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Dear Parents and Carers,

Whichever way you choose to measure it, we are truly now in Spring. The Spring Equinox (aka The Vernal Equinox) passed by yesterday, so we join those around the world celebrating its message of new life (and longer days).

We would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to everyone regarding the recent communication we sent about wholeschool attendance. In the two weeks which followed the initial letters, attendance for the whole school rose to 92.6%. We appreciate that there are times when illness means that absence from school is entirely the right thing, and we hope we are always seen as supportive if there are any issues or queries.

This week saw the arrival of the school photographer. It is fair to say that a great number of extra special efforts were made so everyone was looking their best. Some very smart hairstyles were certainly the order of the day. We look forward to seeing the "developed" (for those of us who remember those days) images.

We owe a big thankyou this week to Mrs Seaman. Last night she was very busy making her famous Red Nose Day Biscuits. Thanks too to all of you who purchased one today in support of the charity. We will update you next week on the fundraising efforts.

It was great also to receive such a generous number of Easter Eggs ready for the forthcoming events. Alongside the eggs and the biscuits this morning, a great number of smiling faces were seen. The children who decorated eggs had done a phenomenal job; some truly ingenious and creative ideas. We look forward to seeing the results of the judging – an almost impossible job. Good luck to all who have entered.

Finally, a quick reminder to the children heading to Nethercott Farm next week – don't forget your wellies.

Thank you all for your ongoing support. We hope you have a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes,

Weston Mill Team

Comic Relief

A huge thank you to Rachel and the team at CATERed for providing the delicious biscuits that helped us raise lots of money for Comic Relief! 22 We truly appreciate your generosity and support. We'll share the final total once it's been counted - thank you all for making a difference! 2



Attendance

We are continuing to strive for our attendance target of 96% and are making some progress to achieving this and ensuring our children regularly attend school to achieve success. If your child's attendance is less than 90%, you will be asked to attend an attendance meeting with Mrs Gleed It is important that these meetings are attended to ensure that we are providing the right support for your child to continue to attend school regularly. Our attendance policy can be accessed using the following link:

Weston Mill Community Primary Academy - Policies

A gentle reminder to parents that contact **must** be made with school on your child's first day of absence and each day until they return to school. If you do not provide a reason for your child's absence, this will be recorded as an unauthorised absence and could result in a penalty notice being issued by Plymouth City Council. Arriving late for school after 9.10am will also be recorded as an unauthorised absence.

Weekly attendance for 17th March to 21st March

The UK Government expectation is **96%.** We are striving for children to achieve this as there is a direct link between attendance and achievement .

This week, our whole school attendance is **93.0%**

This week's winners are : TCHAIKOVSKY Class, and FLORENCE Class.

MOZART	93.7%
PRICE	95.8%
ZIMMER	91.6%



BRITTEN	86.3%
DUN	93.4%
HOLST	92.8%
TCHAIKOVSKY	93.9%

Wellie Request

We are looking for donations of old wellies so more children can access our Forest School. If you have any please they would be greatly appreciated



Celebrating Success

Year	Value awards	Star Learners
Nursery	AJ	Jace
Reception	Millie	Ezra
Year I	Skylar	Stanley
Year 2	River	Taliah
Year 3	Morire	Mia
Year 4	Lettie	Bella
Year 5	Chloe	Jacob
Year 6	Ava S	Theia

Our Learning



This week Mozart class enjoyed a visit from Mark Jones a local Pastor who lead a wonderful Easter storytelling session. The children learnt about why Easter is a sad and happy time for Christians. They shared their ideas about Easter and how they celebrate this special time with their families.











Our Learning

Year 2 has started measuring lengths and heights this term. Last week we were measuring in metres. We used metre sticks around the class to find out if objects were shorter or longer than a metre.





















Our Learning

Year 2's Science topic this term is Plants. We are planning an investigation to explore whether plants grow healthier in light or darkness. We planted our seeds and our next step is to place some of them in the darkness and others in light and observe what happens. We will try to keep you updated of the results of our experiment.









School Uniform

Please ensure that your child comes to school each day wearing the correct school uniform. If you require additional items of school uniform, please speak to Mrs Lavers who will be more than happy to help from our spare uniform.

here's a 10% discount code for your parents to save money on uniform from MyClothing.

