# Weston Mill Community Primary Academy

Friday 15th November 2024

#### Headteacher's update

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy and fantastic week we've had at Weston Mill!

We ended the week on a high with an incredible day for Children in Need! A huge thank you to everyone who donated—your generosity means so much. The children looked amazing in their outfits and enjoyed a day packed with exciting activities: baking, football skills, creating a whole-school Pudsey Bear, forest school adventures, and more. A special shoutout to our wonderful team who made the day so memorable, and to CATERed for the delicious biscuits and cakes that the children loved!

We were thrilled to welcome an amazing 151 of you to this week's Parents' Evening! It was fantastic to see so many of you and share how your children are doing. These meetings are such a valuable opportunity to meet with your child's teacher, but please remember, we're always here to help. Whether it's a quick chat at the end of the day or an email, we're here to support you and your child whenever needed.

This week, some of our children represented the school at an indoor athletics event. Their enthusiasm and exemplary behaviour made us so proud—well done to everyone who took part!

This week also marked Anti-Bullying Week, during which the children engaged in meaningful activities and discussions. Highlights included Odd Socks Day and Positive Noticing Day, celebrating kindness and individuality—a truly uplifting experience for all!

We have lots of things going on next week including:

- School Council Trip: A visit to the Lord Mayor's Chamber—what an experience!
- Year 6 Swimming: It's the final week of lessons—let's make a splash!
- Coffee, Cake, and Calculate: Join us next Wednesday, 9:15–10:15 AM, for a
  wonderful session of maths activities with your child. We can't wait to welcome you!

Year 5 Class Assembly: Happening next Friday at 9:15 AM—come along to see your children showcase their learning!

#### A Surprise is Coming...

We have an exciting delivery arriving next week, and we can't wait to share it with you. If you love books and reading, you're in for a treat! Stay tuned for more details—we promise it'll be worth the wait!

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

Best wishes,

The Weston Mill Team

#### This week:

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**Celebrating Success** 

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## 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 11th November to 15th November

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 93.8%

This week's winners are: MOZART Class and TCHAIKOVSKY Class.

MOZART	100%
PRICE	88.4%
ZIMMER	88.9%



BRITTEN	91.1%
DUN	94.5%
HOLST	92.3%
TCHAIKOVSKY	98.6%

# Celebrating Success

Year	Value awards	Star Learners
Nursery	Skyler	Roman
Reception	Ezra	Esme
Year I	Luna	Nico
Year 2	Annabelle	Bonnie
Year 3	Aneya	Morire
Year 4	Theo	Summer
Year 5	Ethan	Emily
Year 6	Ava	Nathaniel

# Remembrance Sunday



Marcie did an amazing job when representing the school at the Lord Mayor's Remembrance Sunday Service.

Thank you.

In memory of all those that gave their lives.

Lest we forget.

## 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

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. **Hoodies are no longer permitted.** We appreciate your continued support and invite parents to speak with Mrs Lavers if they require any support for any items of uniform.



#### Nasal Flu Vaccination



Academic Year 2024/25 School:

Weston Mill Community Primary Academy

Code: DV143310

Dear Parent/Guardian

Your child's annual nasal flu vaccination is now due Kernow Health's School Age Immunisation Service is delivering the nasal flu immunisation programme in Cornwall and Devon's schools on behalf of NHS England & Improvement.

Flu can be a very unpleasant illness and sometimes causes serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable friends and family by preventing the spread of flu.

In 2024/25 all children in Primary Schools from Reception to year 6 (inclusive) will be offered the vaccine. The vaccination is free and recommended for young children; it is administered by a quick and simple spray up the nose.

Please enter www.nhs.uk/child-flu to access information explaining the vaccination programme which also includes details about the small number of children for whom the nasal vaccine is not appropriate. The patient information leaflet is also in the attached link: FLUENZ Tetra, INN-influenza vaccine (live attenuated, nasal) (medicines.org.uk)

We are due to visit your child's school on 20th November 2024. In order to access the online consent form, please enter or click on the following link: https://www.kernowimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu

PLEASE ENSURE YOU ENTER THE FULL UNIQUE SCHOOL REFERENCE CODE.

The code for your child's school is: DV143310

Please submit your consent form by midday on 15 th November 2024 to ensure your child receives their vaccination.

If you experience any problems accessing the form, please telephone 01392 342678 for Devon schools and the team will be happy to help.

Please note that as in previous years you must opt into the programme. If a consent form is not submitted your child will not be vaccinated. If your child becomes wheezy or has their asthma medication increased after you submit this form, please contact us on the numbers above. If you decide you do not want to vaccinate your child against flu, it will help us if you still complete and submit the consent form giving the reason. This will help us to plan and develop the service. Please tell us if you need this information in a different format.

