



Weare Academy CofE First School

Weekly Bulletin – Keeping you informed!

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Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to welcome you all back to school after the Easter break and I would like to thank our children, parents and staff for the warm welcome I have received here at Weare Academy.

I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know the children and I was pleased to have spent time in every classroom and be out with them all at playtime. It has also been great to meet so many of you at collection/drop off – if you haven't already, please do come and say hello!

Kind regards,

Mrs C. Dover



Upcoming Events:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Detail, Timing and Venue</i>
<i>Mon 22nd</i>	Rainbow Woods	Parents' Evening
<i>Tue 23rd</i>		
<i>Wed 24th</i>	Rainbow Woods	Parents' Evening
<i>Thurs 25th</i>	Rec/Yr 1 & 2	Multi sports
<i>Fri 26th</i>	Rainbow Woods	Parents' Evening
<i>Mon 29th</i>		
<i>Tue 30th</i>	Rec/Yr 1,2,3 & 4	Parents' Evening
<i>Wed 1st</i>	Rec/Yr 1,2,3 & 4	Parents' Evening
<i>Thurs 2nd</i>	Rec/Yr 1 & 2	Multi Sports
<i>Fri 3rd</i>		

Useful Information

Key Dates

2023-2024

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.

Absent Line

Please phone 01934 732270 (option 1) before 9.15 on the day to advise the reason why your child will not be attending school.

You will need to call this number every day until your child has returned to school unless previously agreed by the Headteacher.



Healthy Snack

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'



Parents' Evening

There will be a Parents' evening on Tuesday 30th April and Wednesday 1st May 2024. Appointments can be made from 6pm on Friday 19th April and will close at 11.30pm on Sunday 28th April 2024. Please visit: <http://weareschoolcloud.co.uk/> to book your appointment.

Rainbow Woods, Parents' Evening.
Please book direct with staff.

Breakfast Club & After School Club

Please book via Parent Pay. Unfortunately, we are no longer able to cancel your child's space on the day if they do not wish to attend.



Farmers Gate Entrance

REMINDER: The gate will be closed promptly at 3.45pm each day.

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



After School Clubs

Multi Sports Club on Thursday 3.30-4.30.

(Reception, Year 1 and 2 only)
Unfortunately all spaces have been filled, but please watch this space for next term's club.



Attendance

Bumble Bee Class achieved the best attendance this week. Well Done!

Please follow the [link](#) for more information on Attendance.

Extreme Weather

If the trust decides to close the school due to extreme weather, a message will be sent via DOJO.



Safeguarding

Please visit the SSCP safeguarding website link for regular updates on safeguarding:

<https://somensetsafeguardingchildren.org.uk/>

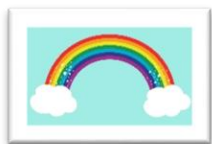


Christian Values

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

This week in...

Rainbow Woods Preschool



We have returned this week with a spring in our step! What a fun week we have had welcoming our children back to start a new term. We have been talking about zoo and farm animals, the sounds they make, the food they eat and where they live. We have made playdough houses for our zoo and farm animals and explored the different materials in forest school that we would need to make a home for our farm animals like mud, straw and wood. We have painted some beautiful pictures of our wild flowers and explored the new plants and insects we have in our forest school.

Reception



In Reception this week we have been learning our new talk for writing story called 'The Sheep and the Goat', we have been excited to start our new topic called The Animal Kingdom. We have looked at the patterns found on animal fur and skin and have used printing to make our own animal prints. In Forest School and music we have learnt a song all about a snail and made our own snail trails. In maths we have continued with subitising with the number 6 and using objects to represent our thinking. In RE we have talked about stories that give us a special message and have talked about the story of the wise man who built his house upon the rock and the foolish man who built his house upon the sand. We have linked the story to our Christian value of responsibility.

Year 1



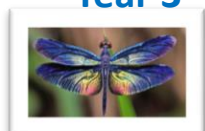
This week in year 1 we have enjoyed getting to know our new head teacher, Mrs Dover. On Thursday she came to read us a story. We have also enjoyed beginning to learn about our new topic, Castles! On Friday we all created our own coat of arms for our display.

Year 2



We have had a great start to the term measuring using capacity which also involves earning to read a scale with different increments - counting in 100's, 50's. We have worked with our talking partners to see how many cups or milk cartons or plastic bottles are needed to fill a 1 litre container. Our home challenge is to measure how much water it takes to fill our drinks bottles. We have also completed our Joseph Coat symmetrical designs which are absolutely beautiful and we have discussed what means to have 'creative licence'!

Year 3



We have had a busy and productive week back in Year 3. In math's we have revised our column addition method that we learnt last half term and have been using it to solve problems, we are now coming to the end of it and will be starting to focus on our four times table next week. In English we have started to learn a new model text called "The Cobbler of Krakow and Smok the Dragon", this is a defeating the monster tale and we have created some beautiful story boards of it. We have also started our new history topic this week all about how our homes have changed over time, we have so far looked at how food, kitchen utensils and washing utensils have developed since the Victorians.

Year 4



Year 4 thoroughly enjoyed our first science lesson about electricity, asking thought provoking and insightful questions, before categorising items into non- electrical, battery operated and mains electric. We have also started our new writing topic, learning to write a portal story using 'Elf Road' as our model text. The children had some excellent ideas for their Cold Write and lots are getting extremely close to their much anti pen licenses... very exciting! Finally, a super proud moment - our wonderful Year 4s won the TT Rockstar tournament against all of the other classes across the Trust, including several year 7 teams - an absolutely amazing achievement, well done all!

Key dates this term:

Summer Term

Trips

Wednesday 15th May - Reception

Tuesday 4th June - Year 2