



Dates for next 2 weeks:

Date	Event	Who	Details
Tues 11th	Father's Day Breakfast	All who have booked with PTA	9.00am in the hall after drop off.
Thurs 13 th	Father's Day Breakfast	All who have booked with PTA	9.00am in the hall after drop off
Fri 14th	Reception Class Trip Noah's Ark	Robin Class	Noah's Ark back in time for end of school
Thurs 20 th	New Intake Visit	Group A	1.00 – 1.45pm
Thurs 20 th	New Intake Visit	Group B	2.00-2.45pm
Fri 21 st	Olympic Games Day	Yr3 & Yr4	Millfield Prep School 1.00-3.00pm

Dear Families

The children have returned well rested from half term. We have had some assessments taking place across the school this week and next, we always reassure the children that their best is good enough. We also teach the children that we all make mistakes – mistakes can be helpful as we can learn from them. What we must remember is to be kind to ourselves – to learn from our mistakes and move on. We have also been walking / running around our school field in aid of the NSPCC today and talking about keeping ourselves safe, we have been impressed by how well children know how to stay safe online. Ensuring our children have a well rounded education, not just in English and Maths, is important to us and hearing the children talking about keeping them safe demonstrates that the messages they have been given are understood. Have a wonderful weekend.

Best Wishes

Shelley Kent
Headteacher

NSPCC The Childhood Day Mile:

The children have all been participating in the Childhood Day Mile today and have done extremely well, so please, if you haven't already given and are able to visit our JustGiving page and help support the NSPCC JustGiving page Claire Tratt is fundraising for NSPCC ([justgiving.com](https://www.justgiving.com))



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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Be a Chorister for a Day:

Wells Cathedral is holding Be a Chorister for a Day on Saturday 21st September for children age 6-9 years. If your child is interested please click on the link for further information on their website, including a wonderful short video of our Choristers explaining how they feel about Chorister life in their own words

- <https://www.wellscathedral.org.uk/worship-and-music/choristerships>

Wedmore In Focus:

The Isle of Wedmore Society are running a photography competition for everyone of all ages in the Parish of Wedmore. If you wish to take part, please see the attached poster for details.

The Space Summer Holiday Activities:

The Space Summer Holiday Activities 2024. For children/young people living or being educated in the Cheddar Valley Area. Each session is 25 pre-booking. To book any of the activities please visit: <https://www.thespacesomerset.org.uk> or scan the QR code.

Day	Age	Activity	Location
Tuesday 30th July	8+	Crayed Clay - Short Printing	Catholic Church Hall 10AM-12PM
Thursday 1st August	6+	Puzzleart	Catholic Church Centre 11.30AM-1PM
Tuesday 6th August	8+	Crayed Clay - Long Pots	Catholic Church Hall 10AM-12PM
Thursday 8th August	6+	Mud Tray	Catholic Church Centre 11.30AM-1PM

This Week . . .

Duck Class:

This week we have launched into our new topic 'the animal kingdom', with a focus on under the sea. Our book of the week is sharing a shell. We have been having a very creative week with lots of painting and junk modelling including dinosaurs, robots and monsters! Thursday was a day full of painting, we made giant paintbrushes and used them outside, it was wonderful to see those children who wouldn't normally participate in painting having a go, we also did bubble painting which was very messy and extremely popular!



Robin Class:

Here is Robins bulletin - We have had a super busy first week back in Robin Class, the children have come back full of enthusiasm and confidence in their learning. They are continuing to be super stars with their phonics and applying it to their own learning. In our number work we are becoming masters with our doubles and recalling our number bonds to 10. We have started our new enquiry within our topic the animal kingdom sharing what we already know about baby animals growing into adult adults, starting by sorting baby animals to the correct adult ones.



Deer Class:

Deer class have had an excellent first week back! We were welcomed to the classroom on Monday with a Mystery corner of the room which the children had to investigate what had happened! The children used some excellent descriptions to discover that Goldilocks and the Three Bears have been in our classroom! Our investigation skills also came in use during science this week where we had to discuss our key question 'do people with bigger feet need larger gloves.' We had a go at measuring our feet and hands and came to the conclusion that you can have big feet and still have small hands and therefore found that all humans are made differently and we can all be different shapes and sizes!



Rabbit & Fox Class:

What a great first week back Year 2 have had. In maths we have been learning all about position and direction and learning the vocabulary associated with it. In art this week we have been using our sketching skills for some observational drawing of fruit and vegetables. To kick start our topic about Wedmore, we were looking at our location and what Wedmore and our school look like from an aerial view. We then drew a plan of our school. English this week has been writing recounts about half term. The children have been introduced to our new model text 'Jack and the Beanstalk' written as a newspaper report. We planted some beans but are they magic beans? We are waiting to find out!!! Finally, the children ran their mile for the NSPCC so thank you to those who have made a donation.

Hedgehog Class:

This week Hedgehogs have been brilliant! In topic, we learnt all about what life was like for poor Victorian children who weren't able to go to school. We found out that children had to work from the age of 3 or 4 and that they worked VERY long days and did horrible and dangerous jobs like coal mining, chimney sweeps and rat catchers! Hopefully there won't be any moaning now about having to come to school!

In DT, we have started looking at how bags are made and the children did an excellent job of having a go at making their own mock up bag from scratch without any help! They had to work out what to do with the fabric and where and how they needed to sew. We learnt A LOT, the children showed superb problem solving and determination and I just know their final pieces are going to be amazing!

The children also wrote some humorous rhyming poems about what they didn't do in the holidays!

Finally, the children saw their William Morris inspired paintings as wallpaper this week - they all look so good and I think I want several of the designs in my own house! What a wonderful bunch!



Owl Class:

Owls have had a great first week back. We have been doing tests this week and Owls should be so proud of themselves for all their hard work. Owls have also been working really hard on their performance collaborating with Hedgehog class. Owls also made predictions about our new class book the Explorer, it is going to be a great read. Super work Owls!

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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