

Westhaven Weekly Newsletter

Friday 14 June 2024



Our vision

Valued – Inspired – Prepared

Our values

We shape our learners to be:

Safely independent – Respectful citizens

Inquisitive thinkers – Confident communicators – Resilient learners

Thank you to all of you that have completed the Parent and Carer survey, the responses have been overwhelmingly positive so far. This is a final reminder that you have until 5.00 pm this evening if you would like to complete the survey as I will then work on my response over the weekend and publish the results next week.

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It has been yet another really positive week at Westhaven with incredible work going on, both inside and outside of the classroom. Please peruse the photo gallery below to see just a small selection of this.

I'm delighted to inform you that Mrs Rebekka Crawley was successfully appointed to the role of Middle Leader of Lower School yesterday. I am sure that you'd like to join me in wishing her every success for when she undertakes the role in September to support Miss Chaplin as the Senior Leader.

I hope you have some key dates in your diary (please see below) and that we'll see you at some of the upcoming events, such as Sports Day and the Summer Fayre.

Have a wonderful weekend, whatever you have planned and if it involves watching football I hope your team is successful. (Come on England!)



Jamie Peacock
Headteacher

Across the School

Learners enjoyed Monday's house assembly – the focus was on teamwork and thinking about the skills required to be part of the house team. These skills will be invaluable for our up and coming sports day! Learners' engagement with designing 'selfie shields' was fabulous to observe – so much creativity!

Lower School:

It has been another busy week in Lower School with lots of great learning taking place. We have also been continuing to prepare the learners for the changes that will take place in September.

On Thursday, we were also delighted to appoint Mrs Crawley as the new Middle Leader to support Miss Chaplin with Lower School leadership and development from September. We know they are going to shine as they step up into their new role.

Middle School:

To prepare students for some of our needs of our new learners we have been trialling a one-way system around some areas of Middle and Upper School. This has been successful so far and I am really proud of the learners for embracing this change (and reminding me when I've forgotten!)

As part of volunteering week, the School Council walked around Uphill completing a litter pick. Mr Innes and I were really impressed with their attitudes and commitment to this.

Upper School:

Upper School has seen a busy week. The final 3 exams for Year 11 learners – Science x 2 and Maths have been sat. College link program had its last session for Year 11 and 13 learners on Friday.

Year 10 Duke of Edinburgh learners undertook their practice expedition walking and camping over on school grounds for 2 nights. It is fair to say that all (learners and staff) are exhausted and looking forward to a well-deserved rest this weekend.

W6 coffee morning for parents and carers was a lovely social occasion. Everyone enjoyed their cuppa with the homemade scones and meringues whilst chatting.

Reminder for Year 11 and some W6 learners:

Work experience for Year 11 students and some of W6 is next week. Jodie Silmon has made contact with all but a reminder:

- Students on group placements should come to school as normal and will be accompanied by members of staff to their placement.
- Students on individual placements will need to make their own way to and from placement and will be independent (without support). Miss Silmon will visit them on placement on Tuesday to check in.
- Please ensure all students go to work correctly dressed for their placement and with lunch/ drink.
- If your child is ill please inform the school (AND the employer if on independent placements).

If there are any days your child is not 'working' they are welcome in school. If you have any questions please email jodie.silmon@westhavenschool.org.uk

Staff in the Spotlight: Mr R McErlain

Favourite Book Quote	<i>"Fill your house with stacks of books, in all the crannies and all the nooks." - Dr. Seuss</i>
Favourite Book to Read to Children	Story of the Little Mole by Werner Holzwarth and Wolf Erlbruch
Favourite Childhood Book	Amelia Jane and The Secret Seven by Enid Blyton

Word of this Week:









KS1	calm
KS2	patient
KS3, 4 and 5	stoic

Sign of this Week:



To Care For/ To Look After

Maths Matters:

