



'In the News'

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Whole School News



Exciting Parent Workshop: Navigating the Digital World taking place at Weeke Primary School

Join us for an engaging workshop led by Papaya on the evening of **17th June 2025**, starting at **6:00 PM** in the school hall at Weeke Primary School. This informative session is designed for parents to gain valuable insights into supporting children as they grow up in a complex digital landscape.

Key Details:

Date: 17th June 2025

Time: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Location: Weeke Primary School Hall

Childcare: A creche will be provided for children aged 5-11, managed by Mr. Kirkham, to ensure parents can attend without distractions.

Don't miss this opportunity to empower yourself with knowledge and strategies to help your child navigate the digital world safely and confidently.

We look forward to seeing you there! Visit to find out more: <https://www.papayaparents.com/workshops>

Summer 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	94.9%
Oak	95.4%
Holly	93.7%
Rowan	94.8%
Yew	95.7%
Willow	96.6%

Key Stage 2	
Elm	97.3%
Larch	96.1%
Maple	97.6%
Cherry	97.2%
Cedar	96.7%
Beech	94.6%
Sycamore	95.4%
Pine	96.8%

The classes with best attendance so far this term (KS1) **Willow Class** and (KS2) – **Maple Class** well done!

So far this year, of the 388 pupils at Weeke primary:

Children with attendance over 95% = 231 = 59.5%

Children with 100% attendance = 50 = 12.8%

Thank you for all your continued support

Shooting Stars



Congratulations to all of the children awarded with a shooting star w/e 25th April 2025

Class	Name	Value
Ash	Leo W	Excellence
	Josie	Excellence
Oak	Peter	Excellence
	Huxley	Responsibility
Holly	Hugo	Excellence
	Darcie	Excellence
	Wilbur	Excellence
Rowan	Cole	Excellence
	Alfie	Excellence
	Luca	Excellence
Willow	Amory	Excellence
	Matti	Excellence
	Sophie	Kindness
Yew	Georgia	Responsibility
	Louie	Excellence
	Oakley	Excellence
Larch	Charlotte	Excellence
	Alex	Excellence
	Hilton	Excellence
Elm	Amari	Excellence
	Rosie	Excellence
	Xander	Excellence
Cherry	Eloise	Kindness
	Esme	Respect & Responsibility
	Rory	Excellence
Maple	Ruthie	Excellence
	Theo	Kindness
	Spencer	Responsibility
Cedar	Milo	Excellence
	Amber	Excellence
	Margot	Kindness
Beech	Gideon	Excellence
	Lila	Excellence
	Alfie	Excellence
Sycamore	Dylan	Responsibility
	Amy	Excellence
	Ayla	Excellence
Pine	Catherine	Excellence
	Lily	Excellence
	Harry	Excellence

Year Group Information

Year R

What a glorious couple of weeks we have had in Early Years. The sun has been shining which has meant lots of outdoor learning opportunities and lunchtimes on the school field! We were fortunate to receive 10 chicken eggs at the beginning of last week and we cared for them in the incubator before all of them hatched! We hatched 6 girls and 4 boys and enjoyed the experience of holding them and looking after them. This tied in nicely to our work on life-cycles and we talked about and explained the lifecycle of a chicken. This week we have read *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* and wrote lists of the foods the caterpillar ate. We also had real fruit to cut up and use in our mud kitchen outside and we made sure we used the correct grip when using the knife. As the weather is warming up please could all children have a water bottle in school and a hat to wear outside. Have a lovely bank holiday weekend and we look forward to seeing the children back next week.

Year 1

We are two weeks in already and we are thrilled with the children's progress. We have all been excited with our new topic *The Great Fire of London* and are amazed at what the children have learned already! In maths we have been counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and practising sharing into equal groups. In Science we are comparing seeds and bulbs and are excited to start to grow our own sunflowers. In RE we have been outdoors creating special places and learning about respect as we start to look at churches and synagogues. The sun continues to shine as do the wonderful year ones!

