

Weston Mill Community Primary Academy

Friday 25th October 2024

Headteacher's update

As we approach the end of a busy first half-term, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on the exciting events and achievements in school over the past few weeks. The children have settled in well, and it has been wonderful to see all the amazing things they have been doing and learning. Their enthusiasm for learning is truly inspiring, and we are so proud of how they've embraced this new school year. We are looking forward to all the exciting things to come next half-term!

This week, we were delighted to welcome PCiP into school, where the Year 1 children enjoyed a wonderful story session. They had a fantastic time, engaging with the story by asking and answering lots of questions.

After half term, we will continue selling poppies and other related items for a donation. Please feel free to send in any contributions to support this. On Friday, 8th November, we will also hold a special Remembrance assembly to mark this important occasion.

As we come to the end of the first half term of clubs, the children have enjoyed participating in a wide range of activities. Next term's clubs were highly sought after, and places have been allocated. You should have received an email confirming whether or not your child has secured a place. For those who were unsuccessful, we have a waiting list in place. However, there are still spaces available in the Multi-Skills club, so if your child is interested, please let us know, and we will add them to the list.

Today has been a fantastic day as we supported Argyle's Project 35 initiative. The children looked amazing, and we are so grateful for your generous donations in support of this great cause. The children also enjoyed a lively assembly this morning with a special visit from Pilgrim Pete!

I am excited to share that after half-term, we will be launching **'Hot Chocolate Friday'** at Weston Mill! While we value celebrating success, we focus on meaningful, personal recognition rather than giving out lots of prizes. This happens daily through conversations, certificates, ensuring each child's achievements are acknowledged.

Hot Chocolate Friday will be a special weekly event where we celebrate children who have gone above and beyond from each class. At 2:15pm, these children will join me in the library for hot chocolate, treats, and a chat about their successes and weekend plans. The treat is nice, but the real reward is taking time to recognise and celebrate the children's efforts and make them feel proud of their accomplishments.

After half-term, we will also be inviting parents of our weekly award winners to join us in celebrating their child's achievements. If your child is selected to receive an award, you will be notified on Thursday and invited to attend our Friday celebration assembly at 2:45 pm. We are really looking forward to welcoming you in to our weekly celebration and we hope you will be able to attend and enjoy this with us!

We hope you have a wonderful half term break, and we look forward to welcoming you all back on Monday 4th November.

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 21st October to 25th October

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 **92.62%**

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

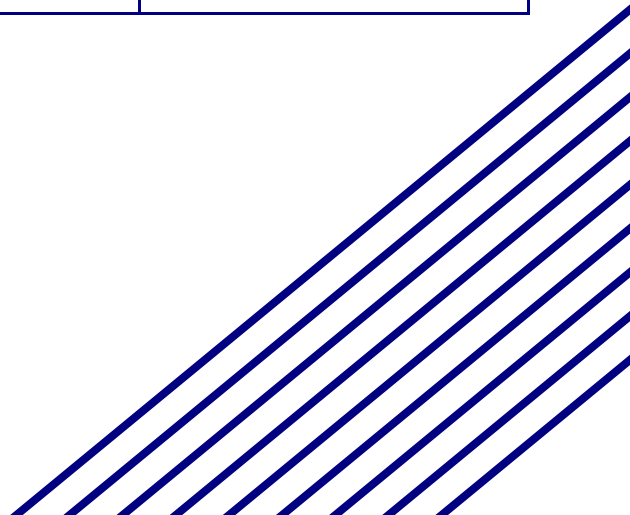
MOZART	100%
PRICE	89.48%
ZIMMER	91.38%



BRITTEN	85.38%
DUN	92.59%
HOLST	92.95%
TCHAIKOVSKY	94.84%

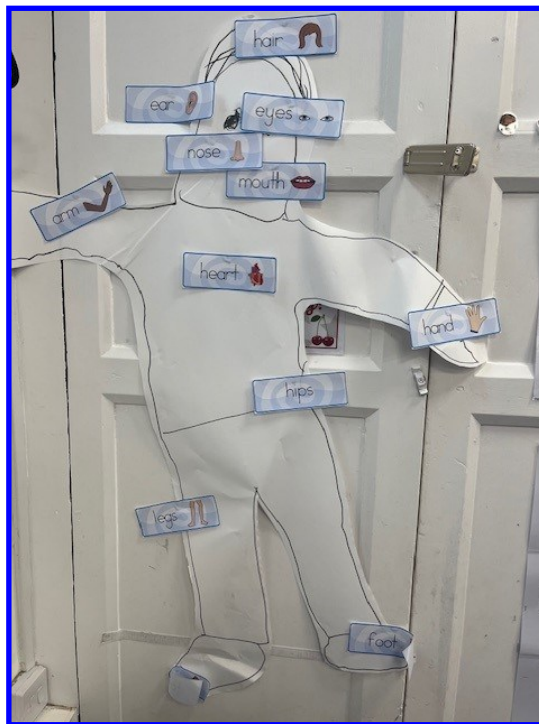
Celebrating Success

Year	Value awards	Star Learners
Nursery	Pearl G	Jessica
Reception	Wolf	Florence
Year 1	Evie	Henry
Year 2	Alice	Leon
Year 3	Morire	Violet
Year 4	Evie	Vihana
Year 5	Hope	Ethan
Year 6	Malak	James



Our Learning

Last week in Mozart Class the children have been learning to identify the different parts of their bodies. We enjoyed working collaboratively to create giant bodies, playing games and singing songs. We talked about the similarities and differences between each other and celebrated that we are all different and all special.



