

Weston Mill Community Primary Academy

Friday 14th February 2025

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Week 6

Dear Parents and Carers,

This morning, while braving the seamlessly never-ending wintery conditions, many of us seemed to be exchanging comments about how welcome the half term week will be. After six long weeks of hard work, a good "rest and relax" will hopefully stand us in good stead for the new term. It seems worth noting that we have now completed the first half of this academic year.

This week, Year Three ended the term in style by presenting their class assembly. A big well done to them for their successes. It has been great to see their perseverance this term with the challenges they have faced. We really must congratulate their resilience in many ways but one in particular stands out. This term their destination was to create a Modroc model. After attempting some extremely challenging dinosaurs, they adapted their designs and created some great dinosaur eggs. Top job year three.

Thursday saw the EYFS team embrace the end of their theme related to space. Hopefully you were able to see some of the great photos of them parading their spaced-themed outfits across the school. It was beyond impressive to see the collaborative efforts of our very youngest children building a giant space rocket which in now standing, pride of place, in the Nursery classroom.

Year one have been taking in a little culture this week as they ventured into the city center where they attended The Box Museum. They spent the day exploring the exhibits, taking part in workshops and furthering their knowledge of their theme this term.

The end of terms sees most of the current after schools clubs drawing to an end. Both Running Club and Rugby club will continue into term four. Please be aware that the new club lists will be shared when we return in week one for signing up. As ever, we thank all those adults who have given up their time to run these clubs and congratulate all the attendees for their efforts and successes.

We hope you have a fantastic week whatever you are up to. Stay safe and we will see you all on Monday 24th February, ready and raring to go for term four.

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

Best wishes,

Weston Mill Team

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 10th February to 14th February.

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 **92.3%**

This week's winners are : **DUN Class**, and **MOZART Class**.

MOZART	95.9%
PRICE	91.5%
ZIMMER	93.7%



BRITTEN	84.4%
DUN	97.2%
HOLST	85.9%
TCHAIKOVSKY	95.0%

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	Skyler-Rose	Aida-Mai
Reception	Ronnie	Eleanor
Year 1	Agney	Nico
Year 2	Taliah	Ethan
Year 3	Rares	Britten Class
Year 4	Wynter	Matthew
Year 5	Oscar J	Benjamin L
Year 6	Amelia	Delilah



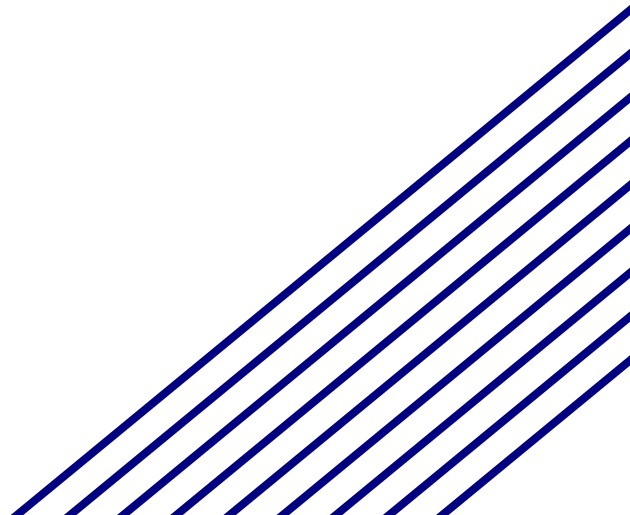
Our Learning

Mozart and Brahms class had an out of this world day! The children enjoyed a parade around the school to say good morning and showed everyone their amazing outfits. We had lots of fun sharing space stories, space dough disco and cosmic yoga. The children were very curious and enthusiastic to try the space food and heard a real astronaut read a story from his space rocket! An awesome day of learning!