Code = UNIFORM10% Expires = 31/03/2025

Compulsory Uniform Items

Navy school jumper or cardigan (with or without the school logo)



White or blue polo shirt (with or without the school logo)



Trousers or shorts, or skirt (mid grey)







School Uniform

Update Below!

Parents are reminded that their child should wear the correct PE uniform to school on their PE days. We ask that children wear their school jumper/cardigan as part of their PE kit only. <u>Hoodies are no longer permitted</u>. We appreciate your continued support and invite parents to speak with Mrs Lavers if they require any support for any items of uniform.



Class Assembly Dates

Year | Friday 4th April 2025 @ 9.15

Year EYFS Friday 23rd May 2025 @ 9.15



Dates for your Diary

For all events and any changes click below:

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Spring Term New PE Days

Due to the Cricket Coach having to change his days to visit Weston Mill, we will need to change PE days.

Please could your child wear their PE kit to school on the following days:

> Year 2 Tuesdays and Wednesdays Year 3 Mondays and Wednesdays Year 4 Mondays and Wednesdays Year 5 Wednesdays and Thursdays Year 6 Mondays and Wednesdays

Thank you for your support with this.



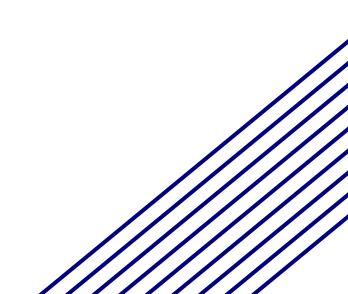
This year, as part of the **Year 6** leaver's production, we will be participating in the TRP Playhouse project. The performance date will be **Friday 11th July at 12pm**: the performance will take place at the Theatre Royal Plymouth. Further details and ticket information will follow nearer the time, but we wanted to ensure parents/carers had the date in advance.

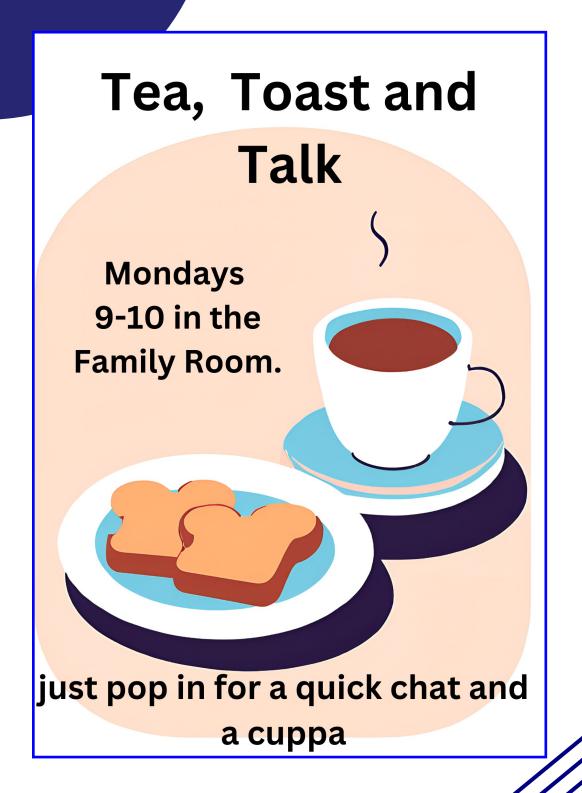
Mozart and Brahms Class

Thursday 3rd April- EYFS Easter stay and play 2pm-3pm

It's on the calendar!

