



'In the News'

Weeke Primary School Bulletin

Friday 19th September 2025

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Whole School News

Year R September 2026

Applications for Year R September 2026 open on 1st November, closing 15th January 2026. We have open events starting from October please book via the website and if anyone is able to deliver a few flyers advertising our school please let the office know.

Year 7 Applications

Applications for transferring to Secondary School are now open. Closing date is 31st October 2025.

Resident Parking

Please can we remind you not to park, under any circumstances, across dropped curbs and driveways opposite the school on Stoney Lane. There is plenty of free parking near the school. We have received complaints from local residents so please treat our school community as you would wish to be treated yourself. Thank you for your support.

Outdoor Learning: Shout Out for spare clothing

If anyone has any hand-me-down wet weather gear for outdoor learning, we will gladly take jackets, waterproof trousers, fleeces and wellies. Thank you in advance.

Rotary Club Shoebox Scheme

We are pleased to tell you that Weeke Primary School will be taking part in the Wessex Rotary Shoebox Scheme again this year. Please view the 5 minute video which explains how to make up the boxes and fill them with appropriate items. Here is the link to the Rotary Club website which contains all the information about the scheme and has a direct link to the video - <https://wessexrotaryshoebox.org.uk/>. You can also find details of the scheme on our website <https://www.weekeprimary.com/attachments/download.asp?file=441&type=pdf>

Help yourself to the boxes and leaflets which are in the school reception. We thank you in advance for your support for those children who are less fortunate than ourselves. Boxes needed to be returned to the office by 4.00 pm 16th October.

Parent Calendar

Don't forget when dates are announced they are added to our parent calendar. Please check for parent consultations, nurse appointments, trips etc. . <https://www.weekeprimary.com/parents/latest-news-and-events/calendar>

Arbor App

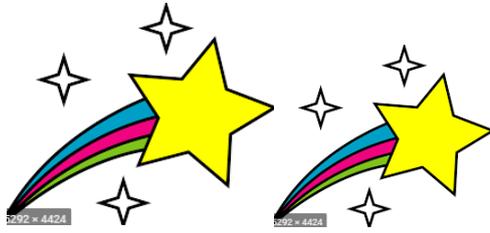
We are now up and running with all of our payments transferred across from Scopay to Arbor over the holidays. Please delete your Scopay app to avoid confusion. Please ensure you have downloaded the Arbor app, all of our school communications, booking of parent consultations, payments, trips and personnel data is all on Arbor. If you have any questions please contact the school office.

School Comms

We aim to continue sending school communications via **In-app messages** some have a link to a document which is uploaded onto our website and can be read with a simple click. Sometimes, if it is a longer message it needs to be sent via email for ease of reading. If you think you have missed a communication the attachments are uploaded to the website please click below:

<https://weekeprimaryschool.ovw5.devwebsite.co.uk/parents/latest-news-and-events/newsletters>

Shooting Stars



Congratulations to all of the children awarded with a shooting star w/e 12th September 2025:

Class	Name	Value
Holly	Bobby D	Excellence
	George L	Excellence
	Matilda R	Excellence
Rowan	Aneira	Excellence
	Macy	Responsibility
	Rory	Excellence
Willow	Skylah K	Excellence
	Douglas M	Responsibility
	Arthur W	Respect
Yew	Mia C	Respect
	Wilbur S	Excellence
	Theo T	Excellence
Larch	Emily B	Excellence
	Orla O	Excellence
	Louie R	Responsibility
Elm	Clara H	Respect
	Tomos	Excellence
	Rufus	Kindness
Cherry	Kelvin	Excellence
	Archie P	Kindness & Respect
	Freya D	Excellence
Maple	Kenshin K	Kindness
	Caleb S	Responsibility
	Lottie H	Excellence
Beech	Darcie S	Excellence
	Fern B	Responsibility
	Will W	Responsibility
Cedar	Eloise	Responsibility
	Sophie H	Excellence
	Maxim	Excellence
Sycamore	James d R	Responsibility & Excellence
	Fallon	Excellence
	Lila	Excellence & Responsibility
Pine	Rudy	Excellence
	Mabel	Excellence
	Kyrelle	Excellence

