



Wookey Weekly News ***Friday 17th May 2019***



Our stars of the week for this week are: Lottie and Jayden (Chestnut Class), Charlie and Isaac (Willow Class), Millie and Hazel (Oak Class) and Rowan (Rowan Class). They will have their celebration with Mr Marsh next week.

We also celebrated the efforts of our Year 6 children with an extra special 'tea and cakes' with Mr Marsh today. They deserve it for their hard work and for the very mature way they approached their SATs this week.

Please note from our diary dates that our annual whole school sports day is planned for the afternoon of Wednesday 12th June. We hope to see you there!

We took a group of children from Chestnut Class to a cricket festival after school on Monday this week. The weather was perfect for cricket and the children all enjoyed taking part in a number of matches against other schools from the Wells area. Mrs Davies and I were very pleased, first and foremost with the attitude shown by all the children, but also by the level of skill that they demonstrated.

With the great uptake from our younger children taking part in the 'Chance to Shine' inspired sessions at Wells CC this week, and our trip to Somerset Schools Day at The County Ground in Taunton next week, we can definitely call ourselves a cricket-friendly school!

Check out my latest Headteacher blog entry for some pictures of the ongoing work to playgroup's outside area. It is going to look amazing when it is finished!

<https://www.wookeyprimaryschool.co.uk/blog>

Save the Date(s)!

Please note that performances of this year's Chestnut Class end of year production will be taking place on Friday 19th July (evening performance) and Tuesday 23rd July (afternoon performance). With the final performance being on the last day of the academic year we are planning to combine it with our leavers' gifts to create a completely new way of saying goodbye to our Year 6 children. Year 6 families will therefore have priority booking for this performance. Stay tuned for ticketing information coming soon!

We are very happy for children to play after school on the field, under parental supervision, during the summer term. However, can we please ask that children do not go on the field after school on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday when there are clubs taking place, for safety reasons.

It is vital that teachers are given time to prepare their classrooms for the day ahead in the mornings. Their responsibility once the bell has gone is to their class, so I need to ask that if you would like to speak to them about your child(ren) this is done at the end of the school day. Information can easily be passed to the teachers via the school office in the morning if it is an emergency. Many thanks for your understanding in this matter.

If you know of any parents who were unsuccessful in applying for places in our reception intake for September, please encourage them to appeal the decision. We are keen to offer places to all parents who would like to send their children to Wookey Primary School and we are in a dialogue with the Local Authority at present to try and facilitate this.



A number of parents have passed on concerns about parking in Castle Lane recently. Thank you for considering other motorists and pedestrians and helping keep everyone safe.

I need to also remind parents that parking on the yellow zig-zag lines at any time of day is prohibited.

Well done to the children in Oak class who were awarded the Tidy Classroom Trophy in assembly this week. They will keep the trophy in their class for seven days.

Thank You!

A huge thank you to Rosa and Luka's mum for donating some lovely plants for our pots outside the front of the main school building. Thank you also to her (and her children) for giving up their valuable time to come in and plant them for us. They look great and we cannot wait to see them flourish over the coming weeks!



Goldilocks: A fairy tale for the digital age

Talking to your children at an early age about how to use social media responsibly can be challenging. To support parents with this, Vodafone have produced a new version of Goldilocks, written by Jeanne Willis and illustrated by Tony Ross.

'The book is a modern twist on the classic fairy tale and offers a fun and accessible way for parents to discuss responsible social media use with their younger children.'

It can be downloaded for free at: <https://www.vodafone.co.uk/mobile/digital-parenting/goldilocks> or by scanning this QR code:



On Friday night last week, a number of individuals entered the school grounds and climbed on our roof, where they created enough of a disturbance to wake the owners of The Pheasant Inn. We had a large amount of lead stolen from our roof a couple of years ago so we have asked Somerset County Council to come and inspect for any damage / loss this time. Unfortunately, this will end up costing the school, even if no damage is found. If you hear anything relating to the individuals involved in this incident, we would appreciate any information.

Wraparound care changes

You will be receiving information today from Mrs Gosden regarding a change in how we are asking you to book and pay for wraparound care sessions. You can click [here](#) for a guide to using the system. We have just completed a successful trial with a group of parents and we are looking forward to rolling this out for everyone. I am sure it will make things a lot simpler for everyone, but if you have any questions / queries please speak to Mrs Gosden and she will be glad to assist you. Alternatively you can email our new dedicated address for wraparound care queries

wookeywraparoundcare@educ.somerset.gov.uk

Weekly Attendance Levels

Please send your children in to school if you are 50/50 about whether they are well enough to attend. Children often perk up when they are in school, and if they don't please rest assured that we will contact you and arrange for them to be collected as soon as possible. It goes without saying that this does not include sickness and diarrhoea, only minor ailments. Please note also that the

guidance from the NHS states that once a child has been treated for Head Lice there is no need for them to be kept home from school.

