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Newsletter 12th May 2023

Firstly, I would like to say a huge well done to our Year 6s who have had a very busy week but have been amazingly positive as they completed their SATs assessments. We are extremely proud of you all and are looking forward to the next few weeks where we have some lovely things planned for you all.

This afternoon we continued with our Coronation Plans from last week. The children enjoyed time together in their house teams on the playground playing games. It was great to be outside in the sunshine and enjoy time together. We are looking forward to Sport's Day and being able to bring everyone together in their house teams.

Next Tuesday 16th May at 9am, will be our first Parents Forum Meeting. This is an opportunity to talk about our school, as well as share any suggestions or ideas. If you have anything you would like to be discussed, and you are unable to attend, please email westonmill.desk@discoverymat.co.uk so these items can be added to the agenda for the meeting. I am looking forward to meeting with those who can attend next week.

Next Thursday, we welcome parents for San Francisco's reading session at 2:15pm and Cape Town Class assembly at 2:30pm. Finally, I would like to wish all runners good luck for Sunday's School Challenge and their final half marathon mile. We are looking forward to celebrating their achievement with the whole school next week.

Enjoy your weekend!

Mrs Kathryn Catherwood

Head of School

Weekly attendance for 8th May– 12th 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 **88%**

This week's winners are : **London Class** and **Oslo Class**

LONDON	87.5%
NAIROBI	73.8%
MOMBASA	86.9%
CAPE TOWN	79.8%



SAN FRANCISCO	89%
TOKYO	77.5%
SANTIAGO	87.5%
CANBERRA	97.3%
DUBAI	86.5%
OSLO	98.2%

Communication and Reminders



We use **ParentPay** as our main method to communicate **important messages**, send weekly newsletters, book breakfast and after school club, payments for school dinners, clubs, educational visits (including residential) and discos.

As a school, 20% of our ParentPay accounts have **not** been activated. If you do not currently have access to your ParentPay account, **PLEASE** speak to Mrs Searle or Mrs Powney in the school office.

We kindly ask that all parents sign into their ParentPay account and ensure that their personal details are correct.

We ask that you ensure a mobile number and email address has been added to your account, so all future information is received.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOUR DETAILS ARE ALWAYS KEPT UP TO DATE!

You may already have an account but we would like to highlight the importance of adding all your children.

If a message is sent for a specific child, in a specific class and you have not added that child, you will not receive those messages.

If you need support with adding children or activating an account for the first time, please ask Mrs Powney or Mrs Searle.

Messages sent out this week included:

Info regarding . Year 6 SATS

IF YOU MISSED THESE PLEASE CHECK YOUR PARENTPAY DETAILS.

START OF THE SCHOOL DAY

Our school gate leading to the playground will remain open until 9:10am every morning.

Please use this entrance *only* when bringing your child to school.

Reception entrance via the staff car park must not be used before this time. You will be asked to walk around, unless there has been an arrangement made with Mrs Catherwood or Mrs Powney.

In the unusual event of your child arriving extremely late for school, after 9:10am (gates closed), the reception entrance should be used to ensure that your child is registered and their lunch choice has been taken.

Please be aware that crossing patrol is available for children arriving to school between 8:30 and 9am each morning. There will be **NO crossing patrol after 9am each morning.**

Important reminder: the school register is taken at 08:55am!

Children arriving after this time will be registered late, which has an enormous impact on attendance figures. By law we are required to register in this way. On average around 10% of our children are registered late everyday!

If your child is unwell please phone the school before 08.55am every day that they are unwell.

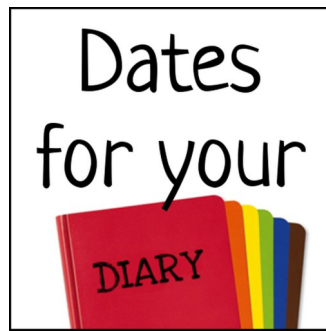
Let's work on improving our attendance together!

If you need support with this, please let us know.



Oak Villa Car Park

Following an incident, please ensure any parents using the Oak Villa Car Park take care when driving and parking, and hold your child's hand, if appropriate, when walking through the car park. This is to ensure that all children remain safe whilst arriving and leaving school each day. We appreciate your continued support with this to support our school community.