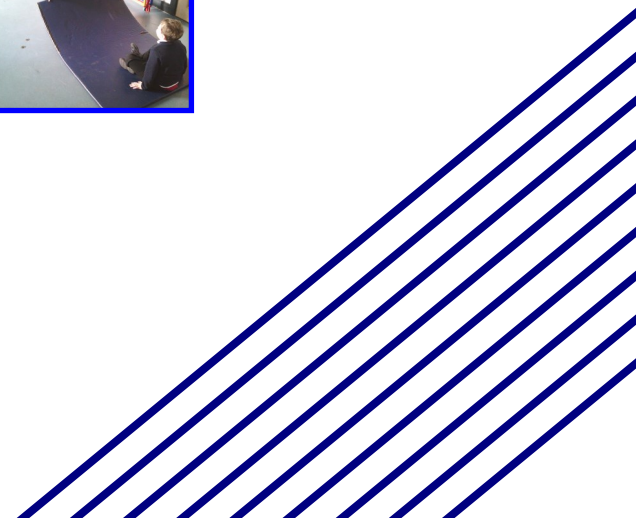
Our Learning

Year 2 were very lucky to have a sports coach in to take part in an Indoor Athletics session. The children practised running, jumping and throwing in a fun way. It was an amazing morning!



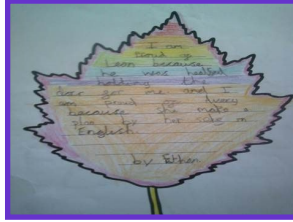
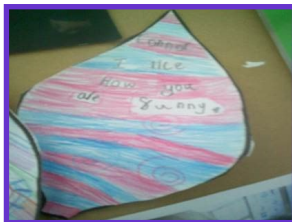
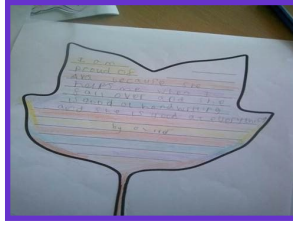
Our Learning

Zimmer class went on an Arctic Expedition to celebrate our theme, Greenland – Below Zero. The children came to school with some gear ready for the expedition! It was very cold so hats, scarfs and boots were at the hand. When we got there we “saw” some arctic animals, we had a go at some huskie sledging and finally climbed some really high icebergs. After that, we came back to “camp” (classroom) and we tried some explorer’s food. To finish a brilliant afternoon, we had an Arctic Quiz to test all the learning we did this term.



Our Learning

Year 3 children appeared to enjoy a range of activities to promote Children's Mental Health Week. They completed circuits, mindfulness colouring, happy breathing, and positive noticing. We were especially impressed with Year 1 and the lovely, kind messages they shared with one another.



Our Learning

This week, the children in year 3 enjoyed exploring metres with a trundle wheel during Maths- they estimated the length of corridor before measuring. In Art, children have made sculptures of dinosaurs/eggs using mod roc. They enjoyed painting and decorating them.



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. **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.

PE Kit

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



Black shorts



Navy/Black jogging bottoms



Important Dates

Class Assembly Dates

Year 2 Friday 21st March 2025 @ 9.15

Year 1 Friday 4th April 2025 @ 9.15

Year EYFS Friday 23rd May 2025 @ 9.15



Important Dates

Dates for your Diary

For all events and any changes click below:

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



Important Dates

**PLAY
HOUSE**

TRP Theatre
Royal
Plymouth

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.

Important Dates



We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 6th March 2025.

We would like to invite children to come dressed as their favourite book character. Alternatively, children may wear comfy mufti clothes.

Our school Reading Champions have suggested that each child could donate an amount (perhaps 50p). These donations will be used for each class to purchase a few new books for the class library. The books will be chosen by a vote in each class.

Thank you for your kind support.

Important Dates



WE NEED YOUR HELP

Careers Day

Weston Mill
Community Primary Academy

On Friday 7th March, we are holding a Careers Day! This is about raising children's aspirations for their futures and learning about a wide variety of jobs.

We are looking for a variety of visitors to come in and talk to the children all about their careers and occupations! If you, or anyone you know, are able to help, please follow the link to complete the form and we will get back to you with more details. <https://forms.office.com/e/CsDHj0YHTs>

Thank you!



