 'States of Matter'. Some of the highlights have been making lava lamps, creating rainforests in a jar; our workshop with Secret World and finishing the week by making rice krispy cakes - making predictions and observations about the melting points of chocolate and of course then eating them. It has been brilliant welcoming visitors into our classroom to inspire and share the variety of science careers on offer - a huge thank you to all of them! We finished the week with Red Nose Day and an afternoon of sporting fun, led by the year 4s and our House Captains - an opportunity to stop and reflect on how lucky we all are. A week to remember...

Rainbow Woods Pre-School: This week we had a wonderful parent of ours who is a CSI Officer visit the pre-school to talk to us about the science involved in her job. The CSI Officer took the children's' finger prints and brought in protective clothing for the children to try on which was really interesting! We have been carrying out our own science experiments using shaving foam and food colouring to show how precipitation of rain occurs. We also made a volcano using baking soda and vinegar. Children from year 4 visited the preschool and showed us different scientific and natural objects.

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

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