

Our vision

Valued – Inspired – Prepared

Our values

We shape our learners to be:

Safely independent – Respectful citizens

Inquisitive thinkers – Confident communicators – Resilient learners

Some wonderful news, I am delighted to let you know that Miss Tammy Chaplin will be the new Assistant Head Lower School from September. She succeeds Mrs Sarah Netto who will be leaving us at the end of this academic year to undertake her first headship. Miss Chaplin has been at Westhaven for many years now, she is extremely talented and well-respected amongst not only the Westhaven community, but she has an excellent reputation throughout North Somerset, having worked as an advisory teacher for the LA also.

Huge congratulations for also securing a new job goes to one of our amazing 6th form learners, Lottie. As you will read below, she will be working at Double Tree Hilton in Congresbury at the weekends. We are all so proud of you Lottie!

You also received a letter yesterday about 'stranger danger', please take time to speak with your children about this if you haven't already done so.

I am so incredibly proud of all the amazing work that goes on each week at Westhaven, please enjoy reading and seeing just a selection of this in this edition of the newsletter.

I wish you all a fabulous weekend, whatever you have planned stay safe and enjoy.



Jamie Peacock
Headteacher

Across the School:

The week started with Mr Orchard and Mrs Plume leading our assemblies on the political parties within the UK. The learners were able to ask some good questions to further their understanding.

We have also been mindful of our personal well-being this week as part of Mental Health Week. This year's theme was **movement** so we tried to take our learning outside of the classroom and create opportunities to move our body more.

Lower School:

We have seen some fabulous learning evidence captured this week. Some learners have been working on their alliteration and expanded noun phrases, whilst others have been mastering the manipulation of numbers at speed.

We have also seen our Westhaven school values being upheld with the learners demonstrating how they play, listen and show kindness to others.

Every day gives us a reason to feel very proud of our Lower School community and we are absolutely delighted that Miss Chaplin will be taking over as the lead of the department from September.

Middle School:

We started the week in assembly learning more about the political parties within the UK and what they each pledged to do during the last election. This is part of our series of assemblies to support learners to understand our British system of government. The learners listened well and some shared current knowledge as well as gained more understanding.

In Drama learners are exploring poetry, colours and emotions. The learners have, at times, surprised us with the depth of their vocabulary and skills linking the colours to emotions they feel.

Upper School:

Upper School learners in both year 10 and 11 have shown excellent resilience skills, during various exams - Functional Skills Maths and English and GCSE Maths, Science and Photography their best efforts this week. We are proud of their hard work and determination to do their best.

The week commenced with an assembly on UK political parties and their pledges in the last election. These conversations regarding the different parties carried over after assembly and were interesting to listen to. Learners were very respectful of differing opinions.

Manchester and W6 undertook some wonderful singing in karaoke during hobby time this week, a range of different music genres was chosen and made intriguing listening. Learners demonstrated turn taking and encouraged others using the microphone.



Lottie in W6 has successfully applied, interviewed and been appointed!! A Saturday job (paid!) with Double Trees, Hilton hotel! Lottie's role will be a waitress, undertaking duties during breakfast and lunch sessions. Well Done Lottie. Enjoy earning, we are all so proud of your achievement.

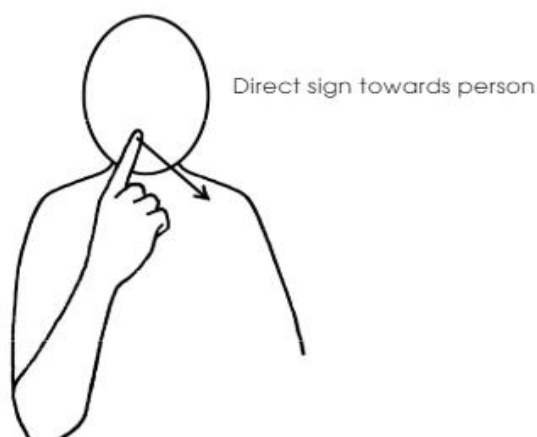
Staff in the Spotlight: Mr M Richards: LSA Middle School.

Favourite Book Quote	<i>"My candle burns at both ends, it will not last the night. But oh my foes and oh my friends, it gives a lovely light". - Roald Dahl</i>
Favourite Book to Read to Children	Green Eggs and Ham - Dr Seuss Fantastic Mr Fox - Roald Dahl The Gruffalo - Julia Donaldson
Favourite Childhood Book	Kensuke's Kingdom - Michael Morpurgo


Word of this Week:

KS1	splendid
KS2	glorious
KS3, 4 and 5	sublime

Sign of this Week: to speak / to talk



Maths Matters:

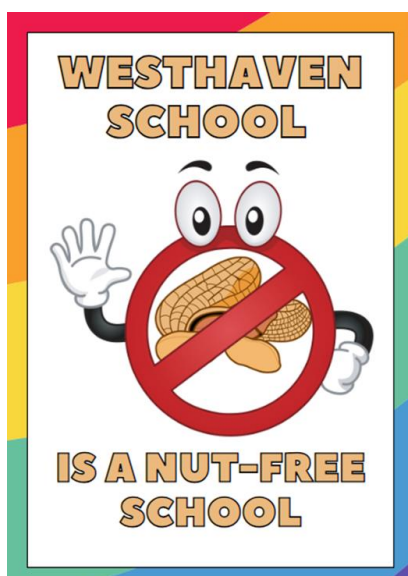
Problem One	Problem Two	Problem Three
<p>Mo has some marbles. Here are a quarter of Mo's marbles.</p>  <p>How many marbles does Mo have?</p>	<p>Dora collects sticks and stones on a walk. Dora has 15 more sticks than stones. She has 43 sticks and stones in total.</p> <p>How many sticks does Dora have?</p>	<p>Whitney has some money.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- She gives $\frac{1}{3}$ of her money to charity.- She spends £24 on a new hat.- She spends $\frac{2}{5}$ of the remainder on a candle.- She has £15 left. <p>How much did she have at the start?</p>

Headteacher Awards:

- Kyra from Exeter Class for her lovely RE work
- Logan from Exeter Class for writing an opening paragraph in English
- Harry from Exeter Class for his writing in English
- Susanna from Hull Class for her pictograms in maths
- George M in Cardiff Class, Beth and Freya in Plymouth class for their opinions on paragraph writing
- Jacob in York class for showing resilience all week
- James and Kyle for getting 10/10 in their spelling tests this week!

Sports Desk:

This week's highlight has been the cricket festival we attended on Thursday morning at Uphill CC. We took seven learners to experience some excellent cricket coaching delivered by a Somerset Cricket coach. Our learners were fantastic and showed some excellent cricket skills as well as showing the Westhaven Way throughout.



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.



Diary Dates:

Friday 19 July 2024	Last day in school for learners this academic year (Monday 22 and Tuesday 23 July are INSET days)
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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 2nd September 2024
- Tuesday 3rd September 2024
- Friday 8th November 2024
- Monday 6th January 2025
- Monday 21st July 2025
- Tuesday 22nd July 2025