Year 2

The children have had a really positive start to the summer term, with a mystery box arriving in the classroom which caused quite the stir! The children used their detectives' skills to work out who the trunk belonged to which started them on their learning journey about *Mary Anning*. On Tuesday afternoons, the children are back outside doing outdoor learning which is linked to their science topic of 'living things and their habitats'. The children enjoyed looking for different items to sort into the categories of 'living, once lived and never lived'. Just for your information, we have changed our PE days to Thursday and Friday afternoons. If anyone has any time to spare to listen to our wonderful readers, please come and speak to one of the year 2 team- thank you! **Date for your diary: on Thursday 8th May, children can bring in their fossils from home for a show and tell and to inspire their designs in art.**

Year 3

We have enjoyed some great science learning this week, with the children investigating friction and developing their understanding of what constitutes a fair test in science. The children measured how far a toy car travelled on a variety of surfaces when released down a slope. It was lovely to take the learning outside and see the children trying to find the surface with the least friction so the car would travel furthest. We also enjoyed a session exploring magnetism, finding out how magnets attract and repel each other. In English, we have been reading '*Leon and the place between*' and building some grammar and punctuation skills ready for a spell of story writing. Related to the story, if any children have a magic trick that they would like to share with the class, then we'd love to see them. In maths, we have been working on working with measurements of weight and next week will be learning about measuring volume. There was lots of enthusiasm for Tag Rugby in PE this week, with one child telling me that 'it's just like playing 'It' but it's impossible to cheat!' Enjoy the bank holiday weekend!

Year 4

Another packed couple of weeks in year 4 have shot by at the beginning of the summer term. Rainforests have become the focus of much of our learning. The children have enjoyed learning about the rainforests in our English lessons - following an intrepid explorer down the Amazon river - in our science lessons - discussing animal classification and habitats - and in our geography - as we begin to uncover the continent of South America, the extent of the rainforest that grows there and the interesting inhabitants that live there. Alongside this, athletics has begun, fractions and now decimals are being mastered and we've even managed a little body percussion in music. To top it all off, Maple class have started swimming lessons while Cherry have had their first two sessions of outdoor adventurous activities. With all the glorious weather we're having, it's been a fabulous start to the term - as Ella Fitzgerald once sang, *Summertime*, and the living is easy!

Year 5

We continue to explore the enchanting world of *Pandora* in English, where the children have been immersed in creating their own harmless and dangerous creatures that inhabit this intriguing realm. Following their planned journey as an avatar, they have crafted first-person narratives that incorporate relative clauses, enhancing their writing with richer detail. Furthermore, they have diligently employed adventurous vocabulary, fostering both creativity and linguistic development. In mathematics, we have been delving into the concepts of area and perimeter of rectilinear shapes. Additionally, we have been learning to read and interpret line graphs and tables, improving essential skills for data analysis. Our new geography topic focuses on a comparative study of Greece and Russia. This week, we have specifically examined the aspects of import, export, and trade between these two diverse nations, exploring economic factors that influence both countries.

Year 6

Year 6 have returned from the Easter break with an excellent attitude and a strong work ethic — well done, everyone! In English, we've begun our powerful new unit based on *Harriet Tubman: A Journey to Freedom*. The children have learned about Harriet's early life as a slave in Maryland, exploring the struggles she faced: being separated from her family, witnessing her siblings taken away, and enduring harsh punishments. The class has shown great maturity and empathy while engaging with these important themes. In Maths, we've been revising in preparation for the SATs while also focusing on angles - learning how to find missing angles in triangles, on a straight line, and in quadrilaterals and polygons. PE has been full of energy, with Mrs Towle putting the children through their paces in line dancing, as well as starting to prepare for Sports Day through our athletics unit. In Science, as part of our unit on the circulatory system, the children had the unforgettable experience of observing a lamb's heart dissection. This hands-on session helped them understand the internal structure and function of the heart in a fascinating and memorable way. It's been a busy and enriching start to the term — keep it up, Year 6!

WPSA News

A very warm welcome back to the summer term. And what a great first event of the term we had with the hugely successful Barn Dance. Lots of great dancing from children and adults alike! And well done to all the lucky winners of the Rainbow Raffle Hampers.

We have made the decision to cancel the Car Boot Sale on 10th May due to low uptake. For those who want to there is the Winchester Car Boot Sale in Worthy Lane Car Park on Sunday 25th May where the WPSA will be collecting pitch fees. This was very lucrative last year so it is another great way to support us! We will still be having the toilet roll collection on 10th May as planned from 9.00-10.00 am.

