Westhaven Weekly Newsletter



Friday 9 June 2023

Our vision

Valued - Inspired - Prepared

Our values

We shape our learners to be:

Safely independent - Respectful citizens
Inquisitive thinkers - Confident communicators - Resilient learners

A warm welcome back to term 6 to all of you, I hope you had a wonderful half term break, the weather at least was kind and the sun was shining for us.

Over the break, there was lots going on in school with the new reception building at the front of the school being painted, the fence on the key stage 3 and 4 playground installed, additional and upgraded CCTV cameras put in place, fire safety checks, as well as Mr Turner painting internal walls and corridors.

This first week has flown by already, with lots of good work going on in the classrooms and I have enjoyed visiting all the classes and interacting with everyone.

The exams are still in full swing and our year 10 and 11 learners continue to work extremely hard. Also at the top of the school, the DofE group completed their practice expedition, camping overnight at school and walking all the next day.

Enjoy reading the newsletter and looking at the photos, have another lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely



Jamie Peacock Headteacher

Lower School

It has been a fun-filled first week back to school, learning our new topics for term 6. We have moved the school Etienne chair into the key stage 2 playground and the children have really enjoyed looking back at how it was restored at The Repair Shop and sitting together on it at break times.

Middle School

What a wonderful sunny first week we have had back. We have made the most of it in Middle School and taken lots of lessons outside. It has been a pleasure to see groups of learners having their love to listen sessions under a shady tree or having a Science lesson playing drums and a guitar on the playground to learn about sound waves.

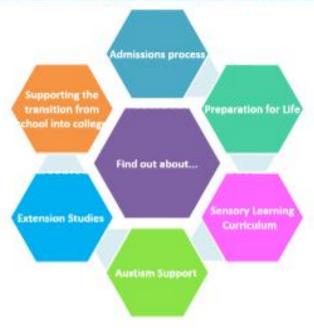
Upper School

Our Year 13 student and Alfie from Year 11 have had a wonderful week of work experience at Bridgwater College in the childcare, horticulture and music departments.

Year 10 / Year 12 parents - Weston College are holding an open evening on Tuesday 4th July for SEN learners. This will be an opportunity to meet the staff and ask any questions you may have when considering Weston College for your child's next stage of education. Please see details below and contact the college directly for further information.



Foundation Learning Information Event



We welcome all parents and carers of young people leaving school this academic year to come in and find out what we have on offer within Foundation Learning. This will be an interactive and engaging event allowing you to meet staff, ask questions and to explore what happens next.

The information event is being held on:

Tuesday 4"July 2023 6:00-8:00pm

The event will be held at the Knightstone Campus, Weston College

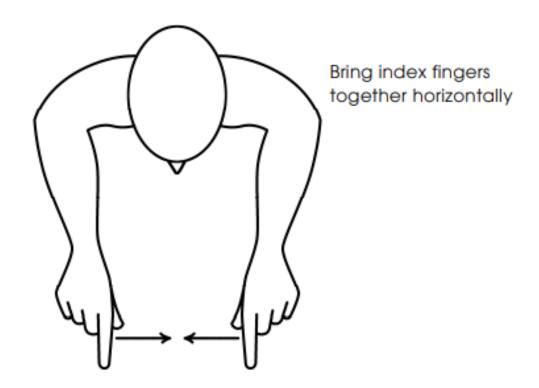
Please email SENDenquiries@weston.ac.uk to confirm your attendance at the event.

Staff in the Spotlight: Mr J Peacock

Favourite Book Quote	"You're braver than you believe, stronger than you seem and
	smarter than you think." - Christopher Robin
Favourite Quote about	"Reading is to the mind as exercise is to the body" - Joseph
Reading	Addison
Favourite Book to Read	Can anything beat the Mr Men/Little Miss series?
to Children	
Favourite Childhood	The Turbulent Term of Tyke Tiler - Gene Kemp
Book	

Word of this Week: Elated

Sign of this Week: Same



Maths Matters:



In Key Stage 4 some of our learners will learn about standard form. It is a way of writing really big and really little numbers. In standard form the distance from the earth to the sun is 149,000,000 km. However, in standard form we can write this as 1.29 X 10⁸. That saves a bit of ink!

Sports Desk:

A fantastic first week back, I can't believe we are in term 6 already! Our sports day preparation is underway. Our learners will be doing a number of races on the track, followed by a carousel of different sporting events. We all would love your support on the day, letters will be going out early next week with all the details. We hope as many of you can make it as possible.

Headteacher Awards:

A really busy week for me with visits from:

- Harry in Cardiff for his amazing reading (with actions!!)
- Daniel R-G from Newcastle with his impressive art
- Billyjo has made some textile characters at home in his own time

- Sammy, Leo and Anthony (Leeds class) for their coordinates work in maths
- Lillie-Ann and Stanley both from York class for fantastic geography research about Africa and Asia
- Lana-Rae in Chester for her wonderful poem about treating people fairly and with kindness

Well done everyone and thank you for sharing your excellent work with me. I do enjoy giving out my Headteacher stickers, badges and pencils!

Westhaven Summer Fayre:



Stall holders wanted! £10 per stall and you will need to provide your own tables.

If you are interested, please email pta@westhavenschool.org.uk

Looking forward to seeing you all there!

Dates for your Diary:

14th June 9am - 11am

SALT coffee morning for Lower School parents and carers

3rd July	Sports Day
26th - 30th June	Year 11 Work Experience week
4th - 6th July	Year 11 leavers fun week
4th July 6pm - 8pm	Open Evening at Weston College for year 10 and year 12 students, parents and carers
6th July (evening)	Year 11 and Year 13 prom at Westhaven
7th July	Year 11 and Year 13 leavers' assembly 11.00 am - 12 noon (students can leave after with parents/carers)
	Last day in school for Year 11 and Year 13 (Year 11 learners who will be attending W6 at Westhaven in September - invites will be sent re: transition days)
8th July	Westhaven Summer Fayre, 11.00 am - 2.00 pm
11th July	Whole school move up day, including 'Meet the Team' after school

North Somerset Term Dates - 2022/2023:

Term 5	17 April - 26 May 2023
Term 6	5 June - 21 July 2023

Next Academic Year

North Somerset Term Dates - 2023/2024:

Term 1	04 September 23 - 20 October 23
Term 2	30 October 23 - 20 December 23
Term 3	04 January 24 - 09 February 24
Term 4	19 February 24 - 28 March 24
Term 5	15 April 24 - 24 May 24
Term 6	03 June 24 - 23 July 24

Bank Holidays (school closed to all pupils) - 2023/2024:

May Day Bank Holiday	6 May 2024
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Westhaven INSET Days (school closed to all pupils) - 2023/24:

- Monday 4th September 2023
- Tuesday 5th September 2023
- Monday 30th October 2023
- Thursday 4th January 2024
- Monday 22nd July 2024
- Tuesday 23rd July 2024