#### **Class Assembly Dates**

Year 5 Friday 22nd November 2024 @ 9.15

Year 4 Friday 31st January 2025 @ 9.15

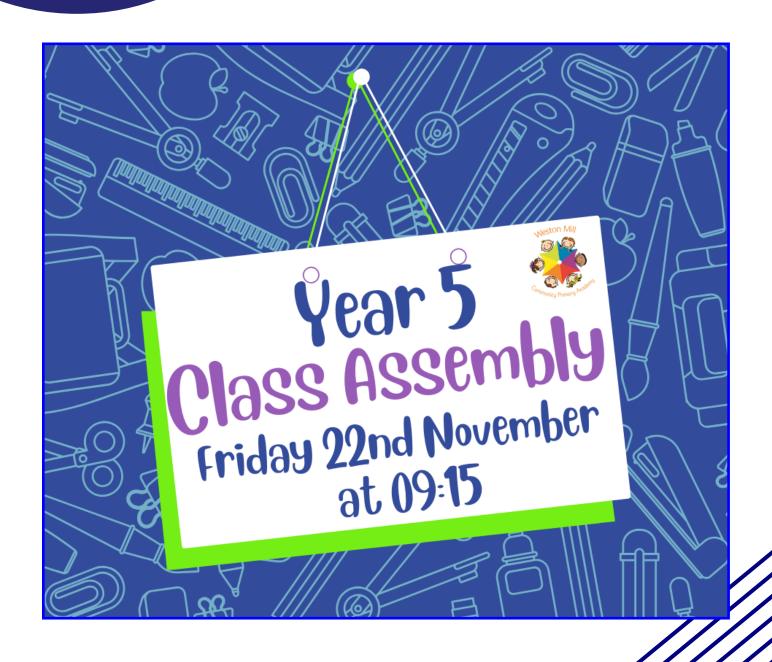
Year 3 Friday 14th February2025 @ 9.15

Year 2 Friday 21st March 2025 @ 9.15

Year I 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:

Weston Mill Community Primary Academy - Calendar



## 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	l.field@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 2	k.kombostiotis@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 3	t.hawker@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 4	j.butson@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 4	s.mann@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 5	a.hewlett@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 6	l.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 & Answers
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

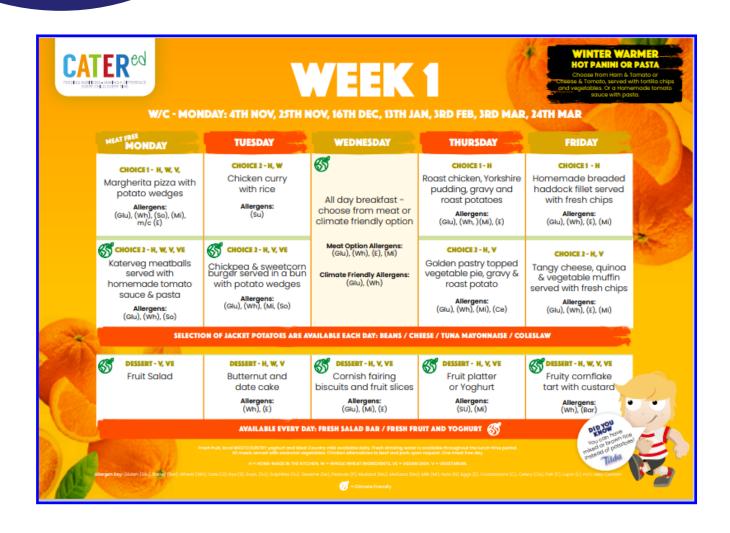
Our new lunch menu starting Monday 4th November.

Please note week 3 Friday will be fishfingers instead of fishcakes.

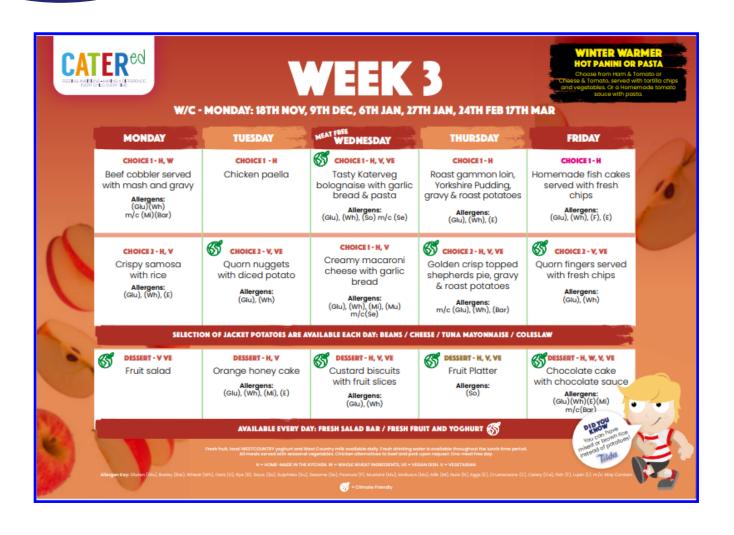
Hot paninis will be available Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Cheese or Ham.











## Design A Christmas Card



### 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