The Parents' Party is on 17th May in Weeke Community Centre from 19.30 to 23.00. The theme is 80s so feel free to dress up (leg warmers, permed hair, Miami Vice sleeves and espadrilles!). There will be a live band and an auction for various lots provided by the school and parents. This is a great opportunity to unwind and meet up with other parents – as well as supporting the school!

Our second Film Night will be held on Friday 13th June in the school hall – doors at 17.45 with film starting at 18.00. The film we will be showing is Moana 2 – book your refreshment package on the website to secure your place.

Then our big summer event is Weekefest and this will be on Saturday 28th June on the school field – there will be lots of great music, many games, BBQ, Bar, Sweet treats – and of course the Colour Run! You will be able to book your slot for the colour run on the website soon. As always we will need volunteers to help put on the event. Please sign up to help where you can.

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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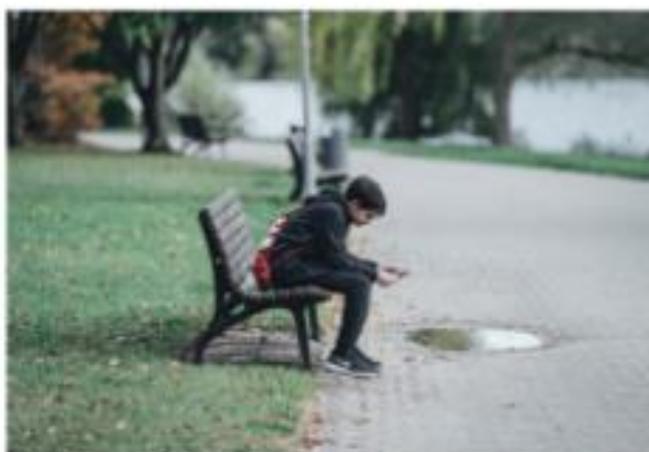
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'Adolescence' TV show highlighted the issues



What is INCEL culture?
Isolation and rejection
Lack of positive role models
Over dependence on Smart phones
Screen addiction
Vulnerability to online bullying
Influenced by negative role models
Toxic websites
Violent behaviour & misogyny

Emotional Resilience for our Children Online Talk for Parents

from FACE Family Advice £24

email Jane Keyworth, FACE Lead Facilitator

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Saturday 3rd May 10:00-11:30

Thursday 8th May 19:00-20:30



Talks are recorded and available for 48 hours after each talk

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done it,
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**Saturday 3rd May 2025
7pm**

At Weeke Community Centre
Winchester SO226HG

Tickets £20 includes a 2 course
supper

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or from Weeke Community
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Taster Sessions Through The Summer
Term

Run by our qualified, professional
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Suitable for beginners

Open to children 6 – 11 years old

Free to members of our outreach primary
schools



10 week
programme



Thurs evenings - 6-
7.30pm



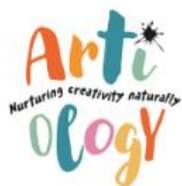
Kings School



Starts 8th May

OPEN TO NON-MEMBERS: CONTACT JUNIORCHAIRMAN@WINCHESTERHC.CO.UK FOR
DETAILS

Clubs at Weeke – spaces available



After school art club

Weeke Primary School
Tuesdays 3.30 - 4.30pm Years 2- 6

Children engage in fun and sustainable, art-based activities while learning about the natural world around them.



Examples of creative projects may include:

- clay modelling
- collaging
- observational drawing
- charcoal/ pastel art
- craft activities
- printmaking
- recycled art
- sketchbook activities
- outdoor art
- painting using different media

Artology Club is booked on a half termly basis at £8.00 per session. Payment is made by BACS to Halli Ormerod. This half term the club will start w/b 22nd April and will run for 5 weeks (5 sessions £40).

All materials are included. Please send in a small snack with your child if they would like one and advise about any allergies/ medical conditions as necessary.



Please email hallimarie@googlemail.com if you would like more information or drop this slip into the school office.

Name:

Class:

Email:



Al's Drum School – Monday's at Weeke Primary School during school time

Spaces drum taster session!

Al's Drum School is offering fun, energetic group drum lessons during the school day!

Perfect for building confidence, coordination, and a love of music.

Suitable for all ages. No experience needed. Limited spaces available — sign up today!

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