Westhaven Weekly Newsletter





Our vision

Valued - Inspired - Prepared

Our values

We shape our learners to be:

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

Well, that's another term done and dusted. It seems to have absolutely flown by, but it's fair to say there are a lot of tired learners and staff having spoken to many during the week so the Easter break is very much being looked forward to!

No yolk, it has been an eggcellent week, which kicked off with a cracking event on Monday afternoon with the eggceptional house event planned by Mrs Sewell. Everyone was very eggcited to scramble around the school in small groups, working together to carry out tasks to earn their chocolatey egg-shaped treat at the end after being completely fried and egghausted.

My poor Easter related jokes aside, I hope you enjoy reading this end of term 4 newsletter. The staff have worked tirelessly yet again to ensure your children have a fabulous time whilst at school. Please have a look at the wonderful picture gallery, we have tried to include as many photos as possible which gives you an idea of the amazing things that go on at Westhaven from our youngest through to our oldest learners.

Some of your children may be attending the government funded HAF scheme holiday club during the break based here at Westhaven and run by our very own dedicated staff team. If so, I'll see them here, otherwise have a wonderfully, chocolate-fuelled Easter holiday and I'll look forward to welcoming all the learners back on the 15th April.



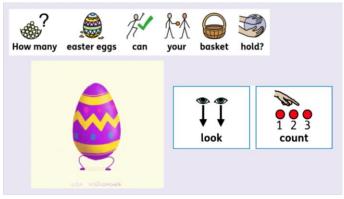
Jamie Peacock Headteacher

Across the School:

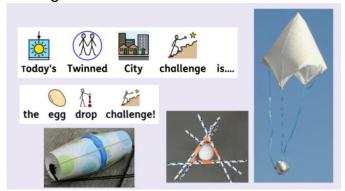
This week has been filled with some eggceptionally fun activities.

Mrs Plume organised a Twinned City STEM event. Learners teamed with teachers from another class and had an eggciting time.

In Lower School, their task was to design an Easter basket. They then had to discover how many eggs their basket would hold.



In Middle School, the learners had to design a vessel to protect their egg from damage following a drop from a height.



In Upper School, they were invited to take part in a zip wire challenge, designing and constructing a harness to protect their egg from damage in transit.



Everyone showed inquisitive thinking, were confident communicators when working as part of a team and were eggstra resilient when their design didn't quite work as they had hoped!

Mrs Sewell then organised an eggstraordinary egg hunt for us all. We worked in house teams to follow the clues and solve the riddles which in turn lead us to the chocolate! Everyone was a respectful citizen and showed their gratitude to the teachers in providing a fun and memorable learning activity.

Lower School:

We have all had a very fun-filled last week and we now wish you a very happy Easter holiday.

Don't forget, we have our Readathon running so please remember to read lots and make your donations online at https://readathon.my.salesforce-sites.com/sponsor. Thank you.

Please note: From term 5, we will no longer have the school budget to supplement snacks for the learners. Therefore, parents and carers will be required to provide breaktime food and drink items, as required.

Middle School:

Middle school have really enjoyed all the Easter related fun activities over this week; we have of course kept up with our learning!

After a shorter, but no-less busy, term we hope you have a wonderful break filled with more Easter fun.

Upper School:

Upper School started the week with STEM activities of racing eggs down a zip line in baskets they had constructed. The eggcitement continued into the afternoon with various challenges on the Easter hunt. The Easter egg rewards went down well!

A busy term for Upper School so we wish learners and their families a restful and very happy Easter holiday. We look forward to learners returning in term 5.

