



WOOKEY BI-WEEKLY

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Stars of the Week

Reception: Ivy

Year 1: Laney

Year 2: Rafe

Year 3: Flo

Year 4: Crystal

Year 5: Honey

Year 6: Michael

Excellence Star: Isaac

Headteacher's postcard:



Arlo

UPCOMING EVENTS

Click for whole calendar

Monday 3rd - First day of Autumn 2

w/c 3rd - IEP Parent Meetings

Friday 7th - Oak Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole in-school workshop

Friday 14th - Children in Need - non-uniform day (wear something spotty)

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Visit from Tessa Munt MP



Academic Spotlight

Year 6 at the Wells Festival of Literature

Year 6 were invited to Wells Festival of Literature to listen to multiple award-winning author Sam Sedgman talk about his new book 'The Forbidden Atlas'. Sam explained that when researching his books, he often got tempted down rabbit holes of information.

For example, did you know that an 'olf' is a measurement of how much humans smell? Nor did we! Year 6 were immaculately behaved, asked lots of insightful questions and even got to chat to Sam 1:1 while they got their books signed afterwards.

Message from the headteacher

I have had so many reasons to be proud of this school this week, there is genuinely not room to list them all: overheard conversations on the walking bus about having to work at something to improve; kind gestures offered to injured friends; generous comments about the excellent work of others.

We had another visit from the Local Authority who were again impressed with all of the improvements we have made and the engagement of our children. They used words like 'transformed' and 'inclusive' and referred to our high expectations and the children's own obvious desire to do their very best. Thank you for all you do in supporting us as we continue to aim high.

Similar comments were made by Tessa Munt MP when she joined us this morning. She spoke with governors about the funding issues we are facing and reinforced their thanks for the hard work staff have put in to make the changes needed. She spoke to the whole school in an assembly, where the children learned about her role and how parliament works. She began to take questions but there were so many, and so many ideas, that we had to send the children away to write to her instead. Year 1 and 2 had already done so before she left, with writing of such a high quality in terms of composition, spelling and handwriting we were both blown away. Following the assembly, Tessa spoke to Chestnut Class who had some prepared and some spontaneous questions for her. They discussed local concerns, how she became an MP and learnt that the total length of the rivers in Somerset is from here to Singapore! We are so grateful to Tessa for the generous amount of time she gave to us today and look forward to welcoming her back again later this year. She even invited Chestnut to visit her in Parliament! Watch this space.....

In the meantime, have a fantastic half term and we look forward to seeing you again on Monday 3rd November.

Teacher Feature

Harvest in Oak Class

Oak Class have been learning about Harvest and why this is such an important time in the year. They have been working hard and preparing for a performance for this year's Harvest Festival to give thanks to those in our community who work tirelessly to put food on our tables.

The festival itself was wonderful, with songs of old and new. It was lovely to see some of the audience singing along to the timeless 'Cauliflowers Fluffy!' We had a great turnout so the audience was rather large! A few children definitely had a case of the 'butterflies', but regardless, they all got involved and joined in with this year's celebrations with confidence and resilience.

The festival was a really proud moment for the whole class and I want to say a big thank you to all the children for working so hard and engaging so well with the performance. Thank you also to everyone who came along to support the children and for the generous food donations. These will be donated to a local food bank to support those who are in need.



Rowan Class

The children in Rowan class have been celebrating their learning on castles from this term by sharing models they have made at home as part of their voluntary home learning project. We have been so impressed with the effort they have put into designing and creating them, and how many amazing facts they have remembered about the parts of the castles and their purposes.



Events

Chestnut Rowing Experience



Millfield and some very sporty Year 10s joined Chestnut to demonstrate how to use their rowing machines. The class competed in an exciting rowing relay, learning the physical skills, but also focusing on resilience and teamwork.

WSA News



The WSA have two exciting events coming up; a cake sale (details above) and the annual Christmas Fayre (more information to follow in the coming weeks). Keep your eyes peeled!



