



Weekly Bulletin

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Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to this week's newsletter.

This Term's Value: Resilience

This term, we are focusing on the important value of resilience. Resilience is about persevering through challenges, embracing mistakes as learning opportunities, and showing determination even when things get tough. Throughout the term, we will be recognising demonstrations of resilience from our pupils, both in and out of the classroom. We encourage you to discuss this value at home, celebrating moments when your child demonstrates resilience in their learning, friendships, or activities.

Follow Us on Instagram!

We are excited to announce that Weare Academy has launched a brand-new Instagram account. This platform will serve as a celebration and praise space, highlighting all the fantastic things happening across our school and the Wessex Learning Trust. We warmly invite you to follow us by searching for Weare Academy or by scanning the QR code provided. Stay connected and join us in celebrating the wonderful achievements of our pupils.



Achievement Display – Celebrating Our Pupils!

At Weare Academy, we love celebrating the achievements and efforts of our pupils both in and out of school. To recognise their successes, we are creating a special Achievement Display in the main school. This display will be a growing tribute to our children's hard work, perseverance, and accomplishments, inspiring others along the way.

We invite you to contribute throughout the year by sending in:

- Photos of your child's achievements, whether in sports, arts, competitions, or personal challenges.
- Moments where they have shown our school values (Respectful, Resilient, Curious, Aspirational, Kind) outside of school.
- Certificates, medals, or awards they have received.
- A short summary explaining their achievement

Children can bring these items into school at any time, or you can send them via Dojo to their class teacher or the school office.

Parent Coffee Session – SEND & Inclusion Focus

We warmly invite you to our next Parent Coffee Session on Monday, 3rd March, from 2:45 to 3:30 pm. This session will focus on SEND and Inclusion at Weare Academy, providing an opportunity to meet with SLT & SENCO to discuss support, share experiences, and connect with other parents. We look forward to seeing you there for an informal and supportive conversation over a cup of tea or coffee.



PARENT COFFEE SESSION

FOCUS: SEND & INCLUSION

03.03.25 • 2:45-3:30PM

WE ARE PLEASED TO SHARE DETAILS OF OUR FIRST WEARE ACADEMY PARENT PARTNERSHIP SESSION, WHICH WILL FOCUS ON SEND AND INCLUSION. THIS SESSION IS A FRIENDLY AND WELCOMING SPACE FOR PARENTS TO MEET, CONNECT WITH OTHERS, AND CHAT WITH OUR SCHOOL LEADERSHIP TEAM & SENCO OVER COFFEE AND CAKE. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!

@ WEARE ACADEMY FIRST SCHOOL

Thank you for your continued support in making Weare Academy a vibrant and inspiring place for our children to learn and grow!

Mrs C. Dover

Lunchtime Enrichment 2024-2025

Our staff run lunchtime clubs have started up this term. Across the year we have tried to provide clubs which cover a range of interests and age ranges. As the provision is part of the school day and will take place over lunchtime, permission to attend **will not** be required. At the start of every new term, staff running the club will send a list around to the relevant classes for children to sign up.

Term 2	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
Art Club with Miss Eggby on <u>Friday</u> (All year groups)	TT Rockstars Club with Mrs Hael on <u>Wednesday</u> (Year 3 & 4)	Chess Club with Mrs Hael on <u>Wednesday</u> (Year 2, 3 & 4)	Sports Club with Mrs Mathias on <u>Thursday</u> (Rec, Year 1 & 2)
	Boomwhackers Club with Mrs Malcolm on <u>Wednesday</u>	Mindfulness & spirituality club with Mrs Munday on <u>Friday</u> (All year groups)	Computing Club with Ms Cooke <u>Tuesday</u> (Year 3 & 4)
Choir Club with Lana on Tuesdays (Year 2, 3 & 4)			

Spring Afterschool Clubs

Places in one of our afterschool clubs are booked through Parent Pay, if you are unable to book the session it means that all the places have been taken.

Club	Coach	Years	Dates	No. of Sessions	Total Cost
Forest School	Forest School	Reception, Year 1,2,3 & 4	Tuesday First Session 7 th Jan Last Session 11 th Feb	6	£27.00
Spanish	Mr Sage	Year 1,2,3 & 4	Wednesday First session 8 th Jan Last Session 12th Feb - Cancelled	6	£30.00
Sports Club	PE Coaches	Reception, Year 1 & 2	Thursday First session 9 th Jan Last Session 13 th Feb	6	£30.00

Useful Information

Key Dates

Year 4 Swimming
Wednesday

10th February – Safer Internet
Day

11th February – All Around the
World Day

12th February – School closes at
1pm.

13th February - Wear Pink Day
in memory of Alysia

14th February – Last day of term

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.



Food in School

Please note we are a **Nut Free** and **Pink-Fleshed Fish, Crustaceans, Seafood** and any **Non-White Fleshed Fish** School. **OR ANY ITEMS THAT 'MAY CONTAIN TRACES OF' ANY OF THE ABOVE, INCLUDING ITEMS CONTAINING FISH OIL EG SOME SOY SAUCES ETC**

Please do not include any of these items as a snack or in a packed lunch.