<p>Mrs Smith has 30 oranges. She gives 6 oranges to Class 1 She gives 8 oranges to Class 2</p>  <p>How many oranges does Mrs Smith have left?</p>	<p>Eva and Sam have two cards each.</p>       <p>The sum of Eva's cards is equal to the sum of Sam's cards. What is the missing number?</p>	<p>On Monday, the price of a pair of shoes is reduced by 20% in a sale. On Tuesday, the price of the shoes is reduced by a further 25% The price of the shoes is now £48 What was the price of the shoes at the start?</p> 
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Headteacher Awards:

- (from last Friday afternoon) Brooke and Jantzen from Oxford class for their fractions work in Maths

It has been a very busy week in English as I have had visits from:

- Jacob and Ruby from Leeds class,
- Kaylum and Maddison from Bristol class,
- Michael-Lee in Hull class,
- Rosie in Plymouth class,
- Ashanti and Lillie-Ann from York class,
- Kyra in Cardiff class, and
- Harry in Exeter class for their wonderful English writing work, mostly to do with the book of the term 'Trash' by Andy Mulligan.

Sports Desk:

Sports day preparations are going well, all classes have had lots of chances to familiarise themselves with the events that happen on the day. We are all very excited for the day, the learners especially to show off their different sporting abilities. Pray for the sun!! Last week's trophy winners were:

- Lower School- Bath
- Middle and Upper School- Liverpool and Nottingham

Well done to all classes.

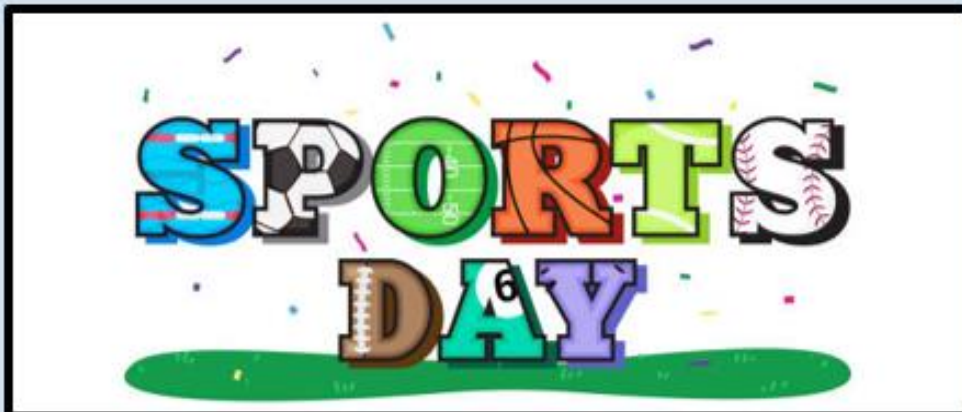
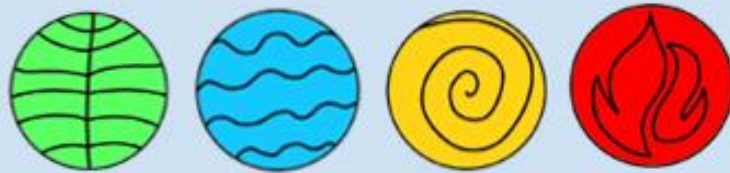
 Westhaven School	SPORTS DAY
MONDAY 24 JUNE 2024	<u>9.00 am to 10:30 am:</u> <u>Lower School</u> (Oxbridge, Wells, Bath, Hull and Chester)
<u>10.45 am to 12.15 pm:</u> <u>Middle School</u> (Leeds, Plymouth, Newcastle, York, Cardiff and Exeter)	<u>1.15 pm to 2.30 pm:</u> <u>Upper School</u> (Manchester, Liverpool, Nottingham, London, Bristol and W6)



Sports Day

Term 6 2023/24 House Event

Monday 24th June 2024



Whole school:

