



Dates for next 2 weeks:

Week commencing 9 th October 2023			
Date	Event	Who	Detail, Timing and Venue
Tuesday 10 th	Swimming	Owl Class	2.00pm at Kings of Wessex
Tuesday 10 th	PTA AGM	All	School Hall 6.30pm
Thursday 12 th	Widget Workshop Stone Age	Yr3	Widget Workshops visiting the school.
Thursday 12 th	Reception Parents Evening	Reception	3.30-5.30pm in the Barn
Friday 13 th	Widget Workshop The Romans	Yr4	Widget Workshops visiting the school.
Monday 16 th	Reception Parents Evening	Reception	4.00-6.00pm in the Barn
Tuesday 17 th	Swimming	Owl Class	2.00pm at Kings of Wessex
Tuesday 17 th	Reception Harvest	Reception Parents/Carers	2.30pm- 3.30pm School hall
Thursday 19 th	Harvest Service	All	1.30 at St Mary's Church
Friday 20 th	INSET DAY	ALL	

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

before 9.15am

(on each and every day of absence)

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Dear Parents and Carers

As promised, here is the information arising from parents' information meetings:

On Dojo: You should have had the two power points from your year group's information evening

We will send out the common exception words for each year group

Wellbeing interventions have started – if you have concerns for your child about anything, please see Mrs. Tovey or Mrs. Kent on the playground, talk to your child's teacher or email the school office.

We will send the calculation and reading documents to all year groups

You should have had a curriculum overview for the term – Term 2 will be with you in the last week of term so you can look at the vocabulary over half term

Please contact your child's class teacher on Dojo if you are unable to login on Times Tables rock stars

Hope you enjoy the sunshine this weekend

Emma Tovey

Sickness/Temperatures

There are currently some illnesses doing the rounds.

Please remember that if your child is sick, you will need to keep them home for 48 hours after the last episode.

If your child is running a temperature, please keep them at home until their temperature returns to normal.

Reception Settling In Parents Evening:

The reception settling in parents evening with Claire Tratt & Shelley Kent will be on Thursday 12th October 3.30-5.30pm and Monday 16th 4.00-6.00pm in the barn. Please arrive at the **playground gate by the barn** and a staff member will let you in for your appointment. Meeting slots can be booked through ParentMail.

Apprenticeship Vacancy:

We have an amazing opportunity for someone to join us on an Early Years Practitioner Apprenticeship. Please see attached details.

Activity Calendar from Community Inclusion & Activity Team:

Please find attached the October half term inclusive activities calendar. It is full of fun activities for children and young people who have a disability and / or additional need. Activities include nature studies, seasonal forest activities, inclusive football and a scary Halloween walk! The Community Inclusion Activity team are going to deliver a family trip to Crealey, as well as a Young Person's Flip out Trip. Please click on the link below for further information.

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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/>

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:

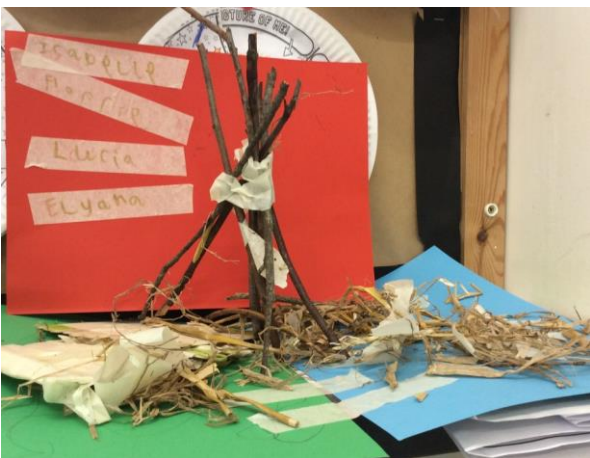
This week the children have been looking at their families and how all families are different, we have talked about them, drawn them and made them out of pebbles. Despite a wet and windy afternoon for Forest School we made it outside in small groups to collect sticks, as a class we listened to the story of Stick Man and created our own versions, we hope you like them!

We have continued to learn lots of new phonemes and have been using them to write the names of the characters from our little red hen story, such as pig, hen, dog. The children's knowledge of the phonemes and writing skills are really improving and we can see so much progress! In our number work we have been helping Zoe Zebra count lots of different objects from her collecting basket, making sure that we point to each object and say the number at the same time, not too fast and not too slow. Finally, October is Black History Month so we have shared stories about different cultures, focusing on Jojo and Gran Gran's family history in Jamaica.



Deer Class:

Deer Class have been busy this week innovating the story of The Three Little Pigs! As a class, we have created a new story idea called The Three Little Bunnies! The big, bad bear comes to the bunnies' houses which are made of flowers, paper and rock. Deer Class have some excellent ideas and I can't wait for them to write their own versions of the stories! In science, we have continued learning about different materials. Following on from our trip last week, the children had the opportunity to build their own Three Little Pig house made from straw, sticks, Lego, lollypop sticks. They predicted which materials would be best for the pigs and then tested them!



Rabbit Class:

Rabbit class have been busy coming up with ideas for a shared piece of writing. They have now come up with their own story ideas for an independent write next week. In maths we have been adding three addends together and becoming more secure on number bonds. Our pirate ships are finally finished!!!! The children were amazing at the way they just got on with their models. Have a lovely weekend.



Fox Class:

This week in Fox class we have done some fantastic work. We planned and wrote our very own rags to riches story and the children came up with some brilliant ideas about what we could add or change to our new story. They have now begun to plan their own story where they will be using story openers and endings; the children have come up with some amazing ideas about what their story will be about! We have also started our new unit in maths this week which is all about solving calculations within 20. So far we have been working on adding three different addends together – the children are getting on very well with this!

Hedgehog:

Hedgehogs continue to enjoy our history topic The Stone Age, they have learnt about the progression of homes throughout that time period, including using the vocabulary palaeolithic, mesolithic and neolithic! They also used various materials to construct different stone age homes. We are looking forward to our Stone Age day next week! In maths Hedgehogs have been representing numbers totalling 100 using 100 squares, bar models and written equations, their confidence is growing in applying their skills to problem solving!

Owl:

Owl class have been creating a step-by-step guide to Romanisation this week, this helped us to understand how the Romans changed Britain and how these changes can still be seen today. In maths the children have been composing, decomposing and ordering numbers over 1,000. In English the children have looked at the structure of a Roman diary and have created some fantastic metaphors about the gladiators fighting in the Coliseum. In science Owls have been busy learning all about food chains and we have been discussing what producers, prey and predators are. A fun filled week for Owl class!