Wrap Around Care

Future Stars system, please book via this link: [Clubs / Activities - Future Stars Coaching](#)

Communication

As Class Dojo is our main form of communication, please keep checking for messages on a regular basis. If we need to contact you if your child is unwell or as a matter of urgency we will phone you. For any other issues or if your child has forgotten an item a message will be sent on Dojo.

Attendance

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



Reminder

We kindly ask all parents not to enter or walk through the school buildings during drop-off and collection times. If you wish to accompany your child to their classroom or speak with the class teacher, please use the external classroom doors to reach the classroom.

New Meal Menu

The menu for next term is now available via Parent Pay. Please book your child meal choices before the start of next term.
Thankyou

Online Safety

[Internet Matters](#) have got information, advice and support for all your concerns about your child and the Internet. Showing you the best ways to keep them safe online, whatever they're doing.

[internet matters.org](https://www.internetmatters.org)

Safeguarding Team

Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL): Chelsey Dover

Deputy Designated Leads (DDSL): Heather Cooke, Lana Whittaker, Lisa Woollon **Safeguarding Governor:** Martin Horton

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/>

PLACES NOW AVAILABLE!



Looking for a Nursery Space for Your Child?

At **Rainbow Woods Pre-school**, part of Weare Academy CofE First School, we give your child a flying start to their school life!

We offer...

✦ Learning Through Play!

✦ **Small Class Size (Max 20)** – Ensuring personal attention and close bonds.

✦ **Places for Children Aged 2+** – Funded places available.

✦ **Dedicated Forest School & Playground**

✦ **Access to School Facilities** – Seamlessly connecting your child to school life and events.

✦ **Early Years SENCo Support** – Trained staff to support for children with additional needs.

✦ **Caring, Qualified Staff** – Fully safeguarding trained to ensure your child's safety and well-being.

✦ **Slots throughout the day: 8:00 AM - 5:30 PM, Term Time Only.**



Enquire Today!

☎ Call us at 01934 733413
or ✉ Email us at
rainbow-
woods@weareacademy.co.uk

Buddy the Dancing Bat

This term, the Kings Fitness & Leisure coaches will be delivering Dance to the children in PE. As a part of these PE lessons, the children will be learning the Kings mascot, Buddy the Bat's, favourite dance! Once they have learnt the dance, on their final dance lesson, Buddy the Bat himself will come into school, and the children will have an opportunity to meet him and perform the dance to him! All the children will then also receive a Buddy the Bat Shiny Sticker to take pride of place in their Junior Activities Passport! Kings are also offering additional dance workshops free of charge at Kings Fitness & Leisure in Cheddar. To find out more information about these workshops, and the Junior Activities Passport, head over to their website at: [Junior Passport | Kings Fitness & Leisure#](#)



Street Band Workshop

Saturday 8th February, 2pm-4pm
Guildhall Young Artists Taunton,
Richard Huish College, Taunton

Explore the exciting and inspiring world of street band music with The Sound of The Streets in this free workshop for young players of brass, wind and drums.

One of the musical wonders of the world, Street bands make strong and rhythmic music, full of life and energy. They are the sound of celebration from New Orleans to South Africa, Delhi to the Balkans.

This music is great for developing musical skills, ensemble playing, rhythmic sense, improvisation, and confidence, learning to play by ear and exploring your instrument. The workshop will use a mixture of playing by ear and from music and can adapt to whatever people are most comfortable with. The workshop is led by 3 leading music educators and street band musicians.

The workshop is for young musicians under 19 years of age, of Grade 3 equivalent or above, i.e. comfortable with their instrument. The Sound of the Streets runs The Sound Invaders, a youth street band, at Castle School, meeting on Wednesdays at 6pm that is always open to new players.

Free admission but advance booking is essential. To book a place please email:

gyataunton@gsmd.ac.uk

tim@thesoundofthestreets.org

www.gyataunton.org.uk

www.thesoundofthestreets.org



Parent carer Drop-In Session Cheddar



**The Space Hub , 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.

2025 Dates

- Tuesday 21st Jan
- Tuesday 18th March
- Tuesday 20th May
- Tuesday 17th June





PROCEEDS TO FUND WEARE 1ST SCHOOL PANTO TRIP

RACE NIGHT

MARK VILLAGE HALL, VOLE ROAD, MARK, TA9 4NY

FRIDAY 09TH MAY 2025

7PM DOORS OPEN | 7.30PM FIRST RACE

£10 PER TICKET

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED FROM
RACHEL ANDERSON (Y2) OR EMILY SHAW (Y3)

JOIN THE Breakfast Club

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With Care Lead Reece

at Weare Academy

Start your child's day right, with good food, catching up with buddies and lots of fun activities

Mon - Fri | 8am to 8.40am

- ★ Pay with Childcare Vouchers
- ★ Pay via HMRC Tax Free Childcare
- ★ Book online www.futurestarscoaching.co.uk



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The Breakfast Club Crew

It's Yummy!

It's Easy to Book

It's Fun!

Child Care at Weare Academy After School

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Snack Included



Whether it's a high-energy session or a relaxing activity, our friendly, professional team will ensure your child enjoys the end of their school day!

With Care Lead Reece

Monday to Friday
3.30pm - 5.30pm = £11.00
3.30pm - 4.30pm = £6.00
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