



Weekly Bulletin

Date: 10/10/25
Issue no. 6

Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been a wonderfully busy and creative week across the school!

Year 2, 3 and 4 pupils have been enjoying the first of their tennis workshops, developing their skills and teamwork on the courts. We're also delighted to welcome Brodie the dog back into school, our much-loved reading companion, who has been listening to readers with his usual calm enthusiasm!

Our Year 1 children have been full of energy with lots of active learning, including creating colourful jellyfish sculptures. In Year 2, maths has come alive outdoors as pupils explored number lines through hands-on activities. In Year 3, the forest school has been buzzing with excitement as children learned about nature and worked on their fire safety. A fantastic experience in teamwork and resilience. Meanwhile, our young artists in Reception have been getting creative with their dinosaur-themed artwork, and Year 4 have been producing stunning rainforest-inspired pieces full of colour and imagination.

It's been a joy to see such curiosity, creativity, and confidence shining through every class!

We are looking forward to welcoming prospective families at our Reception Open Day – Monday, 9:30–10:30am and 4:00–5:00pm. Our Teacher Clubs will be starting again after half term! Please see the list below for details and sign-up information.

We thank you for your continued support,

Oliver Laken

Teacher Lunchtime Clubs

| Term 2 | Term 3 | Term 4 | Term 5 | Term 6 |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Drawing club Mrs Malcom | Computing Ms Cooke | Netball Miss Eggby | Time table Rockstars Miss Eggby | Boomwhackers Mrs Malcom |
| Art Miss Sweeney | Girls' Football Mrs Hael | Colouring club Ms Cooke | Chess Mrs Hael | Spirituality Mrs Munday |

*Days and year groups TBC

Afterschool Clubs

Clubs are now available to book.

| Club | Coach | Years | Dates | No. of Sessions | Total Cost |
|---|---------------|----------------------------|--|-----------------|----------------------------|
| Forest School Please book direct | Forest School | Year 1,2,3 & 4 | Tuesday First Session 16 th September Last Session 21 st October | 6 | £30.00 (£5 per session) |
| Sports Club Please book via My Child At School | PE Coaches | Year Reception, 1, 2,3 & 4 | Thursday First Session 18 th September Last Session 23 rd October | 6 | £30.00 (£5 per session) |

WEARE ACADEMY

Bookings are open!

Breakfast Club



Our breakfast clubs are the perfect way to ease into the morning, giving children the fuel they need, time with friends, and a positive, active start before lessons begin.

2025/26 DETAILS
Monday - Friday
8.00am - 8.40am:
£5.00



Bookings are open!

After School Child Care



Watch your little ones' imagination soar at our wraparound childcare, with plenty of creative crafts and action-packed activities to keep them active and engaged!

2025/26 DETAILS
Monday - Friday
3.30pm - 5.30pm: £11.00
3.30pm - 4.30pm: £6.00
4.30pm - 5.30pm: £6.00



★ Pay with Childcare Vouchers ★ FUTURE STARS COACHING ★ OFsted Registered

★ Pay via HMRC Tax Free Childcare

Book online www.futurestarscoaching.co.uk

Useful Information

Key Dates

Year 4 swimming
WEDNESDAY

Reception - In school workshop
Tuesday 14th Oct

Year 1 & 2 Trip – Friday 17th Oct

Year 4 Trip - Tuesday 21st Oct

Rec, Year 1, 2 3 & 4
School Photos-Wednesday 22nd Oct
Thank you

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](#)

Scholastic Book Fair

24th November-1st December
Watch this space, for more
information

Drama Club

Open to Year 3 & 4 only
Wednesday lunch time
Please sign up via MCAS

WRAP AROUND CARE

Please note that there has been a change to
the drop-off and collection point for Wrap
Around Care.

From now on, please use the main entrance
gate located in the car park when dropping
off or collecting your child.

Upon arrival:

Use the intercom system at the gate.

Press the arrow button to scroll through the
options.