Year Group Information

Year R We have had a very busy, but very productive couple of weeks in Early Years. The children have settled into school life amazingly well and have had many opportunities to explore their new environment. We have used both the indoor and outdoor areas and the children have picked up the routines and expectations very well. This week the children have experienced the school lunchtime routines and once again have amazed us with how well they have adapted. We have also begun our phonics teaching sessions this week, look out for the stickers the children will be bringing home each time we learn a new sound! We hope you all have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing the children back in school on Monday for their second week of being at school full time.

Year 1 What a brilliant start to the year! We can't believe that it is only the first term of Year 1 because the children have settled in so well. They have adapted to the Year 1 lifestyle with ease and have tackled the full-on timetable with energy and enthusiasm. In Maths, we have been looking at place value and the value of every digit using concrete resources and outdoor space. In English we have started our new text, *The Perfect Fit* and met our friend Triangle who has introduced us to prepositions and the composition of a sentence. Materials are the focus of our science topic in which we are exploring glass, rock, metal, plastic, paper, fabric and wood. In RE we are examining the concept of being thankful which leads beautifully on to our Harvest topic. As lots of our learning takes place outside the children will need wellingtons and a waterproof coat, please feel free to speak to us if you have any problems or queries. On a final note, there has been a change to our PE days. PE will be on Mondays and Fridays, but it would be helpful to have their PE kits for the whole week in case we have the opportunity on a different day.

Year 2 What a great start the children have had to Year 2! Over the last two weeks the children have enjoyed learning the story of *The Little Red Hen* off by heart. They have baked bread rolls and learnt actions to help remind them of the vocabulary to use. In maths we have been focusing on place value; using a variety of apparatus to represent and compare two-digit numbers. We had a wonderful dress up day on Wednesday, as we launched our new geography topic- Florida! The children looked great and had a lovely time so a big thank you for your support with this. In art the children had fun exploring with charcoal and creating different marks almost as much as seeing the mess they made. Don't forget our library day is Friday, and your child will bring home their first reading book this week.

Year 3 It has been lovely getting to know the children for the last couple of weeks. For the children, it can feel like a big change moving from Key Stage 1 to Key Stage 2, but we have been impressed with how they have settled after the summer break. Our geography topic this half term is focused on Spain and the children have enjoyed learning and practising some Spanish greetings with each other. In English, the children are writing a poem based on 'The Magic Box' by Kit Wright, choosing things that are special to them that they want to keep forever. Suggestions so far have been varied and interesting! In maths, we have been looking at breaking up numbers up to 1000 and understanding the place value of hundreds, tens and ones. Children will bring a reading book home today (Friday) which they will keep at home for 2 weeks. We have read these books at school in our reading groups so the children should be very familiar with them. A new book will come home every fortnight. Please return the books every second Friday, starting on 3rd October. We visit the library every Wednesday, so if children want to swap their library book (with the SLS barcode inside the front cover) the books should be brought back into school on Wednesdays.

Year 4 We are delighted to share how wonderfully the children have settled into the new school year. They have approached their learning with great enthusiasm and curiosity, already showing a real eagerness to engage with our new topics. In history, we are beginning to explore the Anglo-Saxons, and the children have impressed us with their thoughtful questions and their ability to make links with prior knowledge. It has been fantastic to see them so interested in finding out more about this fascinating period.

In English, our class book *The Sword in the Stone* has truly captured their imaginations. The children have enjoyed lively discussions about the story and characters, and it has inspired some excellent pieces of creative writing, full of descriptive detail.

We were also lucky to welcome Brightbites, a dental charity who came to speak about the importance of looking after our teeth. The children listened carefully, asked sensible questions, and left with lots of helpful tips they were excited to share at home.