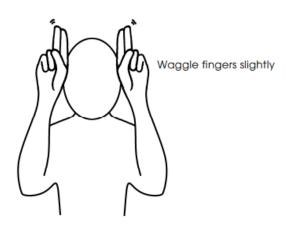
Staff in the Spotlight: Mrs L Plows

Favourite Book Quote	"Don't give up! I believe in you all. A person's a person, no
	matter how small" - Dr Seuss
Favourite Quote about	"You can find magic wherever you look. Sit back and relax, all
Reading	you need is a good book" - Dr Seuss
Favourite Book to	The Gruffalo by Julia Donaldson
Read to Children	The Christmasauras by Tom Fletcher
Favourite Childhood	Stig of the Dump by Clive King
Book	Lord of the Rings by JRR Tolkien

Word of this Week:

KS1	order
KS2	arrange
KS3, 4 and 5	systematise

Sign of this Week:



Rabbit

Maths Matters:



150 baby rabbits have been born at farmer Jones' farm this Easter. She won't have room to keep them all on her farm once they are grown up, so she has to give some away to caring homes that would like a bunny as a pet!

Using the information above, read and answer the questions below:

- 1. If farmer Jones gives away two-thirds of the 150 rabbits, how many will she have left?
- 2. If farmer Jones manages to give away 97 of the rabbits, how many will she have left?
- 3. Farmer Jones wants to charge people £1.50 to take a pet rabbit home with them. She is going to give this money to a rabbit charity and manages to sell all of the rabbits. How much money has she raised for the rabbit charity?

Headteacher Awards:

- Jazmine and Max in Leeds class for their English writing about A Midsummer Night's Dream
- Reuben from Oxford class for his amazing Maths, he has been measuring mass

Sports Desk:

What a term!! Term 4 has been brilliant for so many different reasons but my definite highlight was the dance festival. I am really proud all of our learners for working so hard and reaching new personal bests in all our different sports and activities. Well done to everyone.

This term's 'Sport Superstars of the Term' are:

Lower School – Reuben Middle School – Kyra Upper School – Ava





King John's Hunting Lodge

King John's Hunting Lodge (Axbridge museum) officially opens on Easter Saturday at 10.00 am. They have a new children's area, with costumes for dressing up (including workhouse costumes) and a number of activities for children. Easter eggs and stickers will be given to participating children.

Entry to the museum is free and they welcome families, particularly over the Easter holidays. Donations are, of course, welcome.



Family workshop

Term 5



Keeping safe online workshop

Led by Tammy Chaplin and Joanne Evans

Where: Westhaven School When: Wednesday 1st May March {9.15-10.15}

What to expect: - Talking to your child about keeping safe online - Online wellbeing for learners with SEND - Online safety resources for learners with SEND - Parental controls - Questions

Please complete the following form to confirm attendance. We hope to see you there! https://forms.gle/y4mUmFGH62sYq1CD8







We have some learners in our school who have nut allergies. *Anaphylaxis* (allergic reaction) can occur as a result of digestion, inhalation or any other contact with nut-

based products. For their safety, please can we request that you do not send your child into school with any nut-based products for packed lunches, break time snacks or for any other occasion. This includes products that may contain traces of nuts. With very many thanks for your understanding and cooperation.



Foundation Learning Information Event



We welcome all parents and carers of young people leaving school in the next 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:

Thursday 25th April @ 5:30pm

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















Diary Dates:

Friday 19th April 2024	Deadline: Please can all Readathon money be logged and sponsor cards be returned to school
Tuesday 23rd April 2024	Parents Evening - further details to follow
Friday 19 July 2024	Last day in school for learners this academic year (Monday 22 and Tuesday 23 July are INSET days)

North Somerset Term Dates - 2023/2024:

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 22nd July 2024
- Tuesday 23rd July 2024

North Somerset Term Dates - 2024/2025:

Term 1	Monday 02 September 2024 to Friday 25 October 2024
Term 2	Monday 04 November 2024 to Friday 20 December 2024
Term 3	Monday 06 January 2025 to Friday 14 February 2025
Term 4	Monday 24 February 2025 to Friday 04 April 2025
Term 5	Tuesday 22 April 2025 to Friday 23 May 2025
Term 6	Monday 02 June 2025 to Tuesday 22 July 2025

Bank Holidays (school closed to all pupils) - 2024/2025:

May Day Bank Holiday Monday 05 May 2025

Westhaven INSET Days (school closed to all learners) - 2024/25:

- Monday 2nd September 2024
- Tuesday 3rd September 2024
- Friday 8th November 2024
- Monday 6th January 2025
- Monday 21st July 2025
- Tuesday 22nd July 2025