Select 'After School Club' to alert staff.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Rainbow Woods Pre-School

If you require, any information
please contact us on 01934
733413
or email

rainbow-woods@weareacademy.co.uk

Many thanks,
Lana, Lisa, Baishali, Kirsty and
Nikki

Meals

If your child is going on a school trip
this term, the deadline has now passed
for ordering a school pack lunch.
Please ensure you send your child with
a pack lunch for the trip.

Thank you

Safeguarding Team

Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL): Oliver Laken

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

As parents, you can contact support agencies directly on:

NSPCC: 0800 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/>



Weare Academy First School,
Notting Hill Way, Weare,
Somerset, BS26 2JS

All parents and
children are
welcome.

WEARE OPEN DAY

Monday 13th October
9:30 - 10:30 AM OR 4 - 5 PM

01934 732270

office@weareacademy.co.uk

Parent Communications



A Friendly Reminder



The Best Way to Reach Us

If you have questions, concerns, or just want to talk something through, please **contact the school directly**. We're always happy to help and are committed to working with you to support your child's wellbeing and learning.



About WhatsApp & Social Media

- ✓ Great for general parent-to-parent chats
 - ✗ Not appropriate for sensitive or school-related matters
- Posts and messages may not stay private and can easily spread more widely



Online Responsibility

When posting or commenting online, please ask yourself:

- Is this accurate?
- Is this necessary?
- Is this respectful and in line with our school's inclusive values?

⚠ **Please note:** Sharing false or harmful information online may have legal consequences.



Thank You We truly appreciate your support in helping us maintain a positive, respectful, and safe

Community Call-Out!

Help Us Develop Our Outdoor Learning Area

As a rural and manually skilled community, we know how much talent and generosity we have around us! We've love your help as we begin Phase One of developing this space.

This phase is all about donations – and we'll be asking for hands-on help and labour very soon!

Items Needed:

- Pallets
- Cable reels
- Pots and pans
- Old utensils
- Dry wood for fires
- Tyres
- Guttering
- Ropes
- Trellises
- Digging tools
trowels, forks, spades

If you can donate any of these items, please bring them to the school office or speak with one of our project leaders.



FRIENDS OF WEARE PRE-LOVED SHOP

Give it a second life – and help our planet thrive!

What:
Buy and donate gently-used clothes and accessories

Where:
Located in the Old School Office

Why:
Save money, reduce waste and support our school community!

Bring items that are:

- Clean and in good condition
- School-appropriate
- Something another student could use!

Payment:
Honesty Box in the shop
or BACS Transfer (Ref: PrelovedShop)

Reuse. Reduce. Relove.










NEW - YEAR 4 PUPILS HOSTING A SWEET STALL & TATTOO STALL!!

SCHOOL DISCO

WEARE ACADEMY FIRST SCHOOL

THURSDAY 23RD OCTOBER 2025

PRE-SCHOOL & RECEPTION: 4PM-4.45PM
(PRE-SCHOOL AGE ONLY)

YR1 & YR2: 5.15PM-6PM

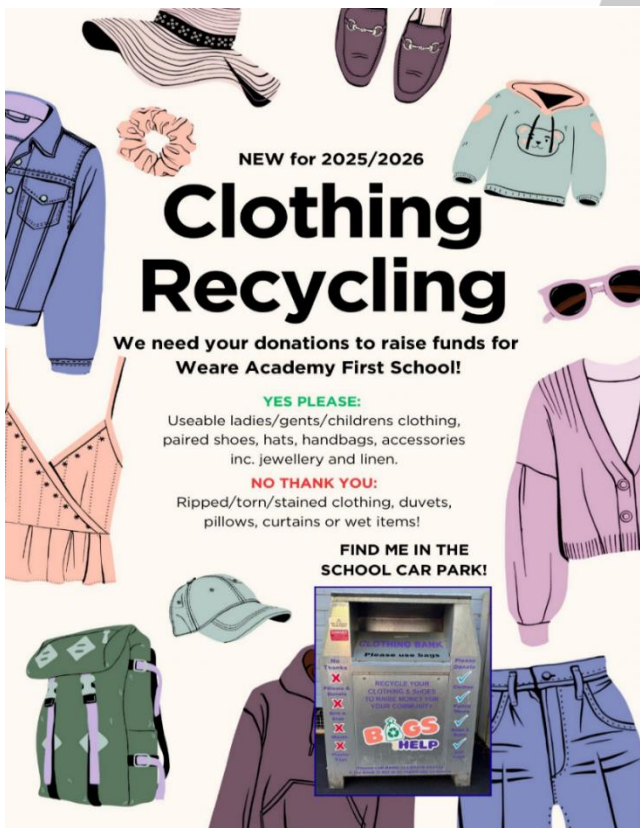
YR3 & 4: 6.30PM-7.15PM
(SILENT DISCO Y3/4 ONLY)