May

- 18th May-San Francisco Class Reading Session @ 2:15pm
- 19th May-Cape Town Class Assembly @ 2:20pm
- 19th May-PTFA Summer Disco (details to follow)
- 23rd May-London Class Celebration of Learning @ 2:15pm
- 23rd May Year 5 trip to Ernesettler Solar Farm
- 25th May-Dubai Class Reading Session @ 2:15pm
- 26th May- Last Day of Term 5

June

- 5th June - Start of Term 6
- 6th June-Dubai Class Celebration of Learning @ 2:15pm
- 8th June-Oslo Class Assembly @ 2:30pm
- 15th June-Santiago Class Reading Session @ 2:15pm
- 20th June-Foundation Parent's Meeting (3:15pm – 5:15pm)
- 26th June Year 6 London Trip
- 29th June-Dubai Class Reading Session @ 2:15pm
- 29th June-Mombasa Class Assembly @ 2:30pm**
- 30th June-London Class Assembly @ 2:30pm



JELLY IMAGES

Free delivery to school for all orders made before 26th May



SUMMER MENU

WEEK 01 WEEK BEGINNING: 17 th APRIL • 8 th MAY • 5 th JUNE • 26 th JUNE 17 th JULY • 11 th SEPTEMBER • 2 nd OCTOBER		WEEK 02 WEEK BEGINNING: 24 th APRIL • 15 th MAY • 12 th JUNE • 3 rd JULY 24 th JULY • 18 th SEPTEMBER • 9 th OCTOBER		WEEK 03 WEEK BEGINNING: 1 st MAY • 22 nd MAY • 19 th JUNE • 10 th JULY 4 th SEPTEMBER • 25 th SEPTEMBER • 16 th OCTOBER	
CHOICE 1	CHOICE 2	CHOICE 1	CHOICE 2	CHOICE 1	CHOICE 2
MONDAY Jerk chicken with rice and peas H/W 	Vegan balls with pasta W/V 	MONDAY Spanish chicken served with new potatoes H 	Vegan nuggets with pasta W/V/Ve 	MONDAY Sausage roll with seasoned diced potatoes H 	Mexican bean quesadilla with rice H/V
PUDDING Fruit salad, yoghurt W/Ve and fresh fruit		PUDDING Real fruit ice lolly, yoghurt and fresh fruit v		PUDDING Yoghurt and fresh fruit v	
TUESDAY Macaroni cheese with garlic bread H 	Courgette burger in a brioche bun H/V 	TUESDAY Cheese wheels served with seasoned diced potatoes H/V 	Vegetable Korma with rice and naan H/W/V/Ve 	TUESDAY Homecooked ham and pineapple pizza with wedges H/V 	Vegetable and Tofu Chow mein H/V/Ve
PUDDING Strawberry dessert whip H/V, yoghurt and fresh fruit		PUDDING Yoghurt and fresh fruit v		PUDDING Fruity rocky road H/V, yoghurt and fresh fruit	
WEDNESDAY All day breakfast H 	Vegan all day breakfast H/V/Ve 	WEDNESDAY Crispy Piri Piri chicken burger in a brioche bun with herby wedge H 	Vegetable fritata served with garlic bread H/V 	WEDNESDAY Spaghetti and meatballs H/W 	Vegan chilli and rice H/W/V/Ve
PUDDING Custard biscuit and fruit H/V/Ve, yoghurt and fresh fruit		PUDDING Fruity flapjack H/W/Ve, yoghurt and fresh fruit		PUDDING Fruit salad V/Ve, yoghurt and fresh fruit	
THURSDAY Roast chicken with Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes H 	Butternut squash parcel served with roast potatoes, gravy H/V/Ve 	THURSDAY Roast gammon, roast potatoes, gravy H 	Vegetable sausage, served with roast potatoes, gravy V/Ve 	THURSDAY Roast chicken with Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes, gravy H 	Broccoli and potato cheese bake with roast potatoes, gravy H/V
PUDDING Yoghurt and fresh fruit v		PUDDING Fruit salad V/Ve, yoghurt and fresh fruit		PUDDING Jam and coconut sponge H/W/V, yoghurt and fresh fruit	
FRIDAY Fish fingers and fresh chips H 	Baked vegetable omelette with fresh chips H/V 	FRIDAY Fish croquettes and fresh chips H 	Cheese and tomato pizza with fresh chips H/V 	FRIDAY Oven baked battered pollock fillet and fresh chips H 	Cheese and tomato quiche with fresh chips H/W/V
PUDDING Vegan orange cake H/V/Ve, yoghurt and fresh fruit		PUDDING Vegan chocolate brownie H/V/Ve, yoghurt and fresh fruit		PUDDING Fruit and jelly H/V/Ve, yoghurt and fresh fruit	

children can choose a hot meal from the above menu or a sandwich. Ham, cheese or tuna.