OPAL Play

Photos and ideas from our play ambassadors

What a muddy week it's been! We've definitely been able to test out whether our new welly storage and changing area is working! We've also had a lot of fun making mud pies and making dens in the shelter of the Willow tunnel. Please remember to name wellies and 'over-clothing' so it doesn't get mixed up with the spares!

Thank you for all of your generous donations using the Amazon wishlist set up by the WSA. Here is the [link](#) if you would like to donate anything.



Attendance headlines



Rowan
92%



Oak
97%



Willow
97%



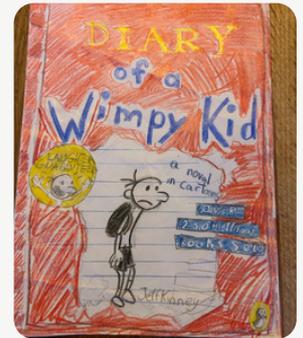
Chestnut
95.8%



Whole School
96.1%



National (primaries)
95.71%



Front Cover Reading Challenge

We are always blown away by the effort the children go to with any challenge we set them. However, the quality of work the children have produced for this Reading Challenge is quite amazing. We had a whopping 33 entries from across the school, which is incredible.

At the beginning of the term, Mrs Fisher challenged the children to see if they could fill the library with their beautiful art work to recommend books and they have certainly stepped up to the mark! Well done all!



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Designated Safeguarding Lead - Mrs Laurie Davies
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads - Miss Jess Main and Miss Ellie Furner
Safeguarding governor - Mrs Alyson Mair

Wookey Primary School

Dates 2025-26

SEPTEMBER 25

Friday 19th - Circus Day and Open Classrooms (timing TBC)

Saturday 20th - OPAL volunteering

Wednesday 24th - Phonics workshop for pre-school-year 2 from 3.20pm

Friday 26th - Chestnut to Puxton Park

Saturday 27th - postponed summer fayre

Tuesday 30th - Cross Country event Y3-6

OCTOBER 25

Friday 10th October - World Mental Health Day (wear yellow)

w/c 13th - Parent Teacher Meetings

Tuesday 21st - Oak Class Harvest Event first thing for parents (9am start)

Tuesday 21st - Wells Literature Festival for Y6

Thursday 23rd October - Halloween Disco Date at Henton Hall

Friday 24th October - Last day of half term

NOVEMBER 25

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Date TBC - MHST parent workshop

DECEMBER 25

Friday 5th - WSA Christmas Fayre

Wednesday 17th - Christmas Lunch and Rowan Class Nativity. Drop off all children at The Church Hall.

Friday 19th - Last day of autumn term

JANUARY 26

Monday 5th - INSET Day - No Children in School

Tuesday 6th - First Day of spring term

FEBRUARY 26

Friday 6th - Number Day (details TBC)

w/c 9th - Mental Health Week

w/c 9th - Parent Teacher Meetings

Friday 13th - Last day of half term

Monday 23rd - First day of spring 2

MARCH 26

Thursday 5th - World Book Day (theme TBC)

Friday 13th - Comic Relief

APRIL 26

Thursday 2nd - Willow Class Easter Event and last day of spring term

Monday 20th - First day of summer term

Thursday 30th - Bikeability Day 1

MAY 26

Friday 1st - Bikeability Day 2

w/c 11th - SATS Week

Friday 22nd - Last day of half term

JUNE 26

Monday 1st - First Day of summer 2

Saturday 6th - Summer Fayre

w/c 8th - Chestnut Class Play

Thursday 18th - Sports Day

Wednesday 24th - Wookey Fest

Friday 26th - INSET Day - No Children in School

Monday 29th - INSET Days

JULY 26

Thursday 2nd - Sports Day Back up day

Friday 3rd - Sunday 5th - Chestnut Residential PGL Barton Hall

Wednesday 8th - Teddy Bears Picnic

Tuesday 14th - Enterprise Afternoon

Tuesday 21st - Leaver's lunch and rounders from 1pm

Wednesday 22nd - Last day of school year

PUMPKINS, PETALS AND PIZZA AT THE FARM

TICKETS ON SALE VIA EVENTBRITE SEARCH- WEDMORE VILLAGE FARM

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