



Dates for next 2 weeks:

Date	Event	Who	Details
Mon 13 th – Sun 19 th	Mental Health Awareness Week		
Thursday 16 th	Tempest Class Photos	KS1 & KS2	
Tuesday 21 st	Deer Class Tea Party	Deer Class	Parents invited to the Medieval Tea Party 2.30pm in the hall.
Tuesday 21 st	Reception New Parents Evening		6.00-6.45pm in Robin class
Friday 24 th	Last day of school term	All	

Dear Families

Despite being a four day week, it has felt jam packed! I have seen marvellous pieces of art created in the style of Mondrian (parents of children in Year 2, ask your child to share a fact about the artist!) Sandwiches have been made, cake baked, structures created and tested - it's a pleasure to see the range of learning taking place. Teachers are in the process of planning lines of enquiry to start to trial a new approach to teaching the curriculum from next term - children will have more say in what is being taught each term after sharing what they already know. We will be encouraging the children to be more curious and ask more questions and will be providing a broader curriculum - more information on this will be shared with you all once we have progressed with writing fresh plans. In the meantime, enjoy the sunshine and have a wonderful weekend.

Best Wishes

Shelley Kent
Headteacher

CONGRATULATIONS:

Nine boys and 5 girls from Hedgehog and Owl classes represented the school in the Cross Country competition at Hugh Sexey Middle school this week. They did amazingly well and are the 'Champions' and lifted the trophy high! We are all very proud, well done!



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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Mental Health Awareness Week:



MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK

13-19 MAY 2024

Monday 13th – Sunday 19th May – The theme for the week is movement and all about promoting the positive mental affect on moving more. The classes will spend some time during the week to focus on this through various activities.

The Space:

Half term holiday activities available through The Space. Please [click here](#) for further information and booking.

This Week . . .

Duck Class:

This week our story has been the hungry caterpillar and a very popular activity was to use the pipettes to drop different colour onto the cotton pads, we talked about the colour mixing that we could see happening. We have welcomed our 5 little caterpillars and will look after them until they turn into butterflies, watch this space! It has been wonderful to spend so much time outside, long may this weather continue!



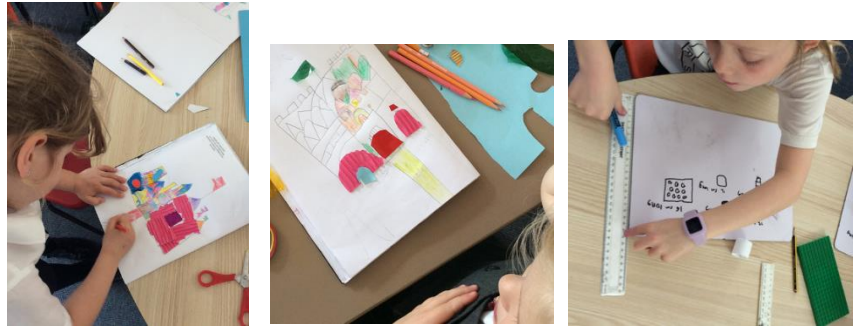
Robin Class:

With the warm weather arriving Robin Class have been busy learning about how we can stay safe in the sun. The children are doing an amazing job with their phase 4 common exception words and learning longer words to read. We are continuing our story of the Rainbow Fish and focussing on specific vocabulary that appears in the story for example glide and sparkling. We have been becoming experts in using our numbers to 10 and representing them using two numbers to make the whole. Finally we have observed how our bean plants are growing, looking carefully at the roots, and are very excited that some of our beans now have stems and leaves too! Finally a huge thank you to the PTA who have helped us resource some outdoor equipment which will help us develop our physical and personal, social and emotional skills linking to the EYFS curriculum.



Deer Class:

Deer class have had a lovely week! In Art, we finished our Paul Klee inspired castle collages this week. We used a range of colours, materials and shapes to fill the shape of a castle. In Maths this week we have been busy learning about measuring using cm's. We began measuring using dienes cubes which are 1cm, before having a go at using a 30cm ruler to measure items in the classroom. We discussed how rulers are a useful tool to measure small objects but figured it wouldn't be useful to use 30 cm rulers to measure the school!!



Rabbit Class:

Rabbit Class have packed this four day week full of excitement! In science we've been learning about plants and carried out an investigation about the conditions needed for plants to grow well. We looked at bulbs and seeds closely, split them in half and learnt about the different parts and how they grow. We then went on to plant our own beans. In English we are learning all about instruction writing. We then followed a set of instructions to make a tasty sandwich. Spreading the butter proved to be a little tricky for some. In art we are still learning about the works of Mondrian. The children used masking tape and primary colours to create their own master pieces. This week in Maths we are learning about different fractions of shapes, lengths and a number of objects.



Fox Class:

The sun has finally come out for Fox class this week!! We have had a fantastic week of learning. In English we have begun a new unit on instruction writing. The children were able to use the new model text to make their own healthy sandwich, they were really excited about this and they did an amazing job. In maths we have also started to look at fractions, and the children have been able to identify one half and one quarter. We have also been getting creative in art by exploring some of Mondrian's artwork. The children were able to create their own pieces inspired by his cubism art, they did really well!



Owl Class:

This week in Owl class we have had a lovely week! We have continued to write our newspapers about the classroom disaster and they are looking so good. However, I seem to be getting the blame! On Thursday, we took our maths lesson out in the sun and continued with our fraction work. We have also started our class mural and it is looking incredible and Owls worked fantastic in their groups

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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