

Weston Mill Community Primary Academy

Friday 10th May 2024

Headteacher's update

I hope you all enjoyed a lovely long weekend and are enjoying the warmer weather. Hopefully it is here to stay! Due to the warmer weather we are now having, please can children make sure they come to school with a sun hat, sun cream and a water bottle to ensure they are drinking plenty of fluids throughout the day. Please apply sun cream in the morning before arriving at school. Sunglasses that are not prescription should not be worn.

This week, Year 5 had an introductory session with PC Deb Hart where they are going to begin getting involved with the 'Mini Police' Project for the next half term. The children will be doing some great things both in the classroom and out in the local community. We can't wait to share what they learn and experience over the next few weeks.

Next week is SATs week for our year 6 children and we know they will be amazing. We wish them lots of luck as they complete their assessments next week. We are very proud of them with how hard they have worked. We hope you all have a lovely, relaxed weekend.

Next Friday, parents of Year 1 are welcome to come into school to watch their child's class assembly to share their learning. It will be lovely to see lots of you there. We will also be marking National Drawing Day where each class will be taking part in some activities during the day, developing their artistic skills!

We hope you have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Catherwood
Head of School

This week:

Attendance

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Important Dates

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 Catherwood. 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 7th May to 10th May

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 **90.3%**

This week's winners are : **DALEY Class** and

AINSLIE Class

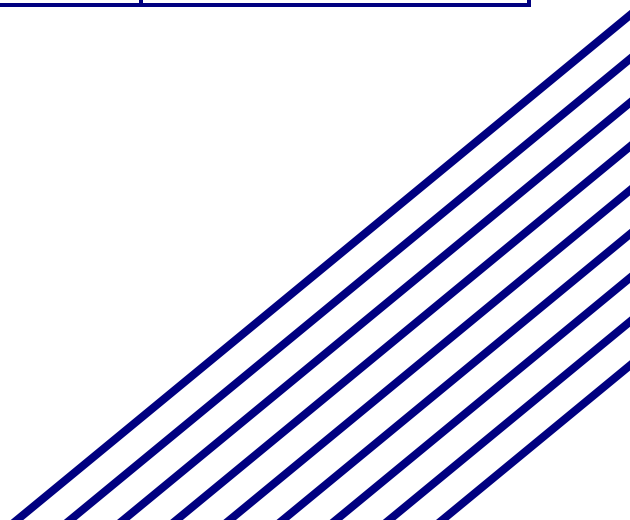
DALEY	95.5%
BOLT	94.1%
EVERSON	86.1%



WHITLOCK	87.5%
AINSLIE	91.7%
ADAMS	91.5%
BROWN	82.7%

Celebrating Success

Year	Value awards	Star Learners
Nursery	Myah	Ruby-Rose
Reception	Leo	Skylar & Aimee-Jean
Year 1	Leon	Ethan
Year 2	Elsie	James
Year 3	Vihana	Samuel
Year 4	Amelia	Lilly
Year 5	Lexi	Lyla
Year 6	Oakley	Zachary

