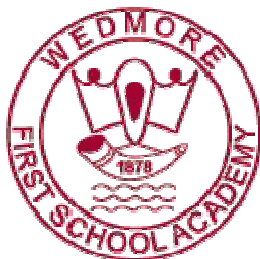


# Wedmore First School Academy Newsletter

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## Worker of the Week

Squirrel	William
Fox	Akira
Rabbit	Rupert
Bee	Harry
Hedgehog	Layla
Skylark	Dylan
Owl	Maddie R

## Citizenship Award

Squirrel	Ray, Woody, Emily
Fox	Poppy, Amelia, Tia, Ruby
Rabbit	Sammy, Noah, Joe, Poppy, Bran
Bee	Elizabeth, Ellie, Aiden
Hedgehog	Amy, Oliver, Izzak, Oscar, Evie
Skylark	Jacob
Owl	Ollie, Scarlet

## Upcoming Events

- ◆ KS2 Show
- ◆ Leavers Assembly
- ◆ Leavers Party/BBQ

## Headteacher's Awards

- ◆ Finn, Ethan, Jack, Adam, Etta, Harrison, Elsie, Eve, George, Ray, Reuben, Freddie, Woody, Sophie-Louise, Millaray, Amy and Dennis for their writing about Rainbow fish;
- ◆ Phoebe for amazing progress in writing this year;
- ◆ Kitty, Imogen, Laurence, Ted, Georgie and Taylor for their rainbow fish retelling;
- ◆ Poppy for her artwork;
- ◆ Joe, Annie, George, Jacob and Arthur for excellent work in Read, Write, Inc;
- ◆ Johnny, Katy and Ted for their leaf rubbings;
- ◆ Reuben for his Roman information text;
- ◆ Annabel for her Romans information book;
- ◆ Fergus, Ellie, Chloe, Emilia, Elizabeth, Rebecca, Martha, Penny, Minnie, Lyra, Evie, Beth, Oillie, Sam, Oscar, Hebe, Hannah, Annie, and Alexa for taking part in the Street Fair Folk Dancing
- ◆ Daisy for her courage in the "Sewing Club Fashion Show".

## School Website

Watch out for our new website which will go live this weekend. It can be found at the same website address [www.wedmorefirstschool.org.uk](http://www.wedmorefirstschool.org.uk).

## KS2 Production – 'Hookwinked'

KS2 have now completed their dress rehearsal today in front of the school and are now excited about performing 'Hoodwinked' to audiences next week. Good luck to all the children who have worked so hard to put on a great show.

Tickets have been issued for the production.

## Lunchtime Help

We **urgently** need lunchtime supervisors.

If you are able to help us please speak to the school office.

Your child **may not** be able to play on the school field at lunchtimes unless we get more help.

Thank you

## End of Term

The children break up next Friday (21 July) at 3.25pm for the summer break, children return to school on Tuesday 5 September. Good luck to all the children and staff leaving us this term. We look forward to welcoming new children and staff in September.

We wish you all a lovely summer break.

## Year 4 Leavers Assembly and Party

Parents/carers of all children in year 4 are invited to the leavers assembly on Thursday 20 July at 2.15pm in the school hall. The children and teachers will be reflecting upon their time at Wedmore First School Academy.

Please return the leavers party BBQ slip to the school office by Monday if you wish to come along.

**Library Books**

Please can we ask the children to return their library books as soon as possible for our usual end of year collect in and audit. Children should return them to their class teachers so that they can be collected by a library helper to be scanned back in. They should not return them to the library as they then sometimes get muddled up with others before being scanned back in. If you have received a reminder for a book previously returned please return the slip stating this.

**Sainsburys Vouchers**

Thank you to all those of you who collected Sainsburys tokens for the school. We collected enough tokens to swap for a variety of equipment including new cones and bean bags, howlers and a new set of goals, which will be appearing in September. Once again thank you.

**PTA Thank You!**

A BIG THANK YOU from the PTA to all staff and parents who have helped raise a fantastic £12,000 this year, so far!

Thank you for donations to the cake sale last week and also to Vicky Sharp and Katie Comerford for arranging the second hand uniform sale.

Thank you as well to the parents who have looked into Matched Funding schemes this year. The PTA has recently been awarded £400 from Lloyds Bank Foundation matched funding scheme. Many companies throughout the UK offer employees the chance to boost their fundraising efforts by 'matching' the money they raise. It really is money for nothing, and our school could double the amount of cash it raises with very little effort. We would be grateful if you could find out whether your employer has a match funding scheme, or if they are willing to match fund any of our events.

A big thank you to the Wedmore Community Power Co-operative who have kindly given a grant of £750 and to the Wedmore Beer Festival who provided a grant of £2,100 towards the school pool. Lots of essential maintenance and some repairs have been required this year to keep it open and fully functioning for the children. Most significantly we have been in desperate need of a new pool cover and we are delighted that a new pool cover has been ordered and will hopefully be with us shortly - ready to use throughout the holidays.

