

Weston Mill Community Primary Academy

Friday 4th October 2024

Headteacher's update

Dear Parents and carers,

What a fantastic week we've had! We kicked off with a wonderful Harvest Assembly, and it was heartwarming to see so many parents joining us. Your generosity with the donations has been incredible, and we can't thank you enough. All the food donations have been delivered to Provide Devon, making a real difference in our community.

A special shout-out to all the parents who attended our Maths Workshop on Thursday morning. It was such a joy to welcome you into school, and the children had a blast sharing their favourite maths games with you!

Thursday was also National Poetry Day, and the children embraced it with enthusiasm. They had opportunities throughout the day to explore and create poetry, and we were blown away by their creativity.

We are excited to share that this week we also held our first PTFA meeting of the year! It's been great to start planning some fun fund-raising events for the year ahead. We're particularly thrilled about one project – expanding our community with some new animal friends! With our beautiful outdoor space, we'd love to develop it further by introducing animals, and the funds raised this year will go toward making this happen.

If you're interested in getting involved with the PTFA and helping us organise these exciting events for the children, we'd love to hear from you! Feel free to reach out to Mrs. Triscott, Mrs. Seaman, or Mrs. Glead to find out more.

Thank you for your continued support, and as always, we wish you a relaxing and enjoyable weekend.

Best wishes,
The Weston Mill Team

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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 30th September to 4th October

The UK Government expectation is **97%**. 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 **92.7%**

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

MOZART	100%
PRICE	83.1%
ZIMMER	90%



BRITTEN	85.6%
DUN	97.2%
HOLST	94.1%
TCHAIKOVSKY	96.3%

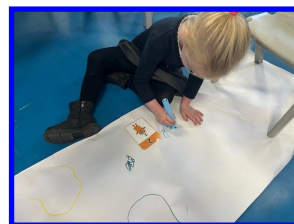
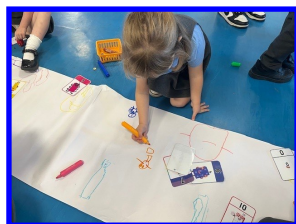
Celebrating Success

Year	Value awards	Star Learners
Nursery	Aelfric	Maisie
Reception	Logan	Elizabeth
Year 1	Aria	Morola
Year 2	Leon	Maddison
Year 3	Elsie	Rio
Year 4	Lettie	Tilly
Year 5	James	Ben
Year 6	James	Emily P



Our Learning

Mozart Class have been helping Colin the Caterpillar to count carefully in their Mastering Number Sessions. We have used different resources to create numbers 1-10. The children have really enjoyed counting objects into groups for the numberblocks and threading cheerios onto spaghetti counting as the towers get taller!



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.

PE Kit

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



Black shorts



Navy/Black jogging bottoms



Open Days



The poster features a central circular image of a school building. To the left, a group of children in school uniforms stands on a grassy field. The background is a mix of blue and yellow geometric shapes. At the top right, there are colorful paperclip icons. At the bottom, there is a row of colorful pencils. On the right side, there is an illustration of a stack of books. The text is in white and yellow on a dark blue background.

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WESTON MILL OPEN DAYS

Is your child due to start school in September 2025?

We would like to invite you to visit our school

Tuesday 1st October at 3.45pm
Thursday 17th October at 10.00am

- Please call the office on
- **01752 265350**
- or email
- **westonmill.desk@discoverymat.co.uk**
- to book your place or for more information.



Green Army Non Uniform Day



ARGYLE
COMMUNITY
TRUST

Home Park, Plymouth, PL2 3DQ

Dear

Student/Parent/Guardian,

Weston Mill Primary School is proud to announce that we will be holding a 'Green Army' Multi Day on **Friday 25th October**. Argyle shirts and/or green clothing is encouraged!

As Plymouth Argyle Football Club make their way through another gripping Sky Bet Championship campaign, we have partnered with Argyle Community Trust, the official charity of Plymouth Argyle FC, [in order to show our support for Project 35](#).

Project 35 is the Argyle Community Trust's landmark social action initiative aimed at reducing poverty in Plymouth, through a comprehensive campaign of fund-raising, awareness raising, social outreach, food donations, education, and charity support. The Project's titular number, 35, represents the percentage of children in Plymouth reported to be living in poverty in some wards of our city, according to the most recent (2019) pre-pandemic data.

We kindly ask students who wear mufti on the day to donate long-life food items (tins, jars, sauces etc.) or £1, which will go towards the Argyle Community Trust's Community Larder. In return for our fundraising efforts, Argyle Community Trust have arranged for a morning assembly to take place on the day for the students.

The students will be hearing from a staff member from Argyle Community Trust, a Plymouth Argyle player (Past or up and coming) and, of course, **Pilgrim Pete**, the official mascot of Plymouth Argyle.

The students will be hearing from the team about Project 35, how important the roles of education and sport are in a person's personal development, as well as [have the opportunity to ask about what it's like to watch one of Plymouth Argyle's most exciting ever teams!](#)

Please show your support for such an important cause by getting involved. Thank you in advance for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Matt White

Events & Fundraising Officer, Argyle Community Trust

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Important Dates

Class Assembly Dates

Year 6 Friday 18th October 2024 @ 9.15

Year 5 Friday 22nd November 2024 @ 9.15

Year 4 Friday 31st January 2025 @ 9.15

Year 3 Friday 14th February 2025 @ 9.15

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](#)



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Nursery	j.bulley@discoverymat.co.uk
Reception	n.gray@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 1	j.gooding@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 1	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

Design A Christmas Card

Reed

Design a Christmas card for Reed and win a Smiggle prize

One talented young artist will have the honour of designing Reed's 2024 Christmas card which, if chosen will be sent to businesses across the country.

The prizes:

First place: £50 Smiggle voucher and the title of 'Official Designer of the Reed 2024 Christmas Card!'

Second place: £30 Smiggle voucher

Third place: £20 Smiggle voucher

Send us your design:

pamela.waghorn@reed.com

By Friday 15 November

Good luck. We can't wait to see what you create!

Reed's education team



Use below area and include at least one Christmas item: for example, Santa, tree or a snowman.