Weston Mill Nursery Lunch Menu

Week A (17th April, 8th May, 5th June, 26th June, 17th July, 11th September, 2nd October)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Jerk chicken with rice and peas H/W 	Macaroni cheese with garlic bread H 	All day breakfast H 	Roast chicken with Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes H 	Fish fingers and fresh chips H
Fruit salad, yogurt	Strawberry desert whip	Custard biscuit and fruit	Yogurt and fresh fruit	Vegan orange cake

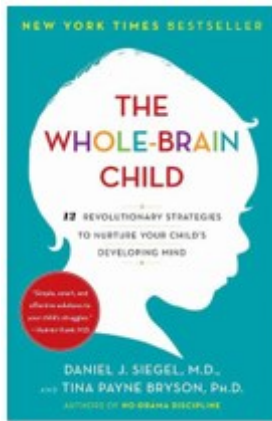
Week B (24th April, 15th May, 21st June, 3rd July, 24th July, 18th September, 9th October)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Spanish chicken served with new potatoes H 	Cheese wheels served with seasoned diced potatoes H/V 	Crispy Piri Piri chicken burger in a brioche bun with herby wedge H 	Roast gammon, roast potatoes, gravy H 	Fish croquettes and fresh chips H
Real fruit ice lolly	Yogurt and fresh fruit	Fruity flapjack	Fruit salad	Vegan chocolate brownie

Week C (1st May, 22nd May, 19th June, 10th July, 4th September, 25th September, 16th October)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Sausage roll with seasoned diced potatoes H 	Homecooked ham and pineapple pizza with wedges H/V 	Spaghetti and meatballs H/W 	Roast chicken with Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes, gravy H 	Oven baked battered pollock fillet and fresh chips H
Yogurt and fresh fruit	Fruity rocky road	Fruit salad	Jam and coconut sponge	Fruit and jelly





Some of the teachers across have been reading this book and are keen to share some of the strategies with you. These are things that we will be using in our classrooms and HUTs but also things that the group have used to support their own children and families at home. If you would like further information or ideas to support your child's behaviour please contact your schools Family Support Worker.

Beechwood – l.armstrong@discoverymat.co.uk

Oakwood- m.horne@discoverymat.co.uk

Weston Mill – m.antell@discoverymat.co.uk

WHOLE-BRAIN KIDS: Teach Your Kids About Integrating the Many Parts of Themselves

CHOOSING WHAT YOU THINK ABOUT

<p>DO YOU EVER FEEL LIKE YOU "GET STUCK" ON A FEELING OR A THOUGHT? MAYBE AN UNHAPPY ONE THAT'S SO POWERFUL IT MAKES YOU FORGET ABOUT OTHER FEELINGS AND THOUGHTS THAT MAKE YOU HAPPY OR EXCITED?</p>	<p>THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT YOU DON'T HAVE TO STAY STUCK ON FEELINGS THAT UPSET YOU. YOU CAN LEARN TO FOCUS ON OTHER PARTS OF YOURSELF AND GET UNSTUCK.</p>

FOR EXAMPLE:

<p>NASSIM COULDN'T STOP THINKING ABOUT THE SPELLING BEE. HE EVEN HAD A STOMACHACHE. HE DIDN'T FEEL LIKE EATING HIS LUNCH OR PLAYING AT RECESS. ALL HE COULD THINK ABOUT WAS SPELLING. HE WAS NERVOUS.</p>	<p>THEN HIS TEACHER, MS. ANDERSON, TAUGHT HIM ABOUT HIS WHEEL OF AWARENESS. SHE EXPLAINED THAT OUR MINDS ARE LIKE A BICYCLE WHEEL. AT THE CENTER OF THE WHEEL, CALLED THE HUB, IS OUR SAFE PLACE WHERE OUR MIND CAN RELAX AND CHOOSE WHAT IT THINKS ABOUT.</p>



The following link provides ideas for mark making, art, and early writing activities. Before letter, numbers or pictures come simple marks. Mark-making is a great start to writing and art. Marks are how children learn to express themselves and portray the world around them. So, get mark making and have some fun along the way. Use hands, fingers and feet. Squishing dough, swirling colours together – there are lots of ways to experiment with marks.