**Dates for Your Diaries**

PTA AGM – Wednesday 27th September

Come along and see what the PTA does, meet new people, ask questions - Everyone welcome!

Friday 13th October - Quiz & Curry Night at the Village Hall

This promises to be a fabulous night of fun.

Get a team together now (up to 6 in a team) and join us for a quiz and a meal from Table 8.

We are looking for companies to sponsor each round of the quiz. If you have a company that would be interested in sponsoring a round, please contact Emily Mulliner on [emilymulliner@gmail.com](mailto:emilymulliner@gmail.com)

**Theale Flower Show - Make a pot with Jan Tomes**

If you are between the ages of 3 and 16, get ahead with an entry at this year's Theale Flower Show. Come and make a pot with our local potter, Jan Tomes, on Saturday 22 July at Theale Village Hall at 2pm. Jan will guide you on how to make your clay pot. When it is dry you can decorate it in your own time according to your choice, ready to enter the Show in September. To book your place for this fun event contact Cathy Butterworth, Show Secretary, by phone on 01934 712775 or email [cb@theconsultant.org](mailto:cb@theconsultant.org)

**School Swimming Pool**

The pool is open after school from 3.30 until 4.30 each day (except Friday's), £1 per child. Saturdays, Sundays and during the school holidays the pool is open from 2.00 - 4.30pm - £1.50 per child.

Keep an eye on the Wedmore 1st School Mums and Dads Facebook page for updates on pool closures during the school holidays.

The Pool is AVAILABLE FOR PARTIES at Weekends; 11am-1pm - £40 for a party - Please contact Sarah Tipping - [bleadon71@gmail.com](mailto:bleadon71@gmail.com)

**School Cake Sale**

Thanks to everyone who made and bought cakes for the sale last week, and sorry if you were unlucky that we had sold out before you were able to! Solution we needed more cakes!! Anyway great news we made £88.70. Thanks again. PTA team

**Somerset Cricket Board**

Somerset Cricket Board are running a 1 day Cricket Summer Camp on Wedmore Playing Fields 9.30 am to 3.30 pm on 2nd August for 6 to 10 years olds inc.

If anyone is interested in signing up their child please contact Scott Chappell on 01823 352266 or [scott.chappell@somersetcricketboard.org](mailto:scott.chappell@somersetcricketboard.org)

**At your Library in Cheddar**

This year's Summer Reading Challenge is called Animal Agents - pop into Cheddar library from Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July to start the Challenge of reading 6 books over the summer holidays. There will be a treasure hunt, sticker booklet, crafts, quizzes and much more.

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August at 2.30pm free craft session (kindly run by the library sewing & craft group) always a popular session so please book.

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August at 2.30 free story session with Brian the Lion of the Cheddar Vale Lions, again please book to avoid disappointment.

New for September - Cheddar's first Baby Book Club, for babies to pre-school children, 10.45 – 11.15 from Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September, weekly. Spaces will be limited so book your free place before the rush!

Bookings for all the above can be made in person at Cheddar library or call 0300 123 2224 or email [chelib@somerset.gov.uk](mailto:chelib@somerset.gov.uk)

**FA Skills Holiday Sessions (Summer 2017)**

The FA Skills Programme - football sessions for children aged 5 - 11

Exciting football sessions designed for girls and boys of all abilities. Sessions will be delivered by professional FA coaches to help develop your child's Physical, Technical, Psychological and Social skills.

Date: August 17<sup>th</sup> 2017

Venue: Wedmore Football Club, (BS28 4BS)

Time/Age groups:

10:00 – 12:00 (Ages 5 to 7)

1:00 – 3:00 (Ages 8 to 11)

Cost: FREE

To book please visit:

<http://faskills.thefa.com/SkillCentres/Somerset/WedmorePlayingFields>

For any further information please contact: Email/Phone: [Simon.Lyons@TheFA.com](mailto:Simon.Lyons@TheFA.com) 07534 949363

[www.TheFA.com/Skills](http://www.TheFA.com/Skills)

Please note some dates may need to move due to unforeseen circumstances nearer the time – if this occurs we will inform you as soon as we are aware.

Monday 17th July	KS2 show 6.30pm
Tuesday 18th July	KS2 show 2.15pm
Wednesday 19th July	KS2 show 6.30pm
Thursday 20th July	Leavers' Assembly 2.15pm
Thursday 20th July	Leavers' Party 6pm
<b>Friday 21 July School closes tonight for the summer holiday</b>	
Monday 24th July	INSET Day
<b>25 July – 3 September 2017 – Summer Holidays</b>	
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	INSET Day

**Inset Days for 2017/2018**

We have updated the academic calendar for 2017/2018. Wessex Learning Trust agreed Inset days are:

4 September 2017

23 July 2018

24 July 2018

All the schools which are part of the Wessex Learning Trust will share these Inset days.

We will inform you of additional days when they have been confirmed.