

# Westhaven Weekly Newsletter

Friday 10 May 2024



## Our vision

Valued – Inspired – Prepared

## Our values

We shape our learners to be:

Safely independent – Respectful citizens

Inquisitive thinkers – Confident communicators – Resilient learners

This four-day week has flown by so quickly, and we have finally experienced some long-awaited sunshine too, I hope you have managed to get out and enjoy it (it may not last long!). The school always looks fantastic at this time of year, with the flowers and plants in full bloom both inside and outside the glasshouses. Don't forget everything we grow is for sale, so do bring your purses when you pop in!

Please could I remind those of you that bring your children to school that the gates open at 8:30 am and it is recommended that you aim to arrive by no later than 8:40 am as lessons begin promptly at 8:45 am. Your child will be marked as late in the register after 8:45 am and then as an unauthorised absence after 9.00 am (unless you have informed us of the absence).

I also wanted to remind you all that we offer a free breakfast club, which is available to any and all children that wish to pop along and enjoy a selection of toast, cereals, fruit juice and bagels between 8:30 am and 8:45 am. We do not charge for this service but we do rely on parental donations, so if you are able to support us we would be very grateful.

I wish you all a lovely weekend,



**Jamie Peacock**  
Headteacher

## Across the School:

Secondary School Council have been busy helping with the planning of their new playground spaces. They have been present at two business meetings over the last couple of weeks and have represented the school and their peers extremely well. They have asked thoughtful questions and have sought their peers' desires and opinions on the plans, which has had a direct impact on the equipment we are planning for.



This is to certify that by reading for fun the pupils of

**Westhaven School**

have raised an amazing

**£20.00**

By completing your sponsored read you've helped us bring the magic of books and stories to children in hospital.

**Well done & THANK YOU!**

*Justine Daniels*  
Justine Daniels,  
Read for Good CEO

*Cressida Conell*  
Cressida Cowell MBE,  
Author & Read for Good Patron



# Testimonial

This testimonial acknowledges that

**Mrs Netto**

has completed Read for Good's sponsored read, motivated pupils to read for pleasure and raised money to bring the magic of books and stories to children in hospitals across the UK.

**Thank you for your wonderful achievement!**

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readforgood.org

## Lower School:

Oxford class had a wonderful visit to the Secret World Wildlife Rescue Centre this week. They enjoyed seeing the many species and learning all about how the staff and volunteers take care of them. We were extremely proud of their behaviour, showing the Westhaven Way at all times.

With the warmer weather approaching, please remember to send your child in with a water bottle and suitable clothing (and sun cream if preferred) to protect them from the sun's rays.

### Middle School:

It has been delightful to have finally had some warmer weather. I always love this time of year when learners venture outside for love to listen or sensory circuits, or even quite often Science. The SMSC theme of the week is Mental Health Awareness week which (is actually next week) is looking at movement and how it helps our mental health.

This week I have also seen learners discover the saturation point of salt and water at different temperatures (so if you see them adding numerous teaspoons of sugar to a cup of tea this might be why!). It is wonderful to see our learners so active and engaged in their experiments.

### Upper School:

Whilst the week may have been shorter due to the Bank Holiday Monday, learners have been busy with the commencement of the exam period. Year 11 Art and Photography learners demonstrated wonderful creativity and resilience under exam conditions all day. Whilst GCSE Science learners undertook the first of six science exams.

W6 enjoyed a sunny day out at Burnham-on-Sea travelling on a double decker bus.

The appearance of the sunshine has encouraged learners to sit outside (in their dedicated area) to have packed lunches, making a real sociable experience.