ADMISSION £6
(INCLUDES DRINKS)

HOW DO I BOOK MY CHILD A PLACE?
** WATCH THIS SPACE - MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW DUE TO ISSUES WITH BROMCOM **

WHAT WILL THE PROFITS FUND?
TOWARDS YEAR 4 LEAVERS HOODIES

Please note:
Details about drop off/pick up will be confirmed nearer the time.
You may be asked to sign your child out at the end of their D.I.S.C.O time slot!



NEW for 2025/2026


Clothing Recycling

We need your donations to raise funds for Weare Academy First School!

YES PLEASE:
Useable ladies/gents/childrens clothing, paired shoes, hats, handbags, accessories inc. jewellery and linen.

NO THANK YOU:
Ripped/torn/stained clothing, duvets, pillows, curtains or wet items!

FIND ME IN THE SCHOOL CAR PARK!



WEEKEND PERFORMING ARTS CLASSES.

From musical theatre, to comedy, drama and filmmaking - POA's project-based approach encourages learning by doing. In our classes, young people get hands on, creating their own content and learning industry skills, while having a blast!

WHAT TO EXPECT.

Classes for ages 6-18 are 3 hours long, with industry-expert teachers leading sessions in musical theatre, film and TV, comedy, and drama. We also offer 90-minute long classes for ages 4-6. **Best of all, we offer everyone a free session!**

BE YOURSELF BE AMAZING.

At POA, we build self-belief by encouraging young people to step out of their comfort zones, develop new skills, and be their amazing selves, in a supportive environment. Through experiencing all that the performing arts has to offer, young people can grow in to grounded, confident adults.

PQA WELLS
St Cuthberts Junior School, BAS FTD

BOOK YOUR FREE SESSION

pqacademy.com

PAULINE QUIRKE ACADEMY
OF PERFORMING ARTS

BE YOURSELF BE AMAZING



ABOUT US

This leaflet has been designed by the paediatric team in Somerset, aiming to improve access to inclusive sports. We want to encourage everyone to stay active, healthy, and have the same opportunities when it comes to health and exercise!

INCLUSIVE SPORTS IN SOMERSET

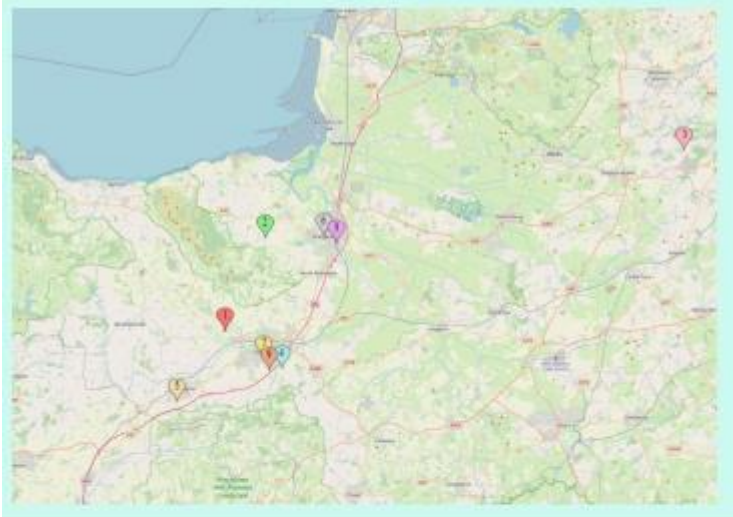


SCAN ME!



