



'In the News'

Weeke Primary School Bulletin

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Whole School News

Extended Day Update

Our theme this half term is 'Up in the Sky'. Children have produced some colourful and vibrant artwork including rainy day wax-resist watercolour pictures and rainbow weaving. We are looking forward to making kites and wind chimes in the coming weeks and even some green screen weather forecasting! We are continuing with our den refurbishment and now have a fantastic fully-equipped craft workstation and an interactive screen - more updates to follow shortly. In the Yurt, activities have included wood crafts, making fire circles and den building.

With the sunny weather and lighter evenings we are now able to enjoy more time outdoors and had lots of fun with our pancake race across the playground!



World Book Day

The children (and grown ups too!) loved celebrating World Book Day yesterday immersing themselves in the enjoyment of reading and books.



Sports Update

Fantastic Football news: Weeke qualify for national finals day!

Premier League Primary Stars Competition

Our amazing Year 6 girls football team have beaten 23 other Hampshire schools to qualify for the national finals of the Premier League Primary Stars competition!

After taking part in (and winning) an initial qualifying tournament, the team headed to Southampton FC's Staplewood training ground for the regional finals day last Friday. The final eight Hampshire schools battled it out over six matches: three in a league format before three more in a knockout competition. Weeke edged out Shirley Warren 1-0 in the quarter-final before a tough semi-final against Herne Junior School ended 0-0 and went to penalties. At this point, the teachers were definitely more nervous than the children with Mr Weatherall genuinely unable to watch. Three excellent penalties and a super save resulted in a 3-2 win and Weeke headed to the final against St. Francis from Chandler's Ford knowing that one more win would secure a place at the finals day. In the final, the girls played magnificently, watched by the other schools and a host of Saints under-21 players. Weeke dominated the match and stormed to a 2-0 victory. At the final whistle there was a release of pure joy at what the team had achieved. Champions!

As winners, Weeke's girls team will now represent Southampton FC in a final tournament, to be held at a Premier League ground later in the year. Every one of the 20 Premier league teams will be represented by a local school and we can't wait to play against teams from all over the country! Well done Bella, Catherine, Ava, Phoebe, Livia, Alice, Ayla and Lorna!



County Cup Quarter Final

The girls have also qualified for the semi-final of the County Cup after beating Harrison Primary School (Fareham) 4-1 last week. Harrison were a strong side but a fantastic, well-organised team effort helped Weeke claim victory. Team as above with extra help from Lily S.

Regional cross-country

A huge congratulations to Livia and Ayla, who recently represented our school in a highly competitive regional cross-country event after qualifying in the North Winchester and Eastleigh round. With over 200 children taking part, both athletes showed incredible determination and skill, finishing within the top 50—an outstanding achievement!



Spring Attendance



In each newsletter we will share the attendance figures for each class (year to date), in both KS1 and KS2.

Whole School Attendance

EYFS/Key Stage 1	
Ash	94.1%
Oak	94.9%
Holly	93.1%
Rowan	94.7%
Yew	95.7%
Willow	96.6%

Key Stage 2	
Elm	97.3%
Larch	96.5%
Maple	97.4%
Cherry	97.4%
Cedar	96.2%
Beech	95.0%
Sycamore	96.0%
Pine	96.6%

The classes with best attendance (KS1) **Willow Class** and (KS2) –**Cherry Class and Maple Class** well done!

So far this term, of the 389 pupils at Weeke primary:

Children with attendance over 95% = 112 children = 29%

Children with 100% attendance = 172 children = 44%

Thank you for all your continued support

Shooting Stars



Congratulations to all of the children awarded with a shooting star w/e 14th February 2025

Class	Name	Value
Ash	Bobby	Excellence
	George R	Kindness
Oak	Rory	Responsibility
	Ava	Excellence
Holly	Malek	Excellence
	Leo	Excellence
	Leila	Kindness
Rowan	Betsy	Excellence
	Zachary	Excellence
	Olivia	Kindness
Willow	Rufus	Respect
	Ella-Mai	Excellence
	Shristi	Kindness
Yew	Rayhan	Excellence
	Sophia	Excellence
	Deacon	Excellence
Larch	Josh	Kindness
	Daisy	Kindness
	Jessica	Excellence
Elm	Oliver	Excellence
	Amira	Kindness
	Eilidh	Excellence
Cherry	Iola	Responsibility
	Theo A	Excellence
	Reuben H	Excellence
Maple	Elodie C	Kindness
	Jenny L	Responsibility
	Beth M	Excellence
Cedar	Phoebe M	Excellence
	Dexter G	Excellence
	Vera	Responsibility
Beech	Eleri	Excellence
	Isla	Excellence
	Bailey C	Excellence
Sycamore	Benj SS	Responsibility & Kindness
	Livia M	Excellence
	Ayla H	Excellence

Shooting Stars



Congratulations to all of the children awarded with a shooting star w/e 28th February 2025