[Make-a-mark,-make-a-start.pdf \(pacey.org.uk\)](https://www.pacey.org.uk/partners/school-ready/preparation/)

PACEY is the Professional Association for Childcare and Early Years. Formed in 1977. PACEY is a charity dedicated to supporting everyone involved in childcare and early years to provide high quality services, information and advice to children, their families and carers. Further information regarding school readiness can be found here:

<https://www.pacey.org.uk/partners/school-ready/preparation/>

Parent and Toddler Group

Weston Mill Community Primary Academy will be starting a Parent and Toddler Group. This group will be run by Maggie Antell, our Family Support Worker, and Emma Palmer, one of our Mealtime assistants.

The group will be held every Wednesday between 9-10am and will start on the 25th January 2023.

Our Parent and Toddler Group will be held in the additional HUT room. Please arrive through the main reception door from the school playground. A member of staff will be at the door to greet you.

Refreshments will be available.





Weston Mill Community Primary Academy

NURSERY

**Spaces are currently available
for 2, 3 and 4 year olds within
our Nursery.**

**We offer 15 funded hours per child,
opening during term time only.**

Me2 funding now accepted.

**Please see the contact details below to
express an interest in applying for a
nursery place.**



For more information, please contact the
school on **01752 365250** or email
westomill.desk@discoverymat.co.uk.

CALLING ALL DADS OR DADS TO BE



"What I liked most about Dad's group was the opportunity to talk to other dads and have space to chill with my kids".

Dads your kids and coffee, how does that sound?

Start the weekend having some time with your child/ren and meet other local dads.

Opportunity to share stories of vomit, poop and sleep deprivation.

Try your hand at some new activities.

Find out about services available for you!!

Sessions will run monthly on a Saturday morning 10am – 12pm

- 18th March
- 22nd April
- 20th May
- 24th June
- 15th July

Please book to reserve your space



LARK CHILDREN'S CENTRE

Sure Start Community Room (around the back of Ham Drive Nursery PL2 2NJ)
01752 313293 | michelle.caieis@larkcluster.co.uk |

The Garden House in Buckland Monachorum.

We are a charity, our aim is to further the science of horticulture and to preserve, enhance and present the gardens for the education and enjoyment of the public.

This summer we will be running some wonderful events that the children may love to come to.

Boxtree Productions will be performing A Midsummer Night's Dream on Saturday 29th July at 2pm and 6pm.

Illyria Theatre will be performing Robin Hood on Saturday 9th September at 2pm.

Street food will be available for all theatre events catering for all tastes. Just bring your picnic blankets, stretch out your legs and join us in the open-air for an experience the whole family will enjoy.

We also have the Scarecrow Trail throughout the Summer holidays for children to come and view and vote for their favourite. The winning scarecrow will win free entry to the garden for 4 people. This will run from Saturday 15th July until Sunday 3rd September. There is still time to submit and entry if you would like to.

Our Teddy Bear Picnic will be on Thursday 10th August. There will be face painting, story-telling, a teddy bear trail, a FREE teddy bear cookie and a teddy bear picnic available to purchase on the day for kids (and grown up kids too!) There will be the chance to win a soft toy donated by Toy Cupboard in Tavistock and a Charlie Bear donated by Charlie Bears in Launceston. We will also have a selection of lawn games available to play.

Entry to the garden is free to members. All information is found on www.thegardenhouse.org.uk/whats-on/





Medication at School Including Inhalers

At the end of each academic year all medication including inhalers in school should be sent home.

This enables us to ensure new consent is obtained at the start of an academic year.

Unfortunately, many of our consents are out of date. Recently, letters were sent home to parents/carers of children with out of date consent. A few have come back, but many are outstanding. Without consent your child's medication **cannot** be administered. If you are unsure if this affects your child please see Mrs Powney at the school reception/desk.

This term any inhalers that are not in their original boxes with a prescription label will be sent home along with any that are out of date.

Asthma is a very serious condition and none of us want to risk an incident where an asthmatics inhaler is unavailable.

For further information on the school's policy on Administering Medication please see below. (Full version of the document and our Health and Safety Policy can be found on our website).