As the year progresses, we encourage children to continue practising their spellings and times tables at home to build fluency and confidence. It has been a wonderful start, and we look forward to seeing them flourish further.

Year 5 Welcome back, everyone! I hope you're all ready for an exciting year ahead in Year 5! The children have settled in wonderfully and are raring to get started. We kicked off our maths with a value for money lesson where the children had to decide which tasted better: an economy or a branded food item, and then compare the costs. Some of the answers were surprisingly costly! In maths, we have begun with Place Value, and the children are now working with numbers up to 1,000,000!

For English, we're using the text 'Millions' as our stimulus, and currently, the class is writing a formal letter to Damian's father regarding his unusual behaviours in class, which has sparked some interesting discussions. In history, we've been engrossed in our topic on Crime and Punishment. The children had a great time matching various criminal objects used over the last thousand years to the respective punishments, which led to some delightfully gory conversations. Lastly, we are pleased to share that our Year 5 children have been buddied up with our new Reception pupils to ensure they look after them and set a great example during lunchtimes.

Year 6 Year 6 have made a good start to the new academic year. In English, we are enjoying the dystopian novel Floodland by Marcus Sedgwick. Pupils have already written a diary entry in role and are working towards a persuasive speech. In maths, we have nailed saying, ordering and comparing numbers up to ten million and are just starting our learning journey on the four operations. In science, we are studying classification and have looked at Linneaus' contribution: we know a lot more about invertebrate groups now. In geography, we have learnt about the parts of a river and have started to apply this to the River Itchen. Dodgeball and football are our foci this half term in PE. Our Year 6 pupils are beginning to take on more responsibilities around the school which is great for them and us. Our House Captain elections will take place after residential and before half term. We are really looking forward to getting to know our pupils more on residential and to all the fun that experience has to offer. Please read our final reminder letter regarding the residential and enjoy your peaceful week!

WPSA News

A very warm welcome back to everyone and we hope you are settling in to the new school year. A special mention to our new year R parents – we hope you are enjoying the first weeks of school life! We have lots of exciting events planned over the year and we hope to raise lots of funds for the school. Planners are available now – watch out for messages about where and when you can get one. This lists all our events as well as other important dates throughout the school year so well worth getting one.

First up is our MacMillan Coffee Morning on Friday 26th September in the school hall. There will be cakes for sale raising funds for this great charity – there will also be a pre-loved uniform sale in the hall so a great chance to pick up any needed items as well as catching up with the WPSA and other parents. We will need cakes for the sale – if you are able please bring your donations (shop bought or homemade!) at pick up on Thursday or at drop off on the Friday morning.

Next up is the first school disco of the year on Thursday 16th October in the school hall. KS1/Early Years disco is from 17.00-17.45 and the KS2 disco is from 18.00-18.45. Tickets are available on the PTA website. www.pta-events.co.uk/wpsa

Then we have our Parents Party on Saturday 18th October – it's the adults turn to party! This time we are at Winchester Racquets and Fitness and have an excellent Indie Disco lined up. From 19.30 to 23.00. Tickets available on the PTA website. Early bird tickets are £5.00 and are available until end of September. Tickets will be £10.00 from 1st October – so get in early people! www.pta-events.co.uk/wpsa

And over half-term week it's the return of the Halloween Trail. Sign up for free to be part of the trail – you will need to decorate your house for the week and display a letter (which you will be given). For those who want to complete the trail during half term, maps are available to purchase and you will receive your map before the start of half term once the route has been confirmed. This is a great half-term activity so get involved! www.pta-events.co.uk/wpsa

And lastly Birthday Book Club 2025/26 is now open. Please sign up by 30th September to take part this year. We are also running the 'Gift it forward' option again this year. Full details can be found on the website.

If you have any questions about any of these events please talk to one of the WPSA team. Thank you for your support!