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Email Addresses to Remember

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Nursery	j.bulley@discoverymat.co.uk
Reception	n.gray@discoverymat.co.uk
Year I	j.gooding@discoverymat.co.uk
Year I	I.field@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 2	k.kombostiotis@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 3	j.tumilty@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 4	j.butson@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 4	s.mann@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 5	<u>a.hewlett@discoverymat.co.uk</u>
Year 6	I.wallace@discoverymat.co.uk

Family Support Team



Mr Steve Mann Assistant Head of School

Deputy Designated Lead for Safeguarding Safeguarding Behaviour Attendance Family Support

Mrs Zoe Lavers

Family Support worker First Contact to Signpost Parents Foodbank Courses for parents/Carers Services Families Community Support School Life Parents Questions & An-

swers Local Issues

Coffee mornings

Under 5 Group

Mrs Becca Gleed Head of School Designated Lead for Safeguarding Education and Curriculum PTFA Contact Family Support

Mrs Laura Harris INCO SEND Support SEND and Behaviour Support for Parents School Nurse Referrals

DLA Applications

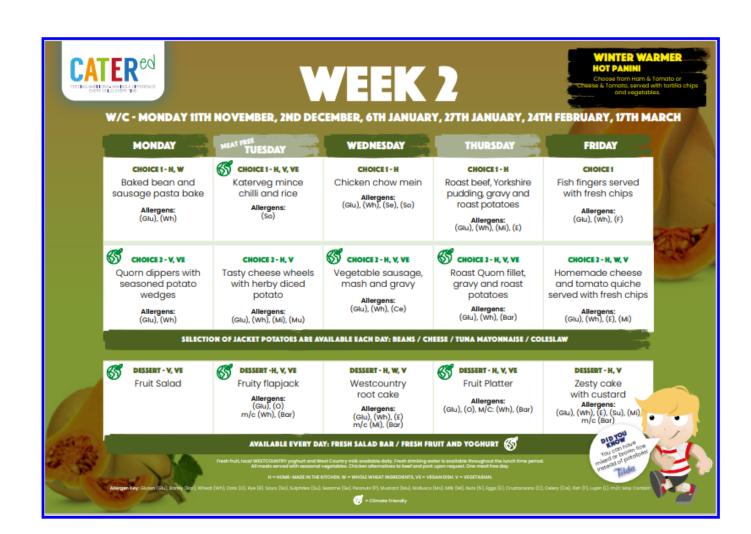
GP Letters

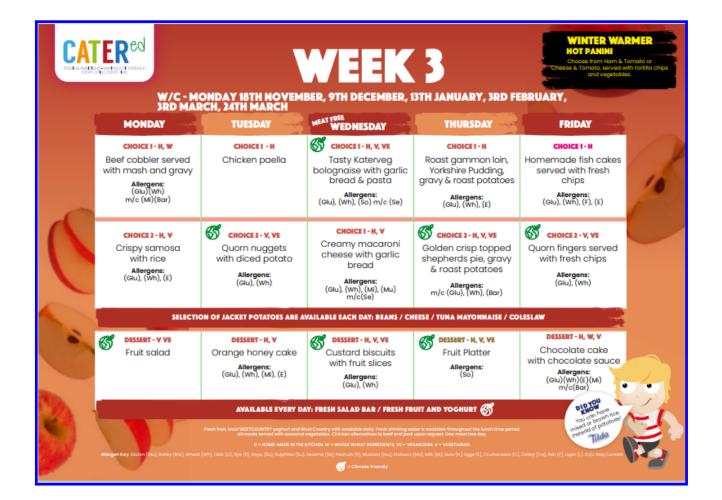
Please note week 3 Friday will be fishfingers instead of fishcakes. Hot paninis will be available Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Cheese or Ham. Nursery Children can now choose from Red, Green and Blue Option.