Week beginning	School Attendance	Week beginning	School Attendance
4/3/19	98.4%	22/4/19	98.6%
11/3/19	95.6%	29/4/19	93.9%
18/3/19	97.2%	7/5/19	96.7%
25/3/19	95.7%	13/5/19	96.9%
1/4/19	91.9%		

At our Governors meeting this week we agreed the following INSET days for the 2019/20 academic year:

Monday 6th January 2020

Monday 20th July 2020

Monday November 4th 2019

Somerset School Terms and Holidays 2019/2020 Academic Year

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September 2019			October 2019			November 2019		
M	2	9 16 23 30	M	7 14 21	28	M	4	11 18 25
Tu	3	10 17 24	Tu	1 8 15 22	29	Tu	5	12 19 26
W	4	11 18 25	W	2 9 16 23	30	W	6	13 20 27
Th	5	12 19 26	Th	3 10 17 24	31	Th	7	14 21 28
F	6	13 20 27	F	4 11 18 25		F	1	8 15 22 29
Sa	7	14 21 28	Sa	5 12 19 26		Sa	2	9 16 23 30
Su	1	8 15 22 29	Su	6 13 20 27		Su	3	10 17 24
December 2019			January 2020			February 2020		
M	2 9 16	23 30	M	6	13 20 27	M	3 10	17 24
Tu	3 10 17	24 31	Tu	7	14 21 28	Tu	4 11	18 25
W	4 11 18	25	W	1	8 15 22 29	W	5 12	19 26
Th	5 12 19	26	Th	2	9 16 23 30	Th	6 13	20 27
F	6 13 20	27	F	3	10 17 24 31	F	7 14	21 28
Sa	7 14 21 28		Sa	4 11 18 25		Sa	1 8 15 22 29	
Su	1 8 15 22 29		Su	5 12 19 26		Su	2 9 16 23	
March 2020			April 2020			May 2020		
M	2 9 16 23 30		M	6 13	20 27	M	4	11 18 25
Tu	3 10 17 24 31		Tu	7	14 21 28	Tu	5	12 19 26
W	4 11 18 25		W	1	8 15 22 29	W	6	13 20 27
Th	5 12 19 26		Th	2	9 16 23 30	Th	7	14 21 28
F	6 13 20 27		F	3	10 17 24 31	F	1	8 15 22 29
Sa	7 14 21 28		Sa	4 11 18 25		Sa	2 9 16 23 30	
Su	1 8 15 22 29		Su	5 12 19 26		Su	3 10 17 24 31	
June 2020			July 2020			August 2020		
M	1 8 15 22 29		M	6 13	20 27	M	3 10 17 24 31	
Tu	2 9 16 23 30		Tu	7	14 21 28	Tu	4 11 18 25	
W	3 10 17 24		W	1 8 15 22 29		W	5 12 19 26	
Th	4 11 18 25		Th	2 9 16 23 30		Th	6 13 20 27	
F	5 12 19 26		F	3 10 17 24 31		F	7 14 21 28	
Sa	6 13 20 27		Sa	4 11 18 25		Sa	1 8 15 22 29	
Su	7 14 21 28		Su	5 12 19 26		Su	2 9 16 23 30	

Key:

	School Holiday
	Bank Holiday
	Term Time
	INSET

Term dates summary:

Term 1: 02 September – 25 October 2019 (40 days)
 Term 2: 04 November – 20 December 2019 (35 days)
 Term 3: 06 January – 14 February 2020 (30 days)
 Term 4: 24 February – 03 April 2020 (30 days)
 Term 5: 20 April – 22 May 2020 (24 days)
 Term 6: 01 June – 20 July 2020 (36 days)

TOTAL = 195

Bank and public holidays 2019/2020

Christmas Day Bank Holiday
 Boxing Day Bank Holiday
 New Year's Day Holiday
 Good Friday

25 December 2019
 26 December 2019
 01 January 2020
 10 April 2020

Easter Monday
 May Day Bank Holiday
 Spring Bank Holiday
 Summer Bank Holiday

13 April 2020
 04 May 2020
 25 May 2020
 31 August 2020

Anticipated start date for the 2020/2021 academic year: 01 September 2020

The Local Authority will consult on prospective dates for the 2020/21 academic year and the finalised dates will be published in April 2019.

Diary Dates

Wednesday 22nd May – Somerset CCC Schools Day (a group of Chestnut children will be attending)

Friday 24th May – End of Term 5

Monday 3rd June – INSET Day (school closed)

Tuesday 4th June – Back to school

Tuesday 4th June – Rounders Match v West Pennard

Wednesday 5th June – Rowan Class church visit

Monday 10th June – After School Clubs start again this week

Monday 10th June to Friday 14th June – BNF Healthy Eating Week 2019

Tuesday 11th June – Reception trip

Wednesday 12th June – School Sports Afternoon (parents invited)

Friday 14th June – Rowan Class Sports Festival at Wells Blue School

Friday 14th June – Wells Cathedral School Rounders Festival

Monday 17th June – Year 5/6 Rounders Tournament after school at Wells Blue School

Tuesday 18th June – Rounders Match v Ashcott

Friday 21st June – Year 3/4 Sports Festival at Wells Blue School

Monday 24th to Wednesday 26th June – Chestnut Class

Residential at Kilve Court

Monday 1st July – Last week of After School Clubs this week

Thursday 4th July – Rounders Match v Walton

Friday 5th July – Annual Reports to Parents

Tuesday 9th July – KS2 SATs results published

Friday 19th July – Leavers Lunch and rounders match v Parents

Friday 19th July – Chestnut Class Evening Performance

Monday 22nd July – Teddy Bears' Picnic (Rowan Class and Little Acorns) at 12:00

Tuesday 23rd July – Chestnut Class Matinee Performance and Leavers Goodbyes at Wookey Church Hall



Please note that all dates for the summer term can also be found on our website by clicking [here](#).

THE RAILWAY CHILDREN MUSICAL

Based on the story by Edith Nesbit
With Book & Lyrics by Dave Simpson
Music by Katherine Mount, Orchestrations by Teresa Barlow

July 13th & 14th 2019

CEDARS HALL, WELLS

BOX OFFICE 01749 834483 or book online via www.hordernciani.com

Sat 13th: 2pm/8pm Sun 14th: 11am/4.30pm Tickets £17/13 Family discounts available

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