OUR VALUES:

- CREATIVITY
- KINDNESS
- EXPLORATION
- GROWTH



- 1. Congquest Centre**
 - Offers a wide range of therapeutic horse riding activities.
 - Address: Congquest Centre, Congquest Park, Norton House, Taunton, Somerset, TA2 6RN
- 2. Curygoon Equitation**
 - A riding club that is coaching for people with disabilities within their mainstream schools.
 - Address: 100 Cowley Cottage, Langwaxham, Bridgwater TA20 2RN
- 3. Jump Start Therapy CIC**
 - Offer fun, interactive classes for young children with disabilities and their siblings.
 - Location: 95 1st St, Ashford, Lough-ash Marek, Bridport BA23 5JY
- 4. Taunton Tennis Club**
 - Host a wheelchair tennis programme including a 1hr free 2 hour session.
 - Backstone Way, Taunton TA1 2JY
- 5. Wellington Ability Football Team**
 - A friendly Ability Football Team in Wellington.
 - Sunday afternoon 2-4.
 - Address: Court Field School, Marle St, Wellington TA21 6DW

Find a Club Near You!
Use the map on the next page to explore local sports clubs that welcome and support children with disabilities. (Click the club titles for the link to their website!)

- 6. Tilly Leisure Centre**
 - Disability needs classes available regularly.
 - Check online timetable for timing.
 - Address: Chilton St, Bridgwater TA8 3JA
- 7. Somerset Disabled Cricket Club**
 - Includes cricket classes for all ages.
 - Occurs on Monday, Thursday & Saturday depending on time of year.
 - Address: Cooper Associates County Ground, St James St, Taunton TA1 2P
- 8. Taunton Glaciers Wheelchair Basketball**
 - An inclusive rugby wheelchair club.
 - See: Other Clubs at 1030 1030.
 - Address: Bridgwater & Taunton College, Ashford, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA7 6RZ
- 9. Havel Tigers Ability Football Club**
 - A fun disability football welcoming all boys and girls ages 11-16 with additional needs.
 - Saturday morning 10am-12:15pm.
 - Address: Havel/Havel College, South Road, Taunton, TA1 3JZ

Further Useful Resources

- SASP "GET ACTIVE TOGETHER"**
 - Offers opportunities for families within Somerset to take part in physical activities together.
 - Sessions take place in the school holidays, across different settings, and are for children aged 8 - 10 years.
- Somerset Council ParaSports**
 - Somerset Council supports a wide range of para-sports, tailored specifically for individuals with physical and sensory disabilities.
 - Visit their website for further information on clubs and activities.
- ParaSports**
 - Delivers high-quality, inclusive sports programmes for children and adults with disabilities across Somerset, Bath, Bristol, and Frome.
 - Activities include Wheelchair Basketball, wheelchair football, tennis, running and many more.
- Ignite Bristol**
 - Aims to increase participation of disabled people in sports and physical activity across Bristol.

YMCA YOUTH CLUBS

- **Taunton:** Lisleux Way, Taunton TA12LB
- **Yeovil Youth Clubs:** Detached work is being carried out around the town
- **Street Youth Club:** Street Young People's Centre, Strode Road, Street, BA16 0AS
- **Glastonbury Windmill Hill Youth Club:** Windmill Hill Youth Club, St Edmund's Hall, BA6 8EG
- **Shepton Mallet Youth Club:** Returning soon in a new location
- **Frome Youth Club:** Frome Youth & Community Centre (FYCC), Vallis Road, Frome BA11 3EF
- **YMCA Dulverton Group:** The George Williams Centre, Friam Ave, Bridgwater TA6 3RF
- **YMCA Weston-super-Mare:** 2 Bristol Rd Lower, Weston-super-Mare BS23 2PN



ROCK AND POP BAND LESSONS!



