

Weetwood School News



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy five weeks in school and we are all really looking forward to the Easter break. Covid 19 levels have dropped in school again after a spike in Year 6 a week ago. The rules change again from the 1st April. I will update you with these changes and how they impact school after the Easter break.

As many of you will know, Miss Westlake took part in the Deputy Head recruitment last week. Miss Westlake smashed the recruitment and she can now officially remove the 'acting' from her title. We are all absolutely thrilled! In other news, our Chair of Governors, Deborah Chaddock leaves the governing board this week to step down as well as have her first baby. She has dedicated a lot of time and energy into the school over the years and I am sure you will join me in thanking her. We have a new Chair of Governors, Ed Langham whose twin boys left school last year.

British Science Week

British Science Week this year focused on 'growth'. All classes learnt about the environment around school and spent time, planting, tidying and generally improving our outside provision. There are plans over the coming months to improve the outside area further, with a replacement roof on the outdoor classroom, additional fencing around the main gate and hopefully some improvement to the pond area. Thank you to all the donations of seeds and bulbs we had, we are excited to see them grow over the coming months.



World Down's Syndrome Day and Neurodiversity week.

This term we have been taking some time to celebrate what a wonderfully diverse community we have by talking about World Down Syndrome Day, Neurodiversity Celebration Week and Autism Acceptance Week. The children have been finding out about these different conditions and learning how they can impact how we see, interact with and live within our environment differently. And although we are all more alike than we are different, it was lovely to hear the children sharing what makes them each unique.



Trips and Visits

It is very exciting to be out and about enriching our learning again. Year 4 had the opportunity to attend an aqua festival this week. Year 4 have been learning to swim at Beckett's Park throughout this school year. This was a great opportunity for them to practise their skills. The class took part in a variety of activities including water polo and competed against 3 other schools. As part of Year 5's recycling topic, Year 5 visited the Veolia Recycling centre and Energy Recovery Centre in Leeds last week. As well as seeing and learning about what happens to the content of our black bins, they viewed the centre's living wall and used the trip as an inspiration for their personification poems, personifying the machinery.



Parents Evenings

Parents Evenings for years Reception, 1, 3, 4 and 5 will happen in the second week back after the holidays (Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th). The booking forms are now open. Please click on your preferred slot and the teachers will endeavour to allocate you a time within the slot. Places will be based on a first come first serve. We will be holding parents evening face to face in the classrooms and we very much look forward to inviting you back into school again. For pre-school (Nursery) we will be hosting two opening evenings where you will have the opportunity to come and speak to the teachers about your child in school.

Year 3. Tuesday:

<https://forms.gle/YtCJAjyuMdiHy7J96>

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Year 4. Tuesday:

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Year 4 . Wednesday:

<https://forms.gle/3Wj3JskGqfjVAh2y5>

Year 5. Tuesday:

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Year 5 Wednesday:

<https://forms.gle/cRqWYrTsWWfd1n9z7>

Year 1 Tuesday:

<https://forms.gle/PiC26Vsik43gKahJ8>

Year 1 Wednesday:

<https://forms.gle/CzehC5jidY66q4fM8>

Wizards and Superstars Assemblies

We are incredibly pleased to re-instate our Friday Wizards and Superstars assemblies. For those of you that haven't experienced these types of assemblies, you are invited in on a Friday afternoon to watch the assembly. The whole school attend the assembly on a Friday and we reward the children for their hard work throughout the week. We will Dojo parents of children who will be receiving a certificates so you can see your child get a certificate, if you are able to attend. The doors for the assembly will open at 2.40pm, please use the WOOSC gates, and we aim to finish no later than 3.10pm. We look forward to having you back!

Dates for the diary

Date	Up and coming events:
Tuesday 19 th April	Back to school After Easter
26.04.22 and 27.04.22	Parents evening for N, R, Y1, Y3, Y4, Y5
Monday 2 nd May	School Closed for bank holiday.
W.C. 11.05.22	Year 6 SATS Week.
W.C. 23 rd May	Share our learning (Details to be confirmed)
Friday 27 th May	School Closed to pupils – Training Day.
Monday 6 th June	School re-opens for summer term 2.
Friday 1 st July-Sunday 3 rd July	Year 6 residential – Edale.
Saturday 16 th July	Year 6 party (6pm)
Friday 22 nd July	Leavers Assembly for Year 6
Monday 25 th and Tuesday 26 th July	Training Days. (Closed to pupils)
Wednesday 27 th July	Day given in lieu of Platinum Jubilee

As we come into warmer weather (as I'm writing this there is snow outside), many children remove coats and jumpers. PLEASE can I ask that you label all your children's belongings so they can be returned to them at the end of the day. We end up with a huge amount of lost property, mainly cardigans, jumpers, and coats, at the end of the year and it is such a waste! Thank you!

Please can I also remind you that if your child is absent from school, you need to call the school office every morning of the absence unless the absence will last several days such as chicken pox or Covid for example. For the full policy on attendance please see the school website <https://www.weetwoodschool.co.uk/policies-and-information>

Finally, attached with this newsletter is the sports newsletter from the term and the proposed term dates and training days for the next academic year. Please can I take this opportunity to remind you that school PE kit is plain black leggings or joggers with a red t-shirt and hoodie. There are a variety of variations of this at the moment, this is part of the school uniform policy, please ensure your child adheres to it.

I hope you all have an **Eggcellent** Easter break.

Kind Regards

Mrs Ellison