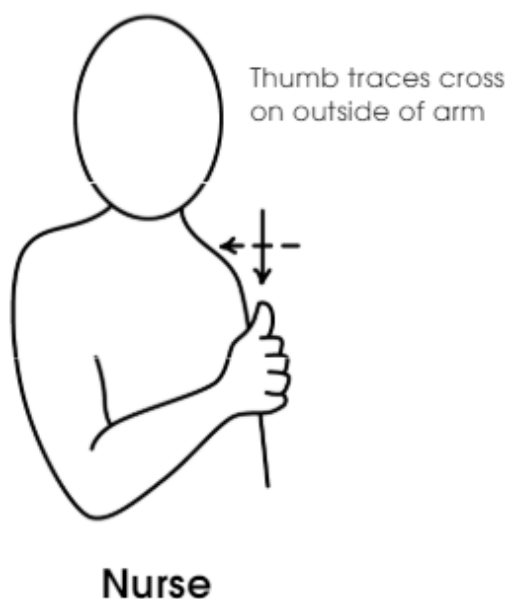
### Staff in the Spotlight: Miss I Linham

<b>Favourite Book Quote</b>	<i>"She never seemed truly happy, she just seemed to be passing time while she waited for something else. She was tired of existing; she just wanted to live"</i>
<b>Favourite Quote about Reading</b>	<i>'The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go' - Dr. Seuss</i>
<b>Favourite Book to Read to Children</b>	Zog and the flying doctors - Julia Donaldson
<b>Favourite Childhood Book</b>	The Midnight Unicorn - Neil Reed





### Word of this Week:

KS1	speed
KS2	instantaneous
KS3, 4 and 5	posthaste

## Sign of this Week:



## Maths Matters:

Problem One	Problem Two	Problem Three
<p>Max has 8 marbles.</p>  <p>Jo has 4 marbles.</p>  <p>How many marbles do they have altogether?</p>	<p>A cake costs twice as much as a drink.</p>   <p>The total cost of a cake and a drink is £6</p> <p>How much does a cake cost?</p>	<p>The value of a car decreases by 25%.</p> <p>The value of the car is now £4,992</p> <p>What was the value of the car before the decrease?</p>

## Headteacher Awards:

- Harry in Plymouth class for his wonderful Maths work
- Jack from Plymouth class for his fantastic Geography work
- Billyjo from Truro for his English work
- Logan from Exeter and Leo from Bristol for their Art work

## Sports Desk:

Firstly, I would like to share some exciting news with you – learners are going to be bringing home a letter for our Staff Vs Learners handball match that is happening after school on

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May. We would love as many of you to attend and support our event. During our previous event learners have loved being able to showcase their skills to their loved ones.

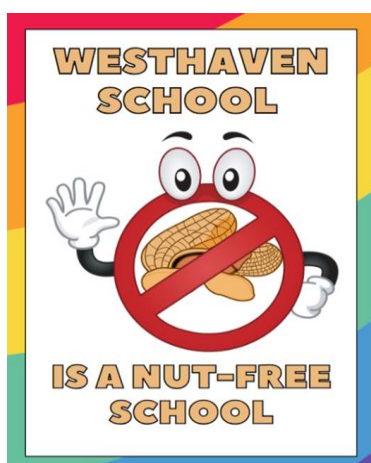
Also, a big thank you to everyone who has supported our Athlete Event next week, please do keep sharing the message and if you haven't yet, and are able to, please donate. Thank you.

We have loved the sunshine this week and we have been moving into cricket and football games across the school, there's been some fabulous skill on show in both sports.

Last week's trophy winners were:

- Lower School – Oxford
- Middle and Upper School – Manchester and W6

Well done to all classes.



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.





# Careers/Transitions Event

Friday 24th May 2024 10am - 1pm  
Conference room 2 & 4 - The Campus



Attending



Sally Matthews - Lead social worker - Adult Transition Team

Jenny Morgan - Dept. Work and Pensions

Sarah Bishop

Jane Franklin

Sam Gist



Kenton Mee



Galvin Hutchinson - North Somerset Autism Strategy

Please join us for our careers/transition event.

All SEND learners/parents/carers from Baytree, Westhaven and Ravenswood year 8 and above are welcome.

An opportunity to meet and talk to colleges, providers and others.

Tea, coffee and cakes provided by Baytree school POST16

Baytree School

The Campus  
Highlands Lane  
Weston super Mare  
BS22 7DN

For further information contact.....  
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### Diary Dates:

Thursday 16 June 2024	<b>Wear It Green Day</b> for Mental Health Awareness Week
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 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
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## Westhaven INSET Days (school closed to all learners) - 2024/25:

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