Christine, Rob, Claire, Rachel, Huw, Emma, Amy, Zoe and Charlie



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PTA events website: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/wpsa/>



September Timetable

All sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long

£24 each or FREE with School Membership

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Recordings available for 48 hours (excluding Free Talk)

Understanding Addictive Behaviour	15 Sep 10am
Supporting A Child With ADHD	15 Sep 7pm
Improving Family Communication	16 Sep 10am
Autism Improving Communication	16 Sep 7pm
Facing Defiance	22 Sep 10am
Anxiety Based School Avoidance	22 Sep 7pm
Understanding Anger	23 Sep 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	23 Sep 7pm
FREE Facing Defiance	25 Sep 7-8pm
Introduction To OCD	29 Sep 10am
What Is ACT?	29 Sep 7pm
Cannabis and Ketamine Awareness	30 Sep 10am
Anxiety Explained	30 Sep 7pm
Understanding The Teenage Brain	6 Oct 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	6 Oct 7pm

Childcare Availability



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Open Event



Year 6 Activities Morning

Saturday 27th September
8.45am - 12pm

For Year 6 pupils who would like to meet some of our teachers and try fun activities at The Gregg School. Choose your favourite combination of activities when you book.



Visit our Open Evening

Thursday 9th October
4.30pm-7pm

Headteacher's welcome • Meet the teachers
Explore the buildings and grounds
Refreshments • Classroom activities

Book now via our website www.thegreggschool.org/open-events

Coming up: after-school author signings, and Winchester Poetry Festival

We have three wonderful children's authors coming to P&G Wells for after-school signing events in the next few weeks.

For younger readers, **Abie Longstaff** (author of the *Fairytale Hairdresser* series) will be here on Wednesday 24th September with her new book *Little Bad Wolf*.

On Tuesday 7th October we will be hosting **Hugh Bonneville**(!), star of Paddington and Downton Abbey, to launch his first book for children, *Rory Sparkes and the Elephant in the Room*.

On Wednesday 8th October we will be joined by **Kirsty Applebaum**, whose brilliant new book *The Strange Disappearance of Imogen Good* is currently front and centre in our windows thanks to a gorgeous painting by local illustrator Zosienka.

Booking is required for Hugh Bonneville's event, but the other signings are open to all; please click on the links below for booking links.

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/pg-wells-bookshop/t-avrpnxm> Abie Longstaff
<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/pg-wells-bookshop/t-krvmnlo> To book for Hugh Bonneville
<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/pg-wells-bookshop/t-lnylmvm> Kirsty Applebaum

Our friends at the **Winchester Poetry Festival** run a wonderful biennial festival, and this year they have a fantastic full line-up of in-person events on the weekend of 10-12 October, with online and pop-up events taking place 2-9th October. Do take a look at their full programme of events for all ages.

[Winchester Poetry Festival 2025](#)

On Saturday 11th October, P&G Wells will be hosting a children's event for the Poetry Festival here in the bookshop: **[Camelot, Mythical Beasts and Riddles](#)** is a workshop for children 7-12yrs based on Clare Pollard's middle-grade novel, *The Untameables*: a chance to write Anglo Saxon-style alliterative verse, create your own bestiary and puzzle over medieval riddle poems. Click on the image below to book.

We hope to see you at one of our events soon! As ever, do drop us a line on childrens@pgwells.co.uk with any questions or feedback.

Clubs

Relax Kids

There are a couple of spaces available in both the Monday and Thursday Relax Kids after school clubs at the moment . If anyone would like to reserve a place please contact Jules at relaxwithjules@yahoo.com

Relax kids Classes

with Jules

Help your child:

- relax and be calm
- feel confident
- focus and concentrate
- be imaginative
- develop creativity
- sleep better

Classes Include:

- movement and dance
- drama games
- stretching exercises
- self/peer-massage
- breathing exercises
- positive affirmations
- mindfulness and relaxation

Give them tools for life!

After School Classes
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