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Important Dates

Mozart and Brahms Class trip to the garden centre week beginning Monday 10th March

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

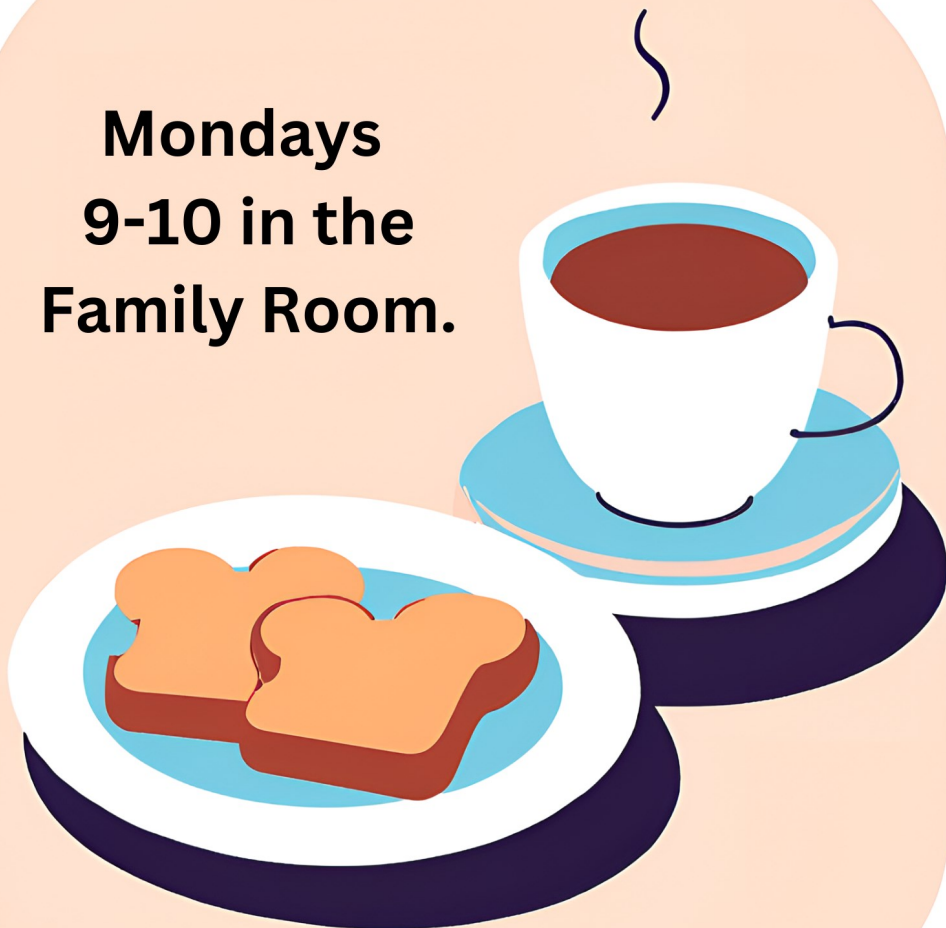
It's on the calendar!

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

Important Dates

Tea, Toast and Talk

**Mondays
9-10 in the
Family Room.**



**just pop in for a quick chat and
a cuppa**

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Nursery	j.bulley@discoverymat.co.uk
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Year 1	j.gooding@discoverymat.co.uk
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Year 3	j.tumilty@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

Lunch Menu

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



Lunch Menu










WEEK 1

WINTER WARMER HOT PANINI

Choose from Ham & Tomato or Cheese & Tomato, served with tortilla chips and vegetables.

