



## Dates for next 2 weeks:

Week commencing 25 <sup>th</sup> September 2023			
Date	Event	Who	Detail, Timing and Venue
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Messy Church	POSTPONED UNTIL 30TH	
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Information Evening	Yr4	6.00-6.30pm in Yr 4 classroom
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming	Owl Class	2.00pm at Kings of Wessex
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Information Evening	Yr2	6.00-6.30pm in Yr2 classroom
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Information Evening	Yr1	6.45 – 7.15pm in Yr1 classroom
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Open Evening	Yr4 Parents & children	Hugh Sexey Middle School 5.00pm & 5.45pm
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Tempest School Photos	All	
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	Parent Information Evening	Yr3	6.00pm in Yr3 classroom with Mrs Thorne & Miss Low
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Swimming	Owl Class	2.00pm at Kings of Wessex
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>No Tag Rugby</b>		
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Forum - Phonics	All	5.30-6.15pm in the School Hall

### Clubs this term

Recorder Club Mondays 3.30 – 4.15pm  
(Y2 – Y4)  
Singing Thursdays 3.30 - 4.15pm  
(Y2 – Y4)  
Drum Club Friday 2.45 – 3.15pm  
(Y1 – Y4)

### Term Dates 2022/23

Term dates can be found [here](#)

### Absence Reporting

Please phone 01934 712643 (option 1) or email [office@wedmorefirstschool.org.uk](mailto:office@wedmorefirstschool.org.uk)

before 9.15am

(on each and every day of absence)

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Dear Parents /Carers,

We hope you are joining us for your parent Class information evenings next week. There are a host of ways you can get involved to help your children and the school. These include:

Regular volunteering, volunteering at one off events, volunteering for Forest school or wellbeing afternoon activities, helping at the fairs, being on the parent committee, being part of the teams that organise fundraising activities- getting prizes etc, swimming pool committee (to raise funds and sponsorship), maintenance skills (painting or putting up sheds etc)- We will have clipboards ready for you to sign up to help in any way that you feel you are able- all help is much appreciated!

We will also be having Parent information one off forums – the first of which is on Phonics – these dates are all on the calendar of events.

Attendance: Please remember children should be in school every day to maximise their learning. We've reached that time of the year when coughs and colds start to be passed around families so please see the link to help you decide about sending your child to school if they are a bit under the weather!

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Emma Tovey

### Yr3 Parent Information Evening:

### Messy Church:

Please note that Messy Church has been postponed until the 30<sup>th</sup> September.

### Tag Rugby:

Please note there will be **NO** tag rugby on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October.

### **Dynamos Cricket:**

For girls aged 8-11years at Wells Cathedral School on Thursday 26th October (half term). Please see attached letter for further information.



### **Wells Toddlers Rugbytots Experience:**

Tied in with the Rugby World Cup, Rugbytots Wells are offering Wedmore First families a lovely opportunity for local toddlers and children to give Rugbytots a go for themselves.

Our project is open to boys and girls from 2 to 7 years old. Depending on age, these sessions start from 9:30am on Sunday at Wells Rugby club, and at point of registration, we will provide full details on what to expect.

It is a free two-week event with games, tournaments, skills and rugby-related fun. These two weeks are followed by an additional two-week paid trial of Rugbytots and at the end there is a wonderful real leather rugby ball gift for each child who wished to continue beyond that.

There is no need to have played before or tried a team activity, and the classes are accessible for children of all abilities.

#### **How to get involved**

This Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September is the start of the new term, but children can start their trial from any weekend. To book a place <https://forms.gle/JCsgRS78uu9xib1d6> For more information Contact [gareth@rugbytots.co.uk](mailto:gareth@rugbytots.co.uk)

### **School Calendar Events Dates:**

Please [click here](#) to view our Calendar Event Dates for the school year.

### **Pupil Premium:**

Just a remind you that the school receives funding for free school meals and more. This helps eligible children reach their full potential both academically and socially. If you think you may be entitled to this, please visit the following link and complete an application.

<https://www.somerset.gov.uk/children-families-and-education/school-life/free-school-meals/>

### **Wessex Learning Trust**

#### **Vacancies:**

<https://wessexlearningtrust.co.uk/vacancies/>

#### **How to stay safe online:**

We recommend the following links for advice on how to help your children stay safe online.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/talking-child-online-safety/>

<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/staying-safe-online/>

#### **Safeguarding:**

Please [click here](#) for regular updates on the SCC safeguarding website

### **WLT Attendance Policy 2023-2024:**

Please [Click here](#) to read WLT Attendance Policy 2023 – 2024

## This Week in . . .

### Robin Class:

This week in Robin class we have been exploring repeating patterns, using blocks, cubes, compare bears and beads. We have also met Zoe Zebra who is helping us with our number work and we are helping her too! We have learnt some new phonemes (sounds) and are learning to put them into cvc words to read and write. Finally we have looked at our class and school values and have said yes to them by making our own handprints.

### Deer Class:

This week in Deer Class we have been busy learning all about The Three Little Pigs. We discussed different adjectives that we could use to describe how the pigs would feel when the wolf knocked on their doors. We then created a 'wanted' poster to catch the big bad wolf! In computing this week, we went on a technology hunt around the school to see what we could spot. The children were surprised to find lots of technology in the learning zone! In Maths this week, we began learning about the greater than, less than and equals to sign. The children explored what numbers were more and less and then said the equation as a sentence. Keep up the great work, Deers!



### Rabbit Class:

Rabbit class have been working really hard in maths this week learning about the place value of numbers and how we can represent numbers in different ways. In preparation for our story writing, we've been learning about different story starters and different story endings. If the children read a bedtime story, this is something to look out for. We've been learning about the importance of adjectives to set the scene and describe the setting in stories. Our designs for pirate ships are well under way. The children had all sorts of wonderful ideas and what recycled materials they'd like to use. Please start collecting these ready for next Thursday. Have a wonderful weekend.

### Fox Class:

This week in Fox Class we have started to plan our design for our pirate ship which will be made out of recycled materials. After last week, where we carried out an experiment to find out what materials would float or sink, the children have been able to plan what materials they will use for each part of their pirate ship and what it will look like when it's built. They had some fantastic ideas!

### Hedgehog:

In Science, Hedgehogs have been planning an experiment to find out what plants need to survive and stay healthy. The children planned the experiment together and made predictions; we will find out next week which ones had the right conditions to remain healthy, they are on the window sill, take a look! In ICT the children have been experimenting using Scratch, they were able to use the programming commands move, bounce and repeat to make their sprite walk along and stay inside a specific area. They are becoming Scratch experts already!

### Owl:

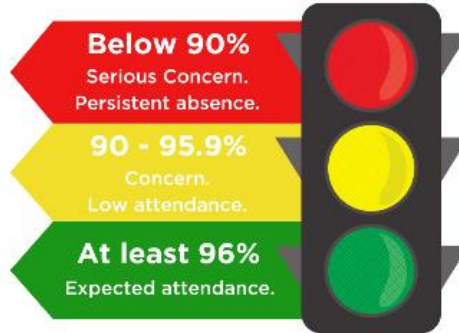
It has been yet another fantastic week for Owl class and they have shown some amazing enthusiasm towards their work. We have been studying prepositions and fronted adverbials this week in talk 4 writing, and are now using them to create our own magical shops. In math, the children have been learning about column subtraction and exchanging 1s and 100s. Our art lesson focused on Roman mosaics and we used them to create our own border for our very own Roman mosaic. They look fantastic!

# ATTENDANCE

Every day counts!



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Expected attendance means having no more than seven days off this school year!