

Weare Academy CofE First School

Weekly Bulletin – Keeping you informed!

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Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had another busy week at Weare Academy and it has been great to see all of the creative learning opportunities going on around the school. I particularly enjoyed the art lessons in Reception this week, where the children did some observational drawings of animals – one of which now sits in pride of place on my office wall!

I always love to see the work the children produce both inside and outside of school. If your child has any extra-curricular work they are proud of, I welcome them to bring it in to school to show me and celebrate their effort.

I wish you all a restful weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs C. Dover

Upcoming Events:

Date	Class	Detail, Timing and Venue
Mon 29th		
Tue 30th	Rec/Year 1,2,3 & 4	Parents' Evening
Wed 1st	Rec/Year 1,2,3 & 4	Parents' Evening
Thurs 2nd	Rec/Year 1 & 2	Multi sports
Fri 3rd		
Mon 6th		
Tue 7th		
Wed 8th		
Thurs 9th	Rec/Year 1 & 2	Multi Sports
Fri 10th		



Useful Information

Key Dates

2023-2024

All diary dates show on our website calendar, which you are now able to subscribe to, just



scribe to, just click the subscribe button on <u>our</u> <u>website</u> <u>calendar</u> and follow the

instructions.

Pre-Loved Uniform

There is a PTA Facebook page where you can order Pre-Loved Uniform, please search for 'Weare Academy Pre-Loved Uniform'



Farmers Gate Entrance

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

Attendance

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



Please follow the <u>link</u> for more information on Attendance.

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.



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://weareschoolcloud.co.uk/ to book your appointment. **Rainbow Woods, Parents' Evening.** Please book direct with staff.

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.



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.



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



Pick up/Drop off

Please could parents and carers not walk through classrooms **at any time.** Please visit the office who will be happy to assist. This includes entering any building to use the toilets without permission. Thankyou.

After School Clubs

Multi Sports Club on Thursday 3.30-4.30.

(Reception, Year 1 and 2 only) Unfortunatly all spaces have been filled, but please

watch this space for next term's club.



Safeguarding

Please visit the SSCP safeguarding website link for regular updates on safeguarding: <u>https://somersetsafeguardingchildren</u> <u>.org.uk/</u>



Christian Values

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

This week in...

Rainbow Woods Preschool



This week we are carrying on our topic of The Animal Kingdom, and we are now looking at farm animals. We are looking at their habitats, what they like to eat, and how we look after them. We are replicating their environment through play, using straw, hay etc. We have also been working on our maths language with the children, using phrases of "half/quarter full/empty" etc

We have been using our forest school area and exploring and observing the changes in the plants and bugs. We are carrying on our twice weekly sessions of yoga and relaxation, and we have been encouraging independence in the children for their self-care.

Reception



In Reception we have continued with The Sheep and the Goat story. We have talked about how we can make friends and never ever break friends. We have carefully drawn observational drawings of zoo animals. In maths we have investigated two numbers that can be added together to make 5. We have been doing some super letter formation this week and have continued with our caption writing.

Year 1



This week year 1 have been busy studying their model instruction text in English by following it to make Marvellous Medieval Crowns of their own. The children followed each step to produce perfect, golden crowns - Mrs Malcolm even bought them some real gemstones to decorate them with! We discussed the concept of 'less is more' and came up with some ideas of how we could organise the gemstones neatly so they looked more artistic and real. In History, the children have studied the very first types of castles that were built in medieval times, these were called motte and bailey castles. They have learnt what each part of a motte and bailey castle was/what it was used for. A massive thank you to Mrs Horton for spending her own time creating a beautiful castle for our display board, the children LOVE it!

Year 2



We continue to find opportunities to promote reading in different ways. Ladybird children were very excited when their teddies and soft toys visited us this week so they could listen to our fantastic readers during our Guided Reading sessions. They spent the rest of two days in the Book Corner looking at our exciting book collection.

Year 3



Year 3 have had an exciting visitor this week who brought in an incubator with 14 eggs in. The eggs will stay in the incubator for 21 days before hatching. Next Friday, they will be 'torched' which means we will be able to see whether the eggs are fertile by shining a torch through the eggs.

We have also been working hard on our defeating the monster stories this week and have started to use our model text to innovate our own stories.

Year 4



Year 4 have enjoyed our new maths topic of coordinates, starting with battleships! In English, the children have immersed themselves in our portal text, Elf Road, and are now ready to innovate the text with our own ideas. They also did really well during our rounders PE lesson and we will continue to learn new rules and develop our batting and fielding skills over the next few weeks.

Key dates this term:

Summer Term

<u>Trips</u>

- Wednesday 15th May Reception
- Tuesday 4th June Year 2
- Tuesday 21st May Year 1 (Children will have their photos taken before the trip)

PLEASE ACCESS PARENT PAY FOR MORE DETAILS REGARDING PAYMENT. THANKYOU