**SUPPORTING CHILDREN WITH
MEDICAL CONDITIONS POLICY**

Approved and signed by the Board of Trustees

26.09.22

Renewal Date: May 2024

Managing medicines on school premises and record keeping

At Discovery Multi Academy Trust the following procedures are to be followed:

- Medicines should only be administered at school or nursery when it would be detrimental to a child's health or school attendance not to do so;
- No child under 16 should be given prescription medicines without their parents written consent (see template B) - except in exceptional circumstances where the medicine has been prescribed to the child without the knowledge of the parents. In such cases, every effort should be made to encourage the child or young person to involve their parents while respecting their right to confidentiality;
- It is trust policy to **not** administer non-prescription medication on school premises
- Where clinically possible, medicines should be prescribed in dose frequencies which enable them to be taken outside school hours;
- The trust academies and nursery will only accept prescribed medicines, with written permission from parent/carer that are in-date, labelled, provided in the original container as dispensed by the pharmacist and include instructions for administration, dosage and storage. The exception to this is insulin which must be in-date, but will generally be available to schools inside an insulin pen or a pump, rather than its original container;
- All medicines will be stored safely in a locked first aid cupboard/fridge. Children should know where their medicines are at all times. Where relevant, they should know who holds the key to the storage facility.
- Medicines and devices such as asthma inhalers, blood glucose testing meters and adrenaline pens should be always readily available state where and not locked away. Asthma inhalers should be marked with the child's name.
- During trips the first aid trained member of staff will carry all medical devices and medicines required;
- We will keep all controlled drugs that have been prescribed for a pupil securely stored in a non-portable container and only named staff will have access. Controlled drugs should be easily accessible in an emergency. A record should be kept of any doses used and the amount of the controlled drug held in the school;
- Staff administering medicines should do so in accordance with the prescriber's instructions. The trust's academies and nursery will keep a record (see template C and D) of all medicines administered to individual children, stating what, how and how much was administered, when and by whom. Any side effects of the medication to be administered at school should be noted. Written records are kept of all medicines administered to children. These records offer protection to staff and children and provide evidence that agreed procedures have been followed;



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A practical
guide
for staff

Managing **infectious** cases of **diseases** in all education and childcare settings

The online guide offers information and resources for the following:

Introduction to infection control in all education and childcare settings

Prevention and control

Outbreak management

Immunisation

Staff health, pet and animal contact

Cleaning the environment

Managing specific infections

Exclusion table

Diarrhoea and vomiting outbreak action list



Advice and guidance

To find out more, visit www.gov.uk/government/publications/health-protection-in-schools-and-other-childcare-facilities or bit.ly/2xiJpPZ.





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Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

Until...

Chickenpox	at least 7 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



SCAN ME

Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfoc>.



School Uniform.

Over the last few weeks we have noticed children coming to school wearing the incorrect uniform. As part of our home-school agreement, we ask that our children come to school dressed in their school uniform and with the correct PE kit. Your child's class teacher will have notified you of PE days, but we recommend having a PE kit in school each day. Please see details of the our school uniform below.

School uniform at Weston Mill is as follows:

Navy jumper or sweatshirt

White or light blue shirt or polo shirt

Grey trousers or skirt

Black school shoes



PE kit:

White t-shirt

Plain Black/Navy shorts or jogging bottoms

Trainers

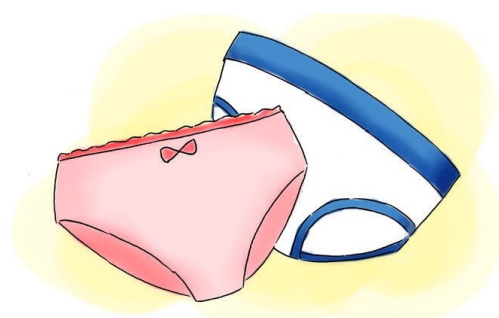


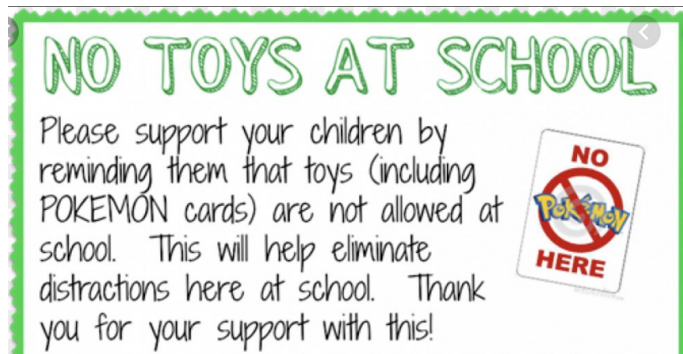
Spare Underwear Appeal

Please could we make an appeal for clean pants , socks, tights and vests for those little accidents for children of all ages.