NEW DATES



MARCH MEAT FREE MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FEBRUARY, 10TH MAR
CHOICE I - H, W, V, Margherita pizza with potato wedges Allergens: (Giu), (Wh), (So), (Mi), m/c (E)	CHOICE 3 - H, W Chicken curry with rice Allergens: (Su)	All day breakfast - choose from meat or climate friendly option	CHOICE 1 - H Roast chicken, Yorkshire pudding, gravy and roast potatoes Allergens: (Giu), (Wh,)(Mi), (E)	CHOICE 1 - H Homemade breaded haddock fillet served with fresh chips Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (E), (Mi)
CHOICE 2 - H, W, V, VE Katerveg meatballs served with homemade tomato sauce & pasta Allergens: (Giu), (Wh), (so)	CHOICE 3 - H, V, VE Chickpea & sweetcorn burger served in a bun with potato wedges Allergens: (Giu), (Wh), (Mi, (So)	Meat Option Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (E), (Mi) Climate Friendly Allergens: (Glu), (Wh)	CHOICE 2 - H, V Golden pastry topped vegetable pie, gravy & roast potato Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (Mi), (Ce)	CHOICE 2 - H, V Tangy cheese, quinoa & vegetable muffin served with fresh chips Allergens: (Giu), (Wh), (E), (Mi)
SELECTIO	ON OF JACKET POTATOES ARE AV	VAILABLE EACH DAY: BEANS / CH	IEESE / TUNA MAYONNAISE / CO	LESLAW
Fruit Salad	DESSERT - H, W, V Butternut and date cake Allergens: (GIU)(Wh), (E)	Cornish fairing biscuits and fruit slices Allergens: (Gu), (Wh)	DESSERT - H, V, VE Fruit platter or Yoghurt Allergens: (SU), (M)	CESSERT - H, W, Y, VE Fruity cornflake tart with custard Allergens: (Wh), (Bar)







Head Lice

Dear Parents

RE: HEAD LICE

Following a few cases of head lice at school, please use the information on this sheet when you look through your child's hair.

FOR THE FOLLOWING TREATMENT OF HEAD LICE WE ADIVSE THE FOLLOWING: -

IT IS MUCH EASIER TO CHECK FOR HEAD LICE IF YOU HAVE WET HAIR.

Wash your child's hair and rinse.

Put conditioner on the hair and comb through (roots to ends) with a head lice comb. Rinse off conditioner as normal.

If you find head lice, please repeat this every day for ten days. You should then get rid of all the lice.

Please repeat for each member of the family, if you find head lice. If you have big problems please visit your GP surgery, where they may prescribe lotion to treat.

PLEASE NOTE THAT EGGS NEED TO BE TAKEN OUT ONE AT A TIME. COMBS OR LOTION DO NOT GET RID OF THEM BECAUSE THEY ARE GLUED TO THE HAIR.

Please see the NHS advice below for further information. Head lice and nits - NHS

Nasal Flu Vaccination

Any parents who missed the consenting process and still wish their child to have the flu vaccine, please ask call 01392 342 678 and a consent form can be completed over the phone and you will be assisted with booking into one of our community clinics to have the vaccination done.

Anyone who has already completed a consent form and their child did not get the vaccine for any reason will automatically receive and email inviting them book into a community clinic.



School Age Immunisation Service





PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL YOUR PARENTPAY ACCOUNTS ARE IN CREDIT.

WE ARE RUNNING A NO DEBT POLICY

PLEASE CLICK BELOW FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

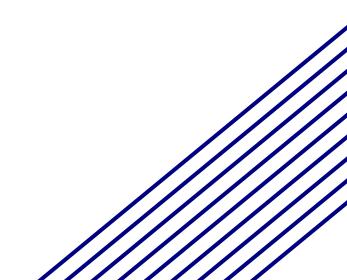
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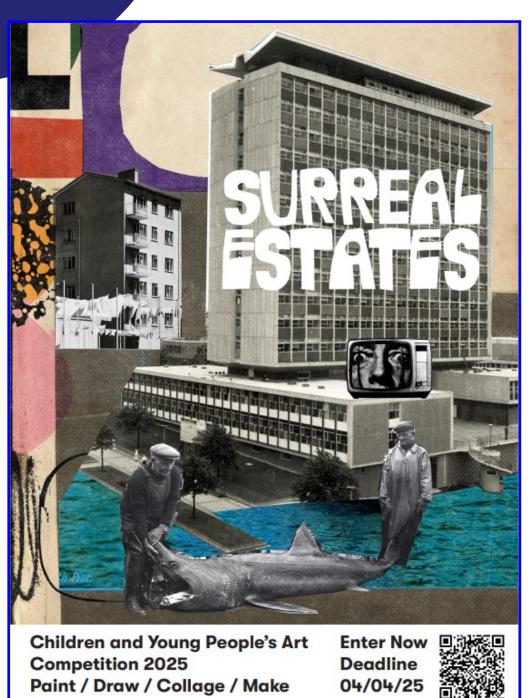
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PLEASE CLEAR ANY DEBT NOW

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The Box