Our Learning

Year 2 love My Happy Mind! This term we have learned all about our brain. We learnt all about HAP (Hippocampus, Amygdala, Prefrontal Cortex) and how effects our feelings. So, today we worked collaboratively to create posters about HAP and our feelings.



Our Learning

It was wonderful to welcome so many parents in to watch Year 6's class assembly, showing off all their learning from term 1. We are really proud of how they have started their final year of primary school and how hard working, settled and committed to their learning they are. Well done Year 6!



Our Learning

In computing this term, Year 6 have used a software programme called TinkerCad to create and build a 3D model of the Dartmoor landscape. I was extremely impressed with their computing skills, especially using this programme and it was fantastic to see collaboration in sharing ideas and skills.



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



Nasal Flu Vaccination



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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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.

Important Dates

Class Assembly Dates

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](#)



Email Addresses to Remember

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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

Family Support Team

			
<p>Mr Steve Mann Assistant Head of School Deputy Designated Lead for Safeguarding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safeguarding Behaviour Attendance Family Support 	<p>Mrs Zoe Lavers Family Support worker</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 	<p>Mrs Becca Gleed Head of School</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Designated Lead for Safeguarding Education and Curriculum PTFA Contact Family Support 	<p>Mrs Laura Harris INCO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SEND Support SEND and Behaviour Support for Parents School Nurse Referrals DLA Applications GP Letters

Lunch Menu

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, Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Cheese or Ham.



Lunch Menu










WEEK 1

W/C - MONDAY: 4TH NOV, 25TH NOV, 16TH DEC, 13TH JAN, 3RD FEB, 3RD MAR, 24TH MAR

WINTER WARMER HOT PANINI OR PASTA

Choose from Ham & Tomato or Cheese & Tomato, served with tortilla chips and vegetables. Or a Homemade tomato sauce with pasta.

MEAT FREE MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>CHOICE 1 - H, W, V Margherita pizza with potato wedges</p> <p>Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (So), (Mi), m/c (E)</p>	<p>CHOICE 2 - H, W Chicken curry with rice</p> <p>Allergens: (Su)</p>	<p> All day breakfast - choose from meat or climate friendly option</p>	<p>CHOICE 1 - H Roast chicken, Yorkshire pudding, gravy and roast potatoes</p> <p>Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (Mi), (E)</p>	<p>CHOICE 1 - H Homemade breaded haddock fillet served with fresh chips</p> <p>Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (E), (Mi)</p>
<p> CHOICE 2 - H, W, V, VE Katerveg meatballs served with homemade tomato sauce & pasta</p> <p>Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (So)</p>	<p> CHOICE 2 - H, V, VE Chickpea & sweetcorn burger served in a bun with potato wedges</p> <p>Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (Mi), (So)</p>	<p>Meat Option Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (E), (Mi)</p> <p>Climate Friendly Allergens: (Glu), (Wh)</p>	<p>CHOICE 2 - H, V Golden pastry topped vegetable pie, gravy & roast potato</p> <p>Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (Mi), (Ce)</p>	<p>CHOICE 2 - H, V Tangy cheese, quinoa & vegetable muffin served with fresh chips</p> <p>Allergens: (Glu), (Wh), (E), (Mi)</p>
SELECTION OF JACKET POTATOES ARE AVAILABLE EACH DAY: BEANS / CHEESE / TUNA MAYONNAISE / COLESLAW				
<p> DESSERT - V, VE Fruit Salad</p>	<p>DESSERT - H, W, V Butternut and date cake</p> <p>Allergens: (Wh), (E)</p>	<p> DESSERT - H, V, VE Cornish fairing biscuits and fruit slices</p> <p>Allergens: (Glu), (Mi), (E)</p>	<p> DESSERT - H, V, VE Fruit platter or Yoghurt</p> <p>Allergens: (Su), (Mi)</p>	<p> DESSERT - H, W, V, VE Fruity comflake tart with custard</p> <p>Allergens: (Wh), (Bar)</p>

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. Chicken alternatives to beef and pork upon request. One meat free day.

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

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

 = Climate Friendly

DID YOU KNOW
You can have
mashed or brown rice
instead of potatoes!
Tilda



Lunch Menu











WEEK 2

WINTER WARMER HOT PANINI OR PASTA

Choose from Ham & Tomato or Cheese & Tomato, served with tortilla chips and vegetables. Or a Homemade tomato sauce with pasta.

W/C - MONDAY: 11TH NOV, 2ND DEC, 30TH DEC, 20TH JAN, 17TH FEB, 10TH MAR, 31ST MAR

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), (Sa), (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) m/c (Wh), (Bar)	 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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 Climate Friendly

DID YOU KNOW
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Lunch Menu



WEEK 3

WINTER WARMER HOT PANINI OR PASTA

Choose from Ham & Tomato or Cheese & Tomato, served with tortilla chips and vegetables, or a Homemade tomato sauce with pasta.

W/C - MONDAY: 18TH NOV, 9TH DEC, 6TH JAN, 27TH JAN, 24TH FEB 17TH MAR

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

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Climate Friendly

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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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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.

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for the user to draw their Christmas card design. It is located on the right side of the page, below the instruction text.