IGNITE THEIR SELF-BELIEF

- ▶ Children learn to play an instrument in their very own band.
- ▶ Fun and inclusive in-school band lessons. No music theory involved.
- ▶ Follow their musical journey in your Backstage account.
- ▶ Exam-free, Ofqual-regulated Trinity music qualification.
- ▶ Instruments provided and no experience necessary.

BOOK YOUR CHILD'S PLACE ONLINE



0330 113 0330 (Mon-Thurs 9am-5pm, Fri 9am-6pm, local rate)

rocksteadymusicschool.com



LEARN TO PLAY MUSIC IN A BAND THAT'S FOR EVERYONE.

Choose from: Keyboard, guitar, bass, drums or vocals.

- Inclusive and hassle-free!**
Takes place in school. Instruments provided and no experience necessary!
- Have fun and learn by playing**
Children work their way through a curriculum of up to 300 musical skills.
- Taught by professional musicians**
Rocksteady band leaders are highly trained musicians who make learning music fun.
- Much more than music**
Improves wellbeing, confidence, social skills and academic achievement.
- Progress at their own pace**
Your child can achieve an exam-free, Ofqual-regulated Trinity music qualification!
- End every term on a high note**
Watch your child shine as they perform in their end of term concerts.

"Her confidence has grown so much. It has helped her in all aspects of her life."
Louise

"My son actually wants to go to school on his Rocksteady days. It has given him an alternative to academic learning."
Michelle

"I've seen him flourish socially and have friends across the year group."
Becky

£4.99 per month (first payment in August)
Money back guarantee for the first month. Cancel at any time.

START THEIR MUSICAL JOURNEY



0330 113 0330 (Mon-Thurs 9am-5pm, Fri 9am-6pm, local rate)
info@rocksteadymusicschool.com



STREET BEATS

NEW YOUNG DRUMMING GROUPS - TAUNTON!

Are you under 18 and have a passion for drumming? Or maybe you're just curious and want to try something new? Whether you're a seasoned drummer or have just started out, the new youth drumming project, Street Beats, is your chance to unleash your rhythm and be part of something truly exciting. Free but please sign up for the session.



Oct 1, 15, 29 | Nov 12, 26 | Dec 10

5pm - 6:30pm

Taunton Riverside Church, Hamilton Road, Taunton TA1 2EQ



To book contact Tim at tim@thesoundofthestreets.com or come along to the first session, thesoundofthestreets.com

[@thesoundofthestreets](https://www.instagram.com/thesoundofthestreets/)



Supported by Arts Council England



TUESDAY 28TH - FRIDAY 31ST

OCTOBER HOLIDAY CAMPS

£20 PER DAY
EARLY DROP OFF £5



All abilities welcome!

Fun and professional sessions full of games, technical coaching and match play. 9am-12pm with early drop off option of 8am at Winscombe Tennis Club

Scan the QR code or contact Emma at winscombetennisclockwork@outlook.com to book your slot



WEDMORE HOLIDAY CLUB



For ages 5-13 years, from £23* per day, 9.00am-4.00pm, at Wedmore First School grounds



In the winter, have fun doing outdoor adventure activities in the forest school grounds, and enjoy our outdoor swimming pool in the summer!**



Enjoy a jam packed day of playing games, sports, and arts and crafts!



Bring packed lunch, snacks, refillable drinks bottle, outdoor adventure clothing, and weather dependant items (sun cream, waterproofs etc).



Visit our Junior Activities Page here:

Contact Kings Fitness & Leisure at 01934 744939 to sign up NOW!

