



# Weare Academy CofE First School

Weekly Bulletin – Keeping you informed!

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## Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you are joining us for your parent Class information evenings next week. There are a host of ways you can get involved to help your children and the school. These include: regular volunteering, volunteering at one off events, helping at the fairs, being on the parent committee, maintenance skills (painting or putting up sheds etc) – Please let the office staff know if you would like to sign up to help in any way that you feel you are able- all help is much appreciated!



This term we have launched our 'Weare Academy Citizens' Personal Development Curriculum. We have carefully decided upon six key qualities, intrinsically linked with our Christian Values, which we will endeavour to instil in pupils at Weare Academy CofE First School and will sit at the heart of everything we do. They are qualities we believe will support pupils in developing as healthy and safe individuals who are equipped to thrive in their relationships and careers. Our Personal Development curriculum supports pupils to develop these qualities through a broad and balanced curriculum, daily services, trips, visitors and opportunities beyond school. This term, our focus is on being Aspirational.



Best wishes,

Mrs C. Dover





# As Weare Academy Citizens, we are...



## Aspirational

We believe that there are no limits to what we can achieve.

We work hard to reach our goals. We believe in ourselves and one another and are **thankful** for the opportunities we have.

## Resilient

We keep trying, even if things are difficult.

We know that facing a challenge doesn't mean we give up. We **forgive** our mistakes and those of others.

## Confident

We believe in ourselves and one another.

We believe that what we have to say is important and should be heard.



## Respectful

We value and **respect** our school and wider community.

We don't just tolerate differences, we celebrate them.

## Responsible

We are **responsible** for taking care of ourselves, each other and the world around us. We know and value the importance of being physically active for our physical and mental health.

## Kind

We treat each other with **kindness** and **compassion**.

We value and can stand up for what is right. We can speak out against what is wrong.



### Garden Café

- [Redacted]
- [Redacted]
- [Redacted]
- [Redacted]
- Plastic jugs
- [Redacted]
- [Redacted]
- Plastic plates and bowls
- Metal/plastic mixing bowls
- Metal or plastic trays
- Plastic shakers
- Pebbles or pea grit
- Natural materials such as: branch slices, pine cones, bark, shells
- Fresh herbs
- Chalk board easel or sign
- [Redacted]

### Construction Zone

- [Redacted]
- Tractor tyres
- Gravel - large ton bag
- Trowels
- Metal buckets
- Large toy diggers
- Plastic hard hats
- Hi Vis jackets
- Planks
- Logs
- Pebbles & large stones
- Cable drums
- Guttering
- Small traffic cones
- Grey pavers



### Creative Zone

- Rolls of wallpaper
- Fabric offcuts
- Decorators paint brushes
- Ribbons
- Chalk
- Plastic pots or buckets

### General

- Tarpaulins
- Large sheets
- Heavy duty clips or pegs
- MAKITA outdoor speaker
- Duplo
- Topsoil
- Plastic tubs
- Wooden crates



**At Weare Academy, we are looking to develop our provision at playtimes. We would like to encourage different types of play through zoning our outdoor space and increasing the resources we have on offer. If you are able to donate any of the items listed (used and unwanted items welcome!) please inform the office or your child's class teacher.**

### Small World Zone

- Small figures
- Plastic animals
- Wooden or plastic dolls house furniture
- Toy cars



We are still looking for donations for the playground – anything you can provide would be appreciated!

### Role Play Zone

- [Redacted]
- Large cardboard boxes
- Briefcases
- Leather handbags
- Steering wheels
- Hats (costume)
- Masks
- Adult clothing such as dresses, jackets, uniform
- Dolls prams
- Child's bike wheels
- Unwired microphones



# Useful Information

## Key Dates

2024-2025

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.

Please note the last day of term is **THURSDAY 24<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER**

## 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.

Please **do not** send a DOJO message or Email. Thankyou. 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.

This means no nuts are to be brought into school for snacks or in packed lunches.



## After School Clubs

Please see end of bulletin for more information.

Places are still available for the Music Introduction and Spanish bookable via Parent Pay.

Also spaces still available in Forest School, please book direct.

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

Please remember to book your child's meal via Parent Pay before the **start of term**.

If your child is in Reception, Year 1 and 2, there is no charge for meals.

Please book **Breakfast Club and After School club asap as places are limited**.

Unfortunately, we are no longer able to cancel any bookings on the day.

## Attendance

Well done to Year 1 who achieved the highest attendance this week.



## Staff Vacancy

Lunchtime Supervisor

Please visit Wessex Learning Trust vacancies, for more information.

## Swimming

**Year 3 will start swimming on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September for 10 weeks.**

Year 4 will start on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January for 10 weeks.

Please access Parent Pay for more information

## Online Safety

**YouTube Kids** is often used by parents as child-friendly alternative. While the platform uses a range of different filters to stop adult content from playing, these aren't always 100% effective. The NSPCC has published some helpful tips for parents to help keep their child safe on the site. Please use this [link](#) to visit the site.



# Safeguarding Team

Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL): Chelsey Dover  
 Deputy Designated Leads (DDSL): 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://somensetsafeguardingchildren.org.uk/>



## AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Autumn Term

Club	Coach	Years	Dates	No. of Sessions	Total Cost
Music	Mrs Horton	Year 3 & 4	<b>Monday</b> First session 16 <sup>th</sup> Sept Last session 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct	4	£20.00
Forest School	Forest School	Year 1,2,3 & 4	<b>Tuesday</b> First Session 10 <sup>th</sup> Sept- Last Session 22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	7	£31.50
Spanish	Mr Sage	Year 3 & 4	<b>Wednesday</b> First session 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept- Last Session 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	7	£35.00
Sports Club	PE Coaches	Year 1 & 2	<b>Thursday</b> First session 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept- Last Session 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	7	£35.00