



Weare Academy C of E First School

Friday 29th March 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 15 th April		First Day of Term	Mon 22 nd		
Tue 16 th			Tues 23 rd		
Wed 17 th			Weds 24 th		
Thurs 18 th	Year 1 & 2 and Reception	Multi Sports-Please sign up via Parent Pay	Thurs 25 th	Year 1& 2 and Reception	Multi Sports-Please sign up via Parent Pay
	Reception	Height & Weight Testing			
Fri 19 th			Fri 26 th		



Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of the Spring Term of teaching and learning it has definitely included some fantastic enrichment opportunities.

This week, we have had a Holi Colours Festival, Easter Service at Church, Easter Bonnet Parade as well as an unexpected surprise visit from some baby lambs.

A huge thank you to Mrs Hugh who has once again stepped in and taught Ladybird Class alongside Miss Green – you have both done a fantastic job and we salute you!

On a personal note, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all – parents, staff and governors - most sincerely for supporting me in so many ways over the last, almost, 6 months in my role as Acting Head Teacher. It has been both a privilege and a joy to lead the school during this time.

I will be back in my role as Deputy Head and Year 2 teacher after Easter and looking forward to spending time back in the classroom again.

Finally, as we look forward to the Summer term and welcome Chelsey Dover, our new head teacher, please make sure you have read her letter which has been sent out to you all.

Wishing you all a fun filled Happy Easter 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.

Parents' Evenings:

Please note an amendment: Parents Evenings for Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 have been moved on a week to 30th April and 1st May.

Trips

Details of trips, see DOJO for more information

Reception Wednesday 15th May- - School Pack Lunch and Pack Lunch from home only for trip.

Year 2 Tuesday 4th June- School Pack Lunch and Pack Lunch from home only for trip.

Red Nose Day

Thank you to everyone who donated, in total Weare First School and Rainbow Woods raised £160.00

Attendance



Attendance Celebrations: Butterfly Class and Bumble Bee both 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

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 Lisa Woollon

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

This week in...

Reception Class: In Reception this week we have continued to look at the lifecycle of a plant and writing labels. In maths we have continued with measuring. We have enjoyed some cooking and have made Easter nests. We have had some lovely new resources arrive at school which have kindly been donated by parents, grandparents and a local business. The children's faces light up when we have had a special delivery and have enjoyed using our new resources this week. We have been busy practising our performance for the Easter service this week and have made our own Easter bonnets. We have been talking about the Easter story and how Christians celebrate Easter.

Year 1 Class: This week has been super busy in year 1. We have finished writing our own journey stories, remembering to include lots of wonderful adjectives to describe the setting. We have also created beautiful Easter bonnets and cards and they all looked fantastic! The children performed their part of the Easter service in the church so well and all spoke so clearly! Well done children. See you next half term.

Year 2 Class: The Ladybird class visit to the Bristol Aquarium was amazing. The photos on Class Dojo are just a glimpse of a super day. Our children did themselves proud as staff members commented on how well behaved Weare School was. Mrs Hugh and Miss Green reported that the children asked really thoughtful questions and at times challenged the leader of the guided tour! Our Easter bonnets were absolutely beautifully made and our children proudly wore them in front of the whole school for the Easter Bonnet parade. We have had another great week and on behalf of the Ladybird Class team wish you all a lovely, fun and restful Easter Break.

Year 3 Class: Have had a busy, arty week, we ended our stone age topic by completing some stone age cave paintings. We layered up our pictures by using wax crayons to draw animals and then painted handprints over the top using a template. We have also been busy with our Easter crafts, we have made Easter bonnets and Easter baskets and have enjoyed practising our poem for the Easter Service.

Year 4 Class: Have had a very busy and exciting final week of term, making an abundance of Easter goodies. Their bonnets looked fantastic and we loved parading around in them with the rest of the school. I was so proud of all of the children in the Easter service. They wrote some beautiful and very powerful acrostic poems about the crucifixion, which we collectively created a class poem from. Some of the children read the poem during the service, and others presented their stain glass crosses having chosen different colours to symbolise different parts of the Easter story. Wishing everyone a peaceful and happy Easter holiday and I look forward to welcoming them all back for our final summer term together.

Rainbow Woods Pre-School: This week we have had the best fun celebrating Holi running around with the school children and being part of the whole school service too. We managed to speak to some of the Year 3 children in the playground who were talking to our children about when they start year 4 and become buddies-Very sweet little conversations were had. On Wednesday we also walked with the school up to St Gregory's for the Easter Service where our children sang and signed out their favourite song. We also had a visit from Nikki's lambs and Nikki talked about how she is looking after them, what they drink and eat to help them to grow. The children loved stroking them and having a turn at feeding them a bottle of milk. They have also completed their decorated cards and bags and we popped in a little treat for them all to enjoy from the Easter bunny! Have a wonderful break and we will see you all in two weeks including our new children starting their new beginnings! We look forward to seeing you all on our return and welcoming our new starters to our Rainbow Woods family.

Easter Activities

King John's Hunting Lodge (Axbridge museum) officially opens on Easter Saturday at 10am. We have a new children's area, with costumes for dressing up (including workhouse costumes) and a number of activities for children. Easter eggs and stickers will be given to participating children.

Entry to the museum is free and we welcome families, particularly over the Easter holidays. Donations are, of course, welcome.

Job vacancy

Cleaner needed

Weston Support Services are looking for a cleaner for 2.5 hours per evening from 4.00-6:30pm at Weare Academy. Term time only – If you are interested, please contact Kevin 07534 665930 or Kevin@wss.direc

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

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Breakfast and After School Club out of school hours contact number
07939 343916

Parent carer Drop-In Session Cheddar



**Hannah More Cottage, 10am -12-pm
No need to book.**

Come and meet Michelle our SEND Navigator who is here to help families of children with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities in Somerset to:

- Access good quality information.
- Signpost to people who can help.
- Support parents to prepare for meetings and appointments.
- Help parent carers understand what help is available.
- Help parent carers by supporting with completion of forms such as DLA, PIP and applications for funding from grants.
- Help parent carers build confidence in understanding and supporting their child's needs.

2024 Dates

- Tuesday 16th April
- Tuesday 21st May
- Tuesday 18th June
- Tuesday 16th July
- Tuesday 17th Sept
- Tuesday 15th Oct