Class	Name	Value
Ash	Reggie	Excellence
	Ethan	Kindness
Oak	Watson	Responsibility
	Esme	Excellence
Holly	Wilbur	Responsibility
	Freddy	Excellence
	Sophie	Excellence
Rowan	Raphael	Excellence
	Oscar	Responsibility
	Luca	Excellence
Willow	Ben M-R	Excellence
	Florence M	Kindness
	George W	Kindness
Yew	Winston	Kindness
	Theo	Respect
	Molly	Excellence
Larch	Milo	Responsibility
	Sidney	Excellence
	Ella	Responsibility
Elm	Alistair	Responsibility
	Theo	Kindness
	Delilah	Respect
Cherry	Huxley	Excellence
	Theo L	Excellence
	Esme	Excellence
Maple	Elodie	Kindness
	Jenny L	Responsibility
	Beth M	Excellence
Cedar	Olivia S	Excellence
	Kyrelle M	Excellence
	Milo S	Responsibility
Beech	Callum G	Responsibility
	Asher C	Excellence
	Mesom M	Excellence
Sycamore	Ethan	Responsibility
	Henry	Excellence
	Joseph PB	Responsibility
Pine	Catherine	Excellence
	Ava	Excellence
	Bella	Excellence

Year Group Information

Year R

The children have been back in school for 2 weeks now and the sun is finally shining! Last week we read the story of Hansel and Gretel and drew our own pictures of the Gingerbread House. We also found a strange note in a cage in our outdoor area which read 'help!'. We wrote down questions to find out who it might have been from and set out traps to catch whoever it might be. In Maths we have been looking at making staircases using towers of cubes and the number blocks, and we have been explaining how we know numbers are in the correct order. We had great fun this week celebrating World Book Day and it was amazing to see all of the children dressed up in their character costumes. Have a lovely sunny weekend and we look forward to seeing the children on Monday.

Year 1

What a wonderful two weeks we have had in year 1! Our new English topics of Wolves has been a howling success and we have used Pie Corbett to learn some amazing wolf facts. We even met a rather dramatic wolf who seemed slightly familiar... In maths we are looking at numbers to 50 using part whole models, number lines and all sorts of equations! We are thoroughly enjoying our outdoor learning and are becoming philosophical in RE as we question the importance of being made to feel welcome. We had a wow wow wow world book day and a fabulous visit from The Creature Teachers. We can't wait for our trip to Longdown Dairy farm on Tuesday!!

Year 2

What a *wild* couple of weeks we have had in Year 2 after the half term break! The children have loved our new book 'Where the Wild Things Are' and couldn't believe the mess the Wild Things made in our lovely yurt! They have been busy looking at glove puppets in DT as they are going to design and make their own Wild Thing puppets for the Early Years children so they can perform the story. On Wednesday the children practised different methods of joining materials together to find out which will be best when attaching the front and back of their puppets. World Book Day was a great success and we had a lovely day sharing books and talking about them - thank you so much for providing your child with an outfit to wear as it really helps them to be immersed fully in the day.

Year 3

We enjoyed a lovely day at Butser Ancient Farm this Wednesday with the children learning about how life changed during the period when the Romans invaded Britain. Butser was bathed in glorious spring sunshine and the children enjoyed an archeological dig, having a go at spinning wool (tricky!), building a flint wall, and touring the site. It was fascinating seeing how different the dark, smoky iron age roundhouses were to Roman houses, which had glass windows, heating and were highly decorated. World Book Day yesterday was great fun and we loved seeing the superb costumes. The children joined in a variety of book inspired activities. We have completed assessments in maths and reading in the last fortnight and we will share the outcomes when we see you at parents' evening. Have a great weekend!

Year 4

Another packed couple of weeks in year 4. The children have been immersed in our new book 'The Boy who Lost his Spark' arriving on the first day back to classrooms in chaos as the nouka had been causing mischief. We have been focusing on using prepositional phrases and expanded noun phrases in writing to paint a picture using author Maggie O'Farrell as our inspiration. We've built home made switches into our circuits in science so we could practise sending Morse Code messages, begun working collaboratively on Google docs (and realised how hard this is to do when 30 people are working on the same document!) and started thinking about celebrating our character strengths during our myHappyMind sessions. On top of this we've managed to fit in tennis, golf and Egyptian dance, learnt about suffering in RE, and celebrated reading for pleasure on World Book Day - we even managed a bit of Spanish. In the words of one famous cyborg - hasta la vista, baby!

Year 5

We've had a truly fun-filled fortnight! In English, we kicked things off by introducing our new book, 'Hidden Figures'. Linked to this, we delved into discussions about segregation and its implications. After reading fact files about the inspiring Dorothy Vaughan—NASA's first black female mathematician—the children wrote job descriptions for a human computer. Our science topic has been all about forces! We explored gravity, friction, and air resistance through some hands-on investigations. The excitement peaked when we visited Paultons Park, where we really felt the "force" when riding the rollercoasters! We also had another delightful session at Sparsholt College, this time tackling the boulder wall! It was fantastic to see some of the children overcoming their fears while others climbed right to the top of the more challenging rock faces. In geography, the children planned a route for Luke Littler to tour his Premier League darts trophy around the UK. They thoughtfully considered different travel options and created an itinerary for Luke that included visits to local sights and experiences. What a whirlwind of learning and fun we've had!