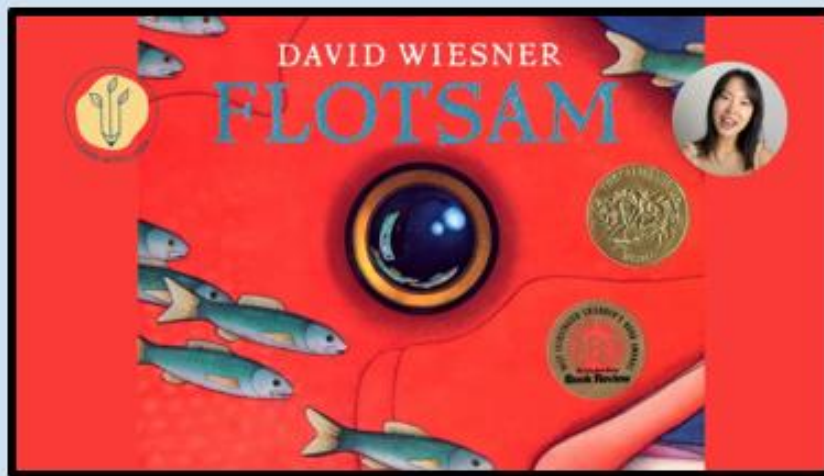
All learners will be involved in a variety of sporting activities throughout the day - competing to win points for their House!



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Book of the Term – Term 6

Flotsam by David Wiesner



A link to a virtual copy of the book:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3MTKWnxzqvM>

Whole school house challenge:

- Watch the video or read the book Flotsam by David Wiesner
- Take a series of photos which tell a story
- Do not include text in your story

These can be presented as a picture book, comic strip or photo board.

Entries close Friday 12th July

**Family
workshop**

Term 6



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Supporting transitions

Led by Tammy Chaplin and Laura Philpott

Where: ONLINE

When: Wednesday 19th June {1.15 - 2.15}

What to expect: transition between activities - transition between environments - big life transitions - key support strategies - how to write a social story - Questions

Please complete the following form to confirm attendance online:

<https://forms.gle/d1Zd5PwX2FK9JNV18>

We hope to see you there!



**Westhaven
School**

**Summer Fayre
Saturday
6th July 2024
12pm until
3pm**

*Join us for
Cream Teas
Tombola, Bottle stall
Craft stalls, Raffle
Coconut Shy
Bouncy Castle
Entertainment
BBQ
Ice Lollies
& much, much, more!*

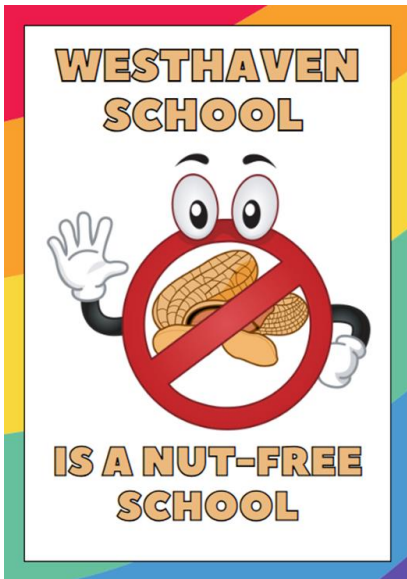
*A fun afternoon for the
whole family*

NON-SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY

FRIDAY 28 JUNE 2024

**IN RETURN FOR A
BOTTLE OR TIN FOR
THE SUMMER FAYRE**





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:

<p>Monday 24 June 2024</p>	<p>Sports Day:</p> <p>9.00 am to 10:30 am: Lower School (Oxbridge, Wells, Bath, Hull and Chester)</p> <p>10.45 am to 12.15 pm: Middle School (Leeds, Plymouth, Newcastle, York, Cardiff and Exeter)</p> <p>1.15 pm to 2.30 pm: Upper School (Manchester, Liverpool, Nottingham, London, Bristol and W6)</p>
<p>Friday 28 June 2024</p>	<p>Non-school uniform day (not compulsory) in exchange for a bottle or tin for the school fayre.</p> <p>Leavers Celebration assembly for Year 11 and Year 13 learners</p>
<p>Saturday 6 July 2024</p>	<p>Summer Fayre - 12 noon - 3.00 pm</p>
<p>Friday 19 July 2024</p>	<p>Last day in school for learners this academic year (Monday 22 and Tuesday 23 July are INSET days)</p>

North Somerset Term Dates – 2023/2024:

Term 6	03 June 24 – 23 July 24
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Westhaven INSET Days (school closed to all learners) – 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 learners) – 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