

Weare Academy CofE First School

Weekly Bulletin - Keeping you informed!

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Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have come to the end of a very busy, productive school term. We have had school trips, a residential in Year 4, a visit from a goat in Reception, a medieval banquet in Year 1, chicks hatching in Year 3, an art exhibition in Year 2, and lots more!

As part of our plans to enhance our parent/school partnership, we will be organising some new parent events which we would like to start next term. We will be introducing our 'Curriculum Showcase'



event where all parents/carers will be invited into school to see highlights from the children's learning across the term. In addition to this, each class will also be hosting a 'Curriculum Workshop' where parents/carers are invited into the classroom to take part in a workshop led by the children, based on an element of their learning that term. More information, including dates and times, will be shared by class teachers next term.

On behalf of all the staff at Weare Academy, we wish you all a lovely, restful half term break.

Kind regards,

Mrs C. Dover



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.

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Class Photo's/ Year 4 Leavers Photo's

The new date is
WEDNESDAY 12th JUNE
Please ensure your child arrives at school in their school

uniform even if they have PE on this day. Thankyou



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.

Parent Pay

Attendance

Beetle Class achieved the best attendance this week.

Overall **Ladybird Class** achieved the best attendance for this term.

Well done!

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

Hot Weather

Whilst our uniform remains the same, for the Summer, your child can wear a white polo shirt instead of a white shirt if they wish.

Also, please apply sun lotion before school and supply a sun hat.



Online Safety

Roblox is a popular gaming platform where players can create and publish their own games. The NSPCC has published some helpful tips for

parents to help keep their child safe on the platform. Please use the <u>link</u> or QR to visit the site.



Safeguarding Team

Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL): Chelsey Dover

Deputy Designated Leads (DDSL): Felicity Gibb, Lana Whittaker, Lisa Woollon

Safeguarding Governor: Martin Horton

WLT Safeguarding and Educational Welfare Lead: Dawn Tomkies

As parents, you can contact support agencies directly on:

NSPCC: 0808 800 5000 **Somerset Direct**: 0300 123 2224 **NSPCC**: Keeping children safe online Please visit the SSCP safeguarding website link for regular updates on safeguarding:

https://somersetsafeguardingchildren.org.uk/



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 have been painting flowers and planting seeds. We have been talking about how we look after our wildlife and our plants which has led us to start talking about next terms topic 'our body'. We have been talking about how we stay healthy, the importance of moving our bodies. Next term will also be about recycling and re-using so if you have some spare plastic bottles or bags and cereal boxes we will be making some wonderful sea creatures from the recycled materials. We have also been counting with Jenga our new game from the PTA, Thank you.

Reception



This week in Reception we have written captions about our school trip last week. In maths we have looked at capacity, weight and measuring. We have planted the seeds that we have been growing in our Reception classroom in our class vegetable patch. In art we have made animal collages using tissue paper and have continued learning about the Christian value of responsibility.

Year 1



Year 1 have had an extremely exciting week to end this half term! The children had a fantastic visit to Farleigh Hungerford Castle on Tuesday, where they listened to a brilliant tour guide who taught them about the history of the castle. On Friday the children came into school dressed as someone who would have lived in a medieval castle! They followed their innovated instructions to make their own medieval style honey cakes ready for a royal banquet in the afternoon.

Year 2



The highlight of our week so far has been our Art Exhibition where parents were invited to see our fantastic water colour collages based on the artist J Turner.

The children encouraged parents and carers to learn new skills with regard to watercolour painting and drawing of sailing ships.

Children also served biscuits, squash and water to those needing refreshment. We are so proud of how they took responsibility and were perfect hosts to our visitors. Well done Year 2!

Year 3



We have enjoyed having the last few days with our chicks this week, they have grown a lot and it has been fascinating watching them change every day. In our English lessons we have been innovating an information text about our own chosen creatures, there have been a range of dragons, mythical creatures and animals that children have made up the characteristics for, these creatures have made innovating our information texts really fun!

Year 4



Year 4 have been practising their timetables daily to prepare for their National Multiplication Check after half term. Please continue to practise at home as it really does make a difference. In English this week, we have been writing some excellent diary entries about our Kilve residential. Alongside this, the children have been creating some beautiful scrap books to hold their memories of Kilve, which will make a wonderful keepsake.

Upcoming Events:

Date	Class	Detail, Timing and Venue
Mon 27 th		Half Term
Tue 28 th		Half Term
Wed 29 th		Half Term
Thurs 30 th		Half Term
Fri 31 st		Half Term
Mon 3 rd		First Day of Term
Tue 4 th		
Wed 5 th		
Thurs 6 th		
Fri 7 th		

Key dates this term:

Summer Term

- Tuesday 4th June Year 2 Trip
- School Photos Wednesday 12th June





What's on this summer?

Family Pond Dipping

This is a fun activity aimed at exploring our pond habitat and the different creatures which live there!

This event is aimed at families with children aged between 5-12 years. Each time-slot booking is for 1 child and up to 1 adult to pond dip for 45 minutes. An adult can supervise a maximum of 2 children.

Date 02 June 2024 11am - 2pm Cost £5 - £6 included booking fee

Tweet-acular Tunes: Marsh Musicians Dawn Chorus Nature Trail

Join us on an adventure as we see how many different birds make up the Dawn Chorus Ham Wall band! Trails are available from 10am - 3pm

Date 27 April - 12 June 2024

Cost £3.50 per trail

Wildlife Explorer Backpacks

Unleash your inner explorer! Grab one of our wildlife explorer backpacks and dive into the enchanting world of nature! Each backpack has a pair of children's binoculars, magnifying glass, bug pot, ID guides and seasonal activity sheets to turn your outing into an unforgettable adventure.

Date Daily 10am - 2pm Cost £3.50 per backpack

Facilities and location

Car Park and Toilets: 5am-8pm

Info Point: 10am-4pm

Catering Kiosk: 10am-4pm, guaranteed opening on weekends. Open on weekdays when a volunteer is available. Selling hot and cold drinks, pre-packaged snacks and ice creams.

Address: RSPB Ham Wall, Meare near Glastonbury, BA6 9SX

Contact

ham.wall@rspb.org.uk 01458 860494

Find out more

www.events.rspb.org.uk/hamwall

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