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*£23 if booked 3 weeks in advance, otherwise other this time frame
**This is a seasonal weather dependant activity



HOLIDAY CLUBS

Ran by Kings Fitness & Leisure



FROM £23 PER PERSON

GAMES | ARTS & CRAFTS | SWIM

VISIT OUR JUNIOR ACTIVITIES PAGE HERE:



AGES 5-13

FOR MORE INFO PLEASE CALL 01934 744939
<https://www.kingsfitness.co.uk>
OR VISIT US AT 01934 744939



WHAT'S ON THIS OCTOBER AT THE WELLBEING BLEND



☕ COFFEE @ THE HUB, 1-2 LOWER NORTH STREET, CHEDDAR, BS27 3HA
📍 THEWELLBEINGBLEND@THESPACESSOMERSET.ORG.UK



TUESDAYS

WEDNESDAYS

THURSDAYS

SUNDAYS

7TH
11AM-1PM

PFSA ONE TEAM NETWORKING EVENT

FREE

8TH, 15TH, 22ND, 29TH
1PM-3:30PM

POSTNATAL GROUP - MARGARET MATERNITY

GROUP SESSION - 10-15/20/30/40/50/60/70/80/90/100/110/120/130/140/150/160/170/180/190/200/210/220/230/240/250/260/270/280/290/300/310/320/330/340/350/360/370/380/390/400/410/420/430/440/450/460/470/480/490/500/510/520/530/540/550/560/570/580/590/600/610/620/630/640/650/660/670/680/690/700/710/720/730/740/750/760/770/780/790/800/810/820/830/840/850/860/870/880/890/900/910/920/930/940/950/960/970/980/990/1000

6:30PM-8:30PM

EVERY THURSDAY YOUTH CAFE

AGES 15-19 ☒ SEE PROGRAM FOR DETAILS

FREE

12TH
10AM-12PM

SLOW STITCHING WORKSHOP

£30 PER PERSON, MATERIALS INCLUDED
EMAIL LAURA TO BOOK
KNIGHTLET@MYSMBC.CO.UK

21ST
10AM-12PM

SOMERSET PARENT CARER FORUM

DOOP 04

FREE

15TH
9:30AM-12:30PM

SOMERSET PARENT CARER FORUM

WAGE WORKSHOP

FREE

16TH
1:30PM-3PM

SEPARATED PARENTING CAFE

WITH SOMERSET COUNCIL

FREE

26TH
10AM-2PM

RE-LOVED CLOTHING SALE

ENTER A LIKED IN TO GET A FREE T-SHIRT OR HAT
BOOKING ONLINE, TEXT & TELEPHONE - 01454 600111

21ST
7PM-8:30PM

MENOPAUSE CIRCLE

TIME TO SHINE WELLNESS. £5 PER SESSION.
LED BY AMANDA - JOIN THE SUPPORTIVE CIRCLE MONTHLY

10AM-11.30

EVERY WEDNESDAY PARENT & CARER, COFFEE & CHAT

SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL
FREEBEE WELCOME WITH US

FREE

YOUTH CLUB: SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER



TUESDAY 7TH

ONLS

ONLINE ENLIGHTENMENT JOINING US WITH THEIR ONLS

TUESDAY 14TH

POTTERY CREATIONS

STARTING OUR CREATIONS TO RAISE MONEY FOR YOUTH CLUB AND PRESENTS TO GIFT

TUESDAY 21ST

WHO AM I?

WE'LL TALK ABOUT WHO WE ARE AS PEOPLE, OUR VALUES, INTERESTS & HOBBIES

TUESDAY 28TH

HALLOWEEN PARTY

PARTY NIGHT WITH GAMES & FUNNY DRESSES

BOOKING REQUIRED



YOUTH CAFE:



HALF TERM ACTIVITY

- THURSDAY 2ND DJ SET
- THURSDAY 9TH CHILL SESSION
- THURSDAY 16TH RADICAL PRIEST
- THURSDAY 23RD CHILL SESSION
- THURSDAY 30TH MANDELA (HALLOWEEN THEME DRESS UP OPTIONAL)

27TH
12:30AM-2:30PM

GOACTIVE IN CHEDDAR HOODS

HALLOWEEN THEMED ACTIVITIES
BOOKING REQUIRED WITH LIMITED SPACES
£10 PP | AGES 8-15

HELD AT CHEDDAR METHODIST CHURCH | 6:30-8:30PM | EVERY TUESDAY

