



Dates for next 2 weeks:

Date	Event	Who	Details
Good Friday	First Day of Easter Holidays		
Monday 15 th April	First Day of Summer Term 1	All	Welcome back

Dear Families

I am looking forward to our Easter church service this afternoon, it will be a wonderful end to a very busy term. We have our fingers firmly crossed that the rain holds off, after all getting soaked previously walking to church we are hoping that this won't be repeated! This morning the PTA have organised an Easter hunt and chocolate treats for the children (see our Facebook page) and Easter cup cakes are on the menu for pudding. The staff and children have worked hard, as usual, and it's lovely to have some fun events such as the hunt – wellbeing is very important. I wish you all a very happy and restful Easter break.

Best Wishes

Shelley Kent
Headteacher

Clubs this term

Recorder Club Mondays 3.30 – 4.15pm
(Y2 – Y4)
Cricket Club Wednesday 3.30-4.30pm
(Y3 –Y4)
Singing Thursdays 3.30 - 4.15pm
(Y2 – Y4)
Drum Club Friday 2.45 – 3.15pm
(Y1 – Y4)

Term Dates 2023/24

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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Clash of the Choirs!:



Wedmore Singing Club raised the roof at St. Mary's Church Wedmore last Saturday evening in 'Clash of the Choirs'. The clapometer went into overdrive with the roaring applause they received. Well done, you made us feel very proud.



Netball Team:



A team of our Year 4 pupils took part in the Netball Festival at Hugh Sexey last week and had a great time. Well done!

Congratulations:

Congratulations to Willow who won a voucher in the colouring competition from Debbie Fortune Estate Agents.



Easter:

- This morning the children have enjoyed the fun of the 'Egg Hunt' which has been organised by the PTA- thank you! We all love chocolate!
- Our lovely kitchen team produced these fantastic looking Easter cupcakes which have gone down a treat at lunchtime.
- Easter Service – A walk to the church and a wonderful Easter celebration to finish off the day. Well done everyone!



An update from the PTA:

Mother's Day Teas

A huge thanks to the PTA team, and especially Liz in the kitchen, for putting on the wonderful Mother's Day tea and cake(s) afternoon(s). It was so lovely to see so many Mother's and Grandmother's attend last week – we and all the children just wanted to say thanks for all you do!

Family Spring Disco

We are looking ahead now to our next event – our Family Spring Disco on Saturday 20th April (2pm-4pm) in Wedmore Village Hall. Tickets (£5) are now available on Parentpay – all age groups welcome – children must be supervised by an adult. The children (and grown-ups) will be entertained by our very own "DJ Neil" on the deccs...there will also be face-painting, games and a fully stocked tuck shop! If you would like to volunteer to help set up/tidy up please get in touch with your class rep.

Fundraising

As always a MASSIVE thank you for supporting the PTA events. The poster that was attached last week gives you a flavour of the ways your donations at these events have helped support the children, and the school, directly in the last 12 months.

Spring Holiday Club:

Monday 8th – Thursday 11th April, 8.30am – 5.30pm in the school hall.

All children aged 4 years and over from all schools are welcome.

We are Ofsted registered childcare and accept all childcare vouchers.

For bookings & enquiries:

Email: wedmoreafterschoolclub@hotmail.com

Whatsapp: 07813 710544

Wells Academy of theatrical Arts – Summer Show in a Week:

'Come and STAR in our fully produced musical'- For further information please see the poster attached.

Peace Doves:

Wells Cathedral have encouraged schools to take part in creating a display of Dove's representing peace, hope and love. We will be putting our display together and hanging it in the school next term. For information regarding the exhibition at the Cathedral please [click here](#)

Wessex Learning Trust Newsletter:

Please follow the link for the Spring Newsletter <https://wessexlearningtrust.co.uk/newsletters/spring-newsletter/>

King John's Hunting Lodge (Axbridge Museum):

Axbridge Museum officially opens on Easter Saturday at 10am. We have a new children's area, with costumes for dressing up (including workhouse costumes) and a number of activities for children. Easter eggs and stickers will be given to participating children.

Entry to the museum is free and we welcome families, particularly over the Easter holidays. Donations are, of course, welcome. Please can you publicise this on your website?

We are very keen to engage children and young people in the museum. After all, they are the future of our local cultural heritage. The building (a 15th century merchants house) is fascinating, as well as our collection. This season, our focus is the concept of Time. We have 5 longcase clocks made in Axbridge and activities about clock faces and time spent by children in the workhouse. Clock making was a significant industry in Axbridge that has since died out. As well as the museum, there is a town trail for children and access to St John the Baptist church.

This Week ...

Duck Class:

This week Duck class have been celebrating Easter. We have been busy making Easter baskets and chocolate nests. We have been practicing our cutting skills when making our baskets and also making our spring wreaths. Tuesday saw us take a trip over to the forest area for a story. We have continued to talk about number 4 and listen for initial sounds in phonics. Finally, we rounded the week off with an Easter egg hunt! Happy Easter from all at Duck Class! 😊

Robin Class:

Robins have had a week full of Easter fun, making Easter nests, chicks, singing songs and retelling the Easter story. We have also been learning the properties of 2D shapes, making models and going on a shape hunt. Have a wonderful Easter holiday.



Deer Class:

Deer Class had a great time on their school trip to the SS Great Britain on Tuesday. The children were welcomed with a tour around the ship. The children were amazed to see how small the beds were but agreed that they would be happy to be in first class staying on the ship due to the amount of food they got to eat! During our workshop, the children worked together to think about how the bottom of the ship was made. Finally, the children dressed up to celebrate the ship laughing by having a 'party'; flags were waved and there were lots of cheering! It was an excellent day and Deer Class represented the school so well! Well done Deers!





Rabbit Class:

Here we are at the end of yet another term and what a fabulous week we've had to finish on. The children had an amazing day out at Dunster castle on Tuesday. This was a great way to end our castles topic. We explored the outside of the castle and learnt about what life was like to live there. We saw where battles took place and learnt why Dunster castle is still standing today. The oldest part of the castle is about 1000 years old!!!! We enjoyed a sunny walk through the castle gardens to the watermill. The children found exploring in the woodland area very exciting. We made easter baskets and chocolate nests. The most challenging part for the children was not licking their fingers. What a wonderful way to end the term with the Easter service. The children performed brilliantly and as always. Have a wonderful Easter.



Fox Class:

Fox class have had a fantastic last week of Spring term! This week we had our school trip to Dunster Castle and we learned lots about its history. The children enjoyed getting to explore the castle ground and gardens and also seeing all the different features of the castle. We have also been doing lots of different Easter crafts this week and they really enjoyed making and decorating their own Easter baskets.



Hedgehog Class:

This week has been so much fun in Hedgehog class! We planned and made our pottery using clay! It was really tricky and we learnt A LOT including how to stick pieces of clay together and the difference between a coil and a pinch pot! They did brilliantly and I loved seeing how different they were! They were really creative and showed fantastic perseverance when things were tricky!

We have also done some cake baking and decorating! Our topic this term has been London and they did such a fab job of decorating them on this theme! What a creative bunch! I hope they enjoyed eating them as much as they enjoyed decorating them!



Owl Class:

Happy Easter! This week in Owls we have had loads of fun. We had a fantastic day on Monday, we created an amazing afternoon tea for the parents. Owls loved creating cakes, sandwiches and shortbread. However, they enjoyed eating it more!

Owls also displayed all of their beautiful topic work and I was blown away by all of the fantastic work. We also created prayers in writing about what we are thankful for. What a lovely last week of term!



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/>

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

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