W/C - MONDAY 4TH NOVEMBER, 25TH NOVEMBER, 16TH DECEMBER, 20TH JANUARY, 10TH FEBRUARY, 10TH MARCH, 31ST MARCH

MEAT FREE MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
CHOICE 1 - H, W, V Margherita pizza with potato wedges Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (So), (Mi), m/c (E)	CHOICE 2 - 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: (Glu), (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: (Glu), (Wh), (So)	 CHOICE 2 - H, V, VE Chickpea & sweetcorn burger served in a bun with potato wedges Allergens: (Glu), (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: (Glu), (Wh), (E), (Mi)
SELECTION OF JACKET POTATOES ARE AVAILABLE EACH DAY: BEANS / CHEESE / TUNA MAYONNAISE / COLESLAW				
 DESSERT - V, VE Fruit Salad	DESSERT - H, W, V Butternut and date cake Allergens: (Glu)(Wh), (E)	 DESSERT - H, V, VE Cornish fairing biscuits and fruit slices Allergens: (Glu), (Wh)	 DESSERT - H, V, VE Fruit platter or Yoghurt Allergens: (Su), (Mi)	 DESSERT - H, W, V, VE Fruity cornflake tart with custard Allergens: (Wh), (Bar)

AVAILABLE EVERY DAY: FRESH SALAD BAR / FRESH FRUIT AND YOGHURT 

Fresh fruit, local WESTCOUNTRY yoghurt and West Country milk available daily. Fresh drinking water is available throughout the lunch time period. All meals served with seasonal vegetables. Check alternatives to beef and pork upon request. One meat free day.

H = HOME MADE IN THE KITCHEN W = WHOLE WHEAT INGREDIENTS, VE = VEGAN DEEH, V = VEGETARIAN

Allergen Key: Gluten (Glu), Barley (Bar), Wheat (Wh), Oats (O), Rye (R), Soya (So), Sulphites (Su), Sesame (Se), Peanuts (P), Mustard (Mu), Molluscs (Mo), Milk (M), Nuts (N), Eggs (E), Crustaceans (C), Celery (Ce), Fish (F), Lupin (L), m/c: May Contain

 = Climate Friendly



Lunch Menu







WEEK 2

WINTER WARMER HOT PANINI


Choose from Ham & Tomato or Cheese & Tomato, served with tortilla chips and vegetables.

W/C - MONDAY 11TH NOVEMBER, 2ND DECEMBER, 6TH JANUARY, 27TH JANUARY, 24TH FEBRUARY, 17TH MARCH

MONDAY	MEAT FREE TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
CHOICE 1 - H, W Baked bean and sausage pasta bake Allergens: (Glu), (Wh)	 CHOICE 1 - H, V, VE Katerveg mince chilli and rice Allergens: (So)	CHOICE 1 - H Chicken chow mein Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (Se), (So)	CHOICE 1 - H Roast beef, Yorkshire pudding, gravy and roast potatoes Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (Mi), (E)	CHOICE 1 Fish fingers served with fresh chips Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (F)
 CHOICE 2 - V, VE Quorn dippers with seasoned potato wedges Allergens: (Glu), (Wh)	CHOICE 2 - H, V Tasty cheese wheels with herby diced potato Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (Mi), (Mu)	 CHOICE 2 - H, V, VE Vegetable sausage, mash and gravy Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (Ce)	 CHOICE 2 - H, V, VE Roast Quorn fillet, gravy and roast potatoes Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (Bar)	CHOICE 2 - H, W, V Homemade cheese and tomato quiche served with fresh chips Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (E), (Mi)

SELECTION OF JACKET POTATOES ARE AVAILABLE EACH DAY: BEANS / CHEESE / TUNA MAYONNAISE / COLESLAW


 DESSERT - V, VE Fruit Salad Allergens: (Glu), (O)	 DESSERT - H, V, VE Fruity flapjack Allergens: (Glu), (O) m/c (Wh), (Bar)	DESSERT - H, W, V Westcountry root cake Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (E) m/c (Mi), (Bar)	 DESSERT - H, V, VE Fruit Platter Allergens: (Glu), (O), M/C: (Wh), (Bar)	DESSERT - H, V Zesty cake with custard Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (E), (Su), (Mi) m/c (Bar)
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DID YOU KNOW
 You can have mixed or brown rice instead of potatoes!
 Tilda



Lunch Menu



WEEK 3

WINTER WARMER HOT PANINI

Choose from Ham & Tomato or Cheese & Tomato, served with tortilla chips and vegetables.