If your child has needed any spare clothes please ensure they are washed and returned.

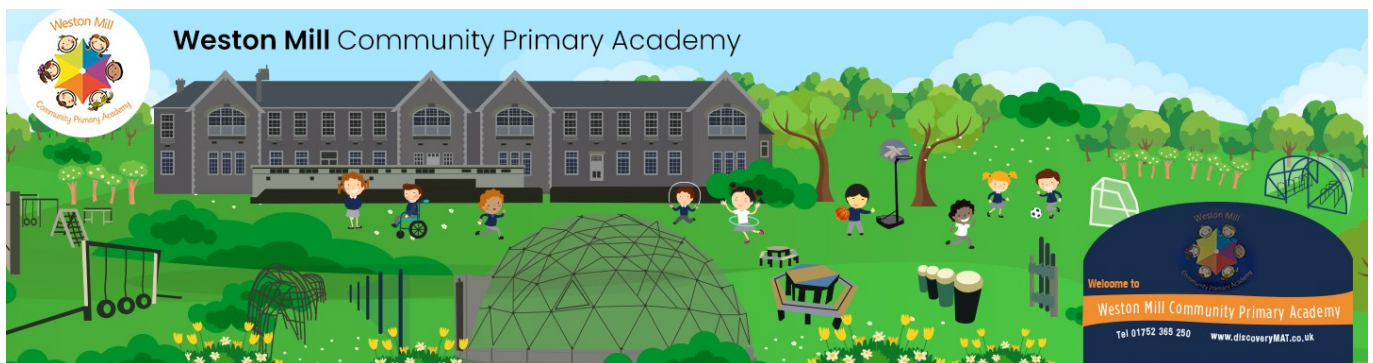
A GREAT BIG THANK YOU!





TOYS IN SCHOOL

There has been an increase in children bringing toys to school over the last few weeks, including Pokemon cards. Please ensure your child is not bringing toys into school unless a prior arrangement has been made with the school INCO Mrs O'Brien, to support SEND needs or for a class event.



WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK

Please follow us on our
Facebook page - Weston Mill
Community Primary

**You can also check our website for
latest news, dates and letters.**

BUBBLES
GROUPED BY AGE

5-7 yrs old
8-9 yrs old
10-13 yrs old



PRESENTS



£22
9AM-4PM DAY
+ WRAPAROUND CARE OPTION
8.15AM - 5.15PM

HALF TERM CAMP

TUES 30TH MAY - THURS 1ST JUNE 2023

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& DAILY MATCHES



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Enjoy a happy and healthy unique holiday experience at Plymouth Life Centre!



Our vibrant and varied holiday club provides a safe and fun environment where children can experience a wide range of activities.

Morning 8am to 9am - £2.50 | Core 9am to 3pm - £30.00
Afternoon 3pm to 5pm - £5.00 | Food Lunch & Snack - £4.00

Book Now

www.plymouthactive.co.uk/activities/holiday-activities

Fit and Fed

Fit and Fed funded places

We are delighted to be working in partnership with the Fit and Fed programme which offers children on benefit-related free school meals funded places to our holiday club. For more information contact us on fitandfed@plymouth.gov.uk

 PlymouthActive (@plymouthactiveleisure)

 @plymouthactive

 Plymouth Active - YouTube

Plymouth Active manages these facilities in partnership with Plymouth City Council



FREE FUNDED HOLIDAY CLUB PLACES AVAILABLE ACROSS THE CITY!

Q: When do the Holiday Clubs run?

A: Funded Holiday Clubs operate Easter, Summer and Christmas.

Q: What age?

A: Fit and Fed is for school aged children from reception to year 11 (inclusive).

Q: Who is it for?

A: Fit and Fed is primarily for children who receive benefit-related free school meals. We are also able to fund places for Looked After Children, Children with Education Health Care Plans, Children under Child Protection Plans, Young Carers and Children of Recognised Refugees or Children from Asylum Seeking and Ukrainian families.



Inflatable Fun



Fun sports games



Free lunch

**TO BOOK A PLACE PLEASE VISIT
WWW.PLYMOUTH.GOV.UK/FITANDFED**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL
SPORTSDEV@PLYMOUTH.GOV.UK**



Department
for Education

Fit and Fed