



Governor Newsletter

Summer Term 2022

INSET DAYS:- REMINDER

Governors have approved the following Inset days for the next academic year:-

1st & 2nd Sept. 2022

20th February 2023

17th April 2023

5 June 2023



Goodbye

It is that time of year when we sadly say 'goodbye' to some members of staff. We will be very sorry to see them leave. We should like to thank them for all the work they have done for Weeke and its children, and wish them well in their new roles, whatever they may be.

We also say goodbye to the children who are moving on to their new schools. We wish them good luck in the future and hope they have many happy memories of their time spent at Weeke.

Development Work at School

Over the last two years staff have devoted much time to reviewing the curriculum in line with Ofsted requirements, and due to the pandemic all schools were given longer to develop their provision. When they inspect schools Ofsted will be looking at:

- **Intent** – how schools demonstrate a rich and varied curriculum, not simply focused on teaching to tests or achieving good exam results.
- **Implementation** – how schools provide a broad and balanced curriculum (not just English and maths) and encourage discussion and engagement of pupils, without an over-concentration on outcomes, and with a greater emphasis on the process.
- **Impact** – how pupils develop detailed knowledge and skills across the whole curriculum.

This development work is being finalised and will be uploaded to the school's website during the autumn term.

In addition, the Department for Education has stipulated that schools must use an accredited '*systematic synthetic phonics*' programme when teaching reading. Therefore, parents will see a different method being used in school.

Staff have received training on the scheme and in due course information sessions will be held for parents. The methodology is **very** different, so we recommend you watch out for these briefings. They will help you understand this new approach, enabling you to support your child with this important skill.

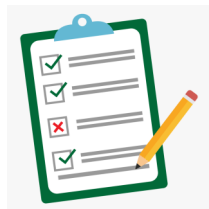
Thank You to WPSA

Governors would like to thank the WPSA committee for their tireless work and energetic approach to fund raising. They continue to think of innovative ways to raise money, while at the same time enabling people to feel part of the school community. Given the issues arising from the pandemic this is an amazing achievement and we are very grateful for their hard work and enthusiasm. The equipment purchased, both large and small, has significantly benefitted the children. The school is lucky to have such creative and committed parents. Governors see the benefit of the equipment when we visit the school, and staff readily acknowledge it makes such a difference.



New Governor

We are delighted to welcome Mac Miller as a co-opted governor. He moved to the area last year and has previous experience of governance with another Local Authority. We are currently recruiting for our remaining co-opted governor vacancy.



Parent Questionnaires

Thank you to those of you who responded to our questionnaire, much of which was based on the Ofsted Parent View questions. We received 127 responses in total. We appreciated receiving comments and these will be discussed, and responded to, next term.

		Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
1	My child is happy at this school	57.9	38			
2	My child feels safe at this school.	63.6	34.7			
3	My child is making good progress at this school.	38.8	47.9	7.9	4.0	0.8
4	The school lets me know how my child is progressing.	19.8	57	13.2	9.1	
5	I feel confident that any issues in relation to my child's progress would be raised with me.	24.8	51.2	19		
6	My child is well looked after in this school.	48.8	47.9			
7	The school ensures children understand what behaviour is acceptable	39.9	55.4			
8	My child has been bullied.	11.6	88.4			
		Yes	No			
8a	The school dealt with it quickly and effectively.	16.7	27.8	27.8	27.8	
9	The school is well led and managed effectively.	33.9	55.4	10.7		
10	The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year.	25.6	46.3	18.2	8.3	
11	The school supports my child's wider personal	26.4	48.8	24.0		
12	My child is enthusiastic about their learning.	38.8	52.9	6.3	0.8	
13	The school has high expectations for my child.	19.0	42.1	29.8	8.3	
14	The school offers a good range of clubs and activities.	32.2	41.3	15.7	9.1	
15	The school staff are approachable, friendly and welcoming.	65.3	30.6			
16	The school keeps me well informed about activities across the wider school.	31.4	57	7.4	2.5	1.7
17	The school provides all the wrap around care I would like.	33.1	43	20.7		
18	I have raised concerns with the school in the past.	41.3	58.7			
		Yes	No			
18b	The school has responded to my concerns	28.3	49.1	13.2	9.4	
19	My child has Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities	13.2	86.8			
		Yes	No			
19b	The school gives my child the support they need to succeed.	14.3	38.1	19	19	9.5
20	The school's values of respect, Kindness, Excellence and Responsibility help my child with their learning and personal development.	31.4	55.4	13.2		
21	I would recommend this school to another parent.	52.9	41.3	5.0	1.6	

N.B. Where the responses do not total 100, they were not statistically large enough to show on our data sheet.



And finally to all our families

We wish you a relaxing summer break and hope the increasing presence of Covid will not impact too much on your plans.