W/C - MONDAY 18TH NOVEMBER, 9TH DECEMBER, 13TH JANUARY, 3RD FEBRUARY, 3RD MARCH, 24TH MARCH

MONDAY	TUESDAY	MEAT FREE WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>CHOICE 1 - H, W Beef cobbler served with mash and gravy Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), m/c (Mi), (Bar)</p>	<p>CHOICE 1 - H Chicken paella</p>	<p>CHOICE 1 - H, V, VE Tasty Katerveg bolognaise with garlic bread & pasta Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (So), m/c (Se)</p>	<p>CHOICE 1 - H Roast gammon loin, Yorkshire Pudding, gravy & roast potatoes Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (E)</p>	<p>CHOICE 1 - H Homemade fish cakes served with fresh chips Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (F), (E)</p>
<p>CHOICE 2 - H, V Crispy samosa with rice Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (E)</p>	<p>CHOICE 2 - V, VE Quorn nuggets with diced potato Allergens: (Glu), (Wh)</p>	<p>CHOICE 1 - H, V Creamy macaroni cheese with garlic bread Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (Mi), (Mu), m/c (Se)</p>	<p>CHOICE 2 - H, V, VE Golden crisp topped shepherds pie, gravy & roast potatoes Allergens: m/c (Glu), (Wh), (Bar)</p>	<p>CHOICE 2 - V, VE Quorn fingers served with fresh chips Allergens: (Glu), (Wh)</p>
SELECTION OF JACKET POTATOES ARE AVAILABLE EACH DAY: BEANS / CHEESE / TUNA MAYONNAISE / COLESLAW				
<p>DESSERT - V, VE Fruit salad</p>	<p>DESSERT - H, V Orange honey cake Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (Mi), (E)</p>	<p>DESSERT - H, V, VE Custard biscuits with fruit slices Allergens: (Glu), (Wh)</p>	<p>DESSERT - H, V, VE Fruit Platter Allergens: (So)</p>	<p>DESSERT - H, W, V Chocolate cake with chocolate sauce Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (E), (Mi), m/c (Bar)</p>

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Lunch Menu

ED'S SPECIAL EVENTS



NOVEMBER **BONFIRE NIGHT** (TUESDAY 5TH NOVEMBER)

Hotdogs with seasoned wedges, Warming chilli and rice, Jacket potatoes with bonfire beans and cheese, Toffee apple cake and custard



DECEMBER **CHRISTMAS LUNCH** (SEE YOUR SCHOOL FOR DATE)

See your schools poster for the full Christmas menu and date



JANUARY **SIX NATIONS** (FRIDAY 31ST JANUARY)

Fish fillet and chips or pasta, Cheese and leek plait, served with French green beans and carrots, Melting moments



FEBRUARY **TEDDY BEAR DAY** (MONDAY 10TH FEBRUARY)

Winnie the Pooh honey chicken with seasoned wedges and coleslaw, Kung Fu Panda stir fried noodles with veg, Paddington Bear marmalade cake



MARCH **INTER. SCHOOL MEAL DAY** (THURSDAY 13TH MARCH)

Roast beef and Yorkshire pudding, Italian Frittata, Lamington tray bake, Salad bar includes Swedish beetroot and apple salad



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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 ADVISE 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.



NHS

flu: 5 reasons to vaccinate your child

- 1. Protect your child**
The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia
- 2. Protect you, your family and friends**
Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family
- 3. No injection needed**
The nasal spray is painless and easy to have
- 4. It's better than having flu**
The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record
- 5. Avoid costs**
If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare

For more information visit
www.nhs.uk/child-flu

Flu i mmunisation
Helping to protect children, every winter

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The ParentPay logo is displayed in white text on a blue rounded rectangular background. The background of the entire page features a dark blue circular shape on the left and a series of parallel diagonal lines in the bottom right corner.

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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[Weston Mill Community Primary Academy - School Meals](#)

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

PLEASE CLEAR ANY DEBT NOW

[ParentPay](#)