

Dates for next 2 weeks:

Date	Event	Who	Details
Friday 24 th	Last day of school	All	
	term		
Monday 3 rd	First Day of		
June	Summer Term		
Thurs 6 th	PTA Meeting	All	8.00pm venue TBC

Dear Families

The end of the academic year is in sight! After this half term break, we will be very busy with finishing off this year and preparing for next. Highlights will include the Owl class play, PTA summer fayre, getting to know the new Robin cohort and Sports Day (fingers crossed for dry weather!) Starting the new academic year off as Headteacher is exciting, one of my priorities will be to work with the trust and LA to set the pupil admission number to 30 children, meaning that we can have good sized classes and no mixed year groups going forwards. I'd like to invite you all in early in the academic year to share my plans for further improvements and hear your feedback on this, your voice in this is very important.

In the meantime, I wish everyone a peaceful and restful half term week.

Best Wishes

Shelley Kent Headteacher

Clubs this term

Recorder Club Mondays 3.30 – 4.15pm
(Y2 – Y4)
Rounders 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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School Lunches:

Next terms lunches are available to book on ParentPay, please login and book your child's lunches.

PTA Summer Fete:

PTA Summer Fete - Friday 19th July

The PTA are organising a Summer Fete to celebrate the end of the school year! We're hoping that the money raised will go towards enhancing the children's outdoor play equipment.

To help make this a great success, we are looking for the following:

- local businesses to sponsor the event
- external stall holders early bird sign up for a stall is just £10

Please contact a member of the PTA directly or email wedmorepta@outlook.com Thank you!

Messy Church:

Messy Church is back THIS Saturday 25th May 3pm-5pm. Lots of craft activities, a bible story and songs followed by afternoon tea. All are welcome, under 12's must be accompanied by an adult.

Family Fun Day:

The Community Inclusion & Activity Team and Somerset Parent Carer Forum are excited to share that they are running the annual FAMILY FUN DAY at Brookside Academy on the 6th July. The day runs from 10am-2pm and will be packed with exciting and inclusive activities run by our providers for children with disabilities and their families to try out. These include drumming, laser tag, badge making, tabletop games, giant jenga, cricket, ball games, bouncy castle, face painting and more! We're excited that Bubbles the Pixie will be returning with her entertaining bubble shows, so make

sure you save the date! Many of the providers we grant fund for our activity calendars will be there with stands to provide information about their service and support available for children with disabilities and their families. Admission is free and you are welcome to bring a picnic, but there will be refreshments available to buy - BBQ, pizza, ice-cream, tea/coffee and snacks. Please see the flyer attached.

This Week ...

Duck Class:

We have had a very busy week in nursery with our wonderful individual, sibling and group photos on Wednesday, watch this space for some fab pictures! Thursday saw a visit from zoolab which was absolutely fantastic, some of our children were so brave holding the animals, much more brave than Daisy! We saw a giant african land snail, a millipede, a tarantula, a snake and a frog. The children's behaviour during this session was brilliant and we also learnt lots of interesting facts about the creatures.









Robin Class:

This week has been a week filled with visitors starting with Police Officer Matt who was fantastic at talking to the children about his job and how police officers help us, the children got to try on hats, use the walkie talkies and sit in a police car, they were very excited! Yesterday we had the brilliant Zoolab in who shared minibeasts as well as a frog and snake with Ducks and Robins. Looking at what makes them a minibeast or not with Robin. They also enjoyed holding lots of the creatures too.

We have also been focusing on length, doing lots of measuring of ourselves, and helping Zoe Zebra measure the wiggly worms and dinosaur bones she has found out and about, using words such as longer and shorter.













Deer Class:

What a great way to end the Half Term! Deer Class had a great day celebrating their learning this term by hosting a Medieval Tea party on Tuesday! The children arrived to the hall wearing their Medieval crowns which they had made! The children followed instructions to make jam sandwiches and decorate cupcakes and were then able to enjoy them! They were very yummy and it was a lovely afternoon for the children and adults! Deer Class are now writing their instructions for making their delicious jam sandwiches! Deer Class have worked so hard this half term! 1 half term to go!





Rabbit Class:

Rabbit Class have been investigating seeds and bulbs in science, including what's inside them. Carrying on with our plants theme, we made prints in art using different leaves. In maths we've been learning to tell the time in 5 minute intervals past and to the next hour. We also learnt to tell the time for o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to the hour. Please help support your child to tell the time whenever possible. I wish you all a happy half term and a good break.



Fox Class:

Fox class have had a lovely last week of school. We have started a new unit in maths all about time, and the children have been working on identifying o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to. The children have also started to write their very own instructions about how to make a healthy sandwich, they've had some great ideas about what to include in their sandwiches and what method they will need to use to make them! In computing we have also finish our unit on pictograms. Over the past couple of weeks the children have been working on identifying attributes, collecting data, and then using their data to create a pictogram.

Hedgehog Class:

Hedgehog class have had a fantastic last week! In topic we went outside in the sunshine and acted out what life was like in the countryside during the Victorian times and how it was affected by the Industrial Revolution. In art, we have pretty much finished drawing and painting our William Morris inspired pictures and they look beautiful! Miss Low is in the process of showing us what our print would look like as a repeated pattern as wallpaper! In English, we have finished writing our explanations for our invented machines and our teachers have been extremely impressed with our creativity! There are machines to help you get out of bed, machines to do all the washing (and sort it!) and machines to deter squirrels from your garden just to name a few!











Owl Class:

We have had another exciting week in Owl class. At the start of the week, we had a fantastic helper who came in and worked on painting a backdrop for the play. The children had a fantastic time and it looks great! We have also created our own rhyming couplet poem in writing and the children have worked really hard on them. In science we did a small project all about the rainforest or the arctic where children created a booklet to showcase everything, we have learnt in science this term. What a lovely end of term!







School Calendar Events Dates:

Please <u>click here</u> 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 <u>click here</u> for regular updates on the SCC safeguarding website

WLT Attendance Policy 2023-2024:

Please Click here to read WLT Attendance Policy 2023 – 2024

MOMENTS MATTER, ATTENDANCE COUNTS.