Year 6

What a fantastic couple of weeks we've had in Year 6! We absolutely loved seeing all the amazing World Book Day costumes – the effort and creativity were outstanding. The children also enjoyed taking part in live lessons and sharing their favourite books with each other. In English, we have been writing letters of advice in role as Verity, offering guidance on how to navigate a situation similar to the one she finds herself in. In Maths, we have been working through our Algebra unit, and the children have tackled the challenges with determination. In PE, the children have been busy mastering their dances, showing fantastic rhythm and teamwork. We have also started our Tennis unit, which has been met with lots of enthusiasm. In Science, we have been exploring how we see things, and the different parts of our eye and their functions. In History, we have been looking at what life was like for the Maya civilisation, learning about their daily lives, traditions, and achievements.

Well done to all the children for their hard work and enthusiasm!

WPSA News

Welcome back after half-term – we hope you had good break!

Coming up this term we have a WPSA meeting on Thursday 13th March. Do come along to hear what we have planned and to have your say – we would love to see lots of you there. We then have our next coffee morning on Friday 14th March – this will be in the yurt (!) and Mr Kirkham will be giving a talk on smart phone use following the event at St Swithun's on 6th March.

On Saturday 22nd March we have our Scoot and Skate event in the playground from 12-3pm. There will be a BBQ, Bar and sweet treats available to purchase. Tickets are on sale on the WPSA website. Kids go free but you need to book their slot – adult tickets are £3.00 in advance and £5.00 on the day so remember to book early.

Straight after the Easter holidays we have the return of the Barn Dance on Saturday 26th April from 5 – 8pm in the school hall - featuring Woodsiders Barn Dance Band and caller. There will be a BBQ, Bar and refreshments as well as the Colour Raffle with great prizes to be won. This was a great success last year so please book your tickets early as space is limited.

Also available to book are the Summer term discos on 8th May, Car Boot Sale on 10th May and Parent's Party on 17th May. Please book in advance to avoid disappointment and to help us with our planning.

If you have any questions about any of these events please contact one of the WPSA team.

Thank you as always for your support!

Your WPSA Team

Christine, Rob, Claire, Rachel and Huw



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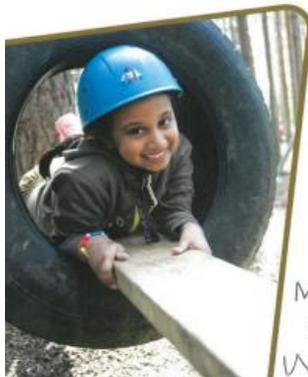
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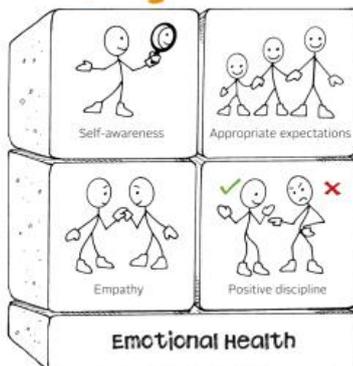
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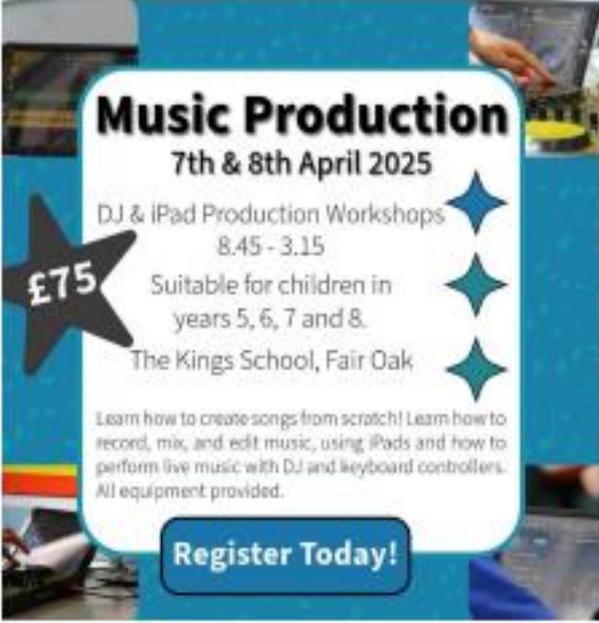
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Below is a video about Music Production.

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For more information: [Holiday Activities - Hampshire Music Education Hub](#)
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Community Clubs/Events

Perform

This Easter, Perform is offering a magical holiday course at **Holy Trinity Parish Church** suitable for 4-10 year olds. Running from **14th-16th April** (10am–3pm), children will explore the timeless story of Snow White - complete with a jealous Queen, a heroic Huntsman and enchanting woodland friends. Through drama, dance and singing, they'll build in confidence and develop creativity, all whilst having lots of fun. At the end of the course, parents will enjoy a special performance where the children bring the fairy tale to life. It's a fantastic opportunity for young imaginations to flourish during the school holidays. Find out more at perform.org.uk/snowwhite.

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