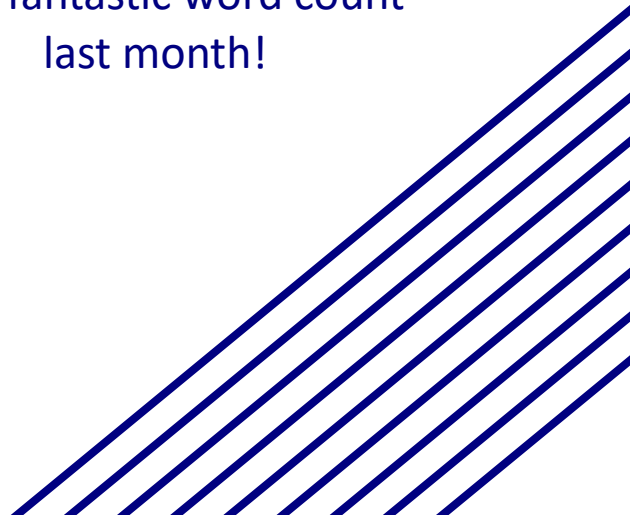


Celebrating Success

Key Stage 2 Readers Word Count Results for April

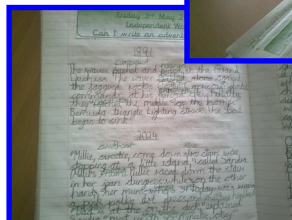
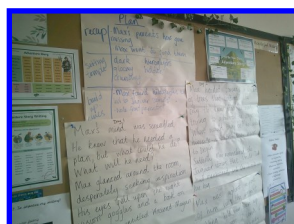
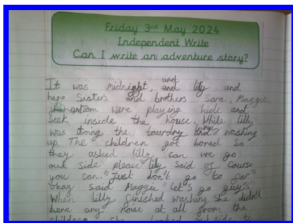
Whitlock Class	6802 Words
Ainslie Class	120,459 Words
Adams Class	880,509 Words
Brown class	68,474 Words

Huge congratulations and well done to Adams class for a fantastic word count last month!



Our Learning

Year 5 have been keeping busy lately; we've really enjoyed spending some time in our newly refurbished library, and this week we have been busy writing adventure stories, which are now getting ready for publishing!



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.

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

Parents are reminded that their child should wear the correct PE uniform to school on their PE days. We ask that children are wearing black or navy sweatshirts to school as part of their PE kit. Children can also wear their school jumper/cardigan as part of their PE kit. We appreciate your continued support and invite parents to speak with Mrs Lavers if they require any support for any items of uniform.

PE Kit

White polo shirt or t-shirt
(with or without logo)



Black shorts



Navy/Black jogging bottoms



Plain sweatshirt
(with or without logo)



Of Possible Interest



SUPPLY PLUS



**PLYMOUTH
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A Unique Opportunity to Work in Education

Teaching Assistant Recruitment & Training

Are you interested in an opportunity that gives you flexibility and choice?

Are you someone who is interested in working with children and young people?

Would you value an opportunity which can help you in your professional and personal life?

If this sounds like you ... read on!

We are excited to be recruiting Teaching Assistants to our highly regarded supply agency. Supply Plus is part of Plymouth Learning Partnership (PLP), a not-for-profit community interest company, which supports children, families and the community through their services to schools. For further information click [here](#).

This is a great opportunity if you have always wanted to gain skills and support children to learn, develop and thrive. If you are a parent/carer with school-aged children this may work well in combining training and employment with hours that suit childcare.

This could be an opportunity for undergraduates/graduates wishing to further their real-life skills or who are interested in working in education or supportive roles with children and young people.

No formal qualifications are required, although there will be opportunities to gain accreditation. All training will be offered free to successful applicants, and will be flexible to promote maximum engagement.

Training will lead to a certification by PLP and the opportunity to join a supportive organisation with a proven track record of excellence across Plymouth schools.

Interested?

Contact us on 01752 784436 or email: supplyplus@plpcic.co.uk to confirm attendance at one of our open sessions on Tuesday 21st May, 11am – 12pm or Thursday 23rd May, 1:30pm – 2:30pm to find out more.

Important Dates

Dates for your Diary

May

- 17th May - Year 1 Class Assembly @ 2.45pm
- 20th May - Parent Forum Meeting @ 2pm
- 22nd May- Year 1 Parent Meeting-Phonics Screening Check
- 22nd May - Year 6 London Trip Parent Meeting
- 23rd May - PTFA Summer Disco
- 24th May - Last Day of Term

June

- 3rd June-First Day of Term
- 4th June- Year 5 Celebration of Learning @ 2pm
- 18th June- Year 3 Celebration of Learning @ 2pm
- 18th June- EYFS Sport's Day at 1:30pm (Nursery and Reception)
- 18th June - NEW Admissions Sept 2024 Foundation Class-Parent Meeting @ 3.30pm
- 19th June-Key Stage 1 and 2 Sport's Day - 9am to 1pm
- 19th June - NEW Admissions Sept 2024 Foundation Class-Stay & Play with Parents @ 3.30pm
- 21st June - Year 4 Class Assembly @ 2.45pm
- 25th June - Year 6 Celebration of Learning @ 2pm
- 25th June - NEW Admissions Sept 2024 Foundation Class-Stay & Play @ 9.30am to 11.30am
- 28th June - School Closed

For May, June and July click below:

[Weston Mill Community Primary Academy - Calendar](#)