# Westhaven Weekly Newsletter

Friday 21 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

How lovely that we've been treated to some decent weather finally. Therefore, it's prudent for me to mention the importance of being 'sun safe'. Please ensure you send your child to school dressed appropriately, with a sun hat, sun cream, and of course a water bottle to aid hydration is very important.

So, I hope you are all looking forward to Sports Day on Monday, and that we see many of you here at school. Please note the timings:

- 9.00 am to 10:30 am: Lower School (Oxford, Wells, Bath, Hull and Chester)
- 10.45 am to 12.15 pm: Middle School (Leeds, Plymouth, Newcastle, York, Cardiff and Exeter)
- 1.15 pm to 2.30 pm: Upper School (Manchester, Liverpool, Nottingham, London, Bristol and W6)

There will be a non-uniform day next Friday, the 28th June. This is in exchange for a donation of a tin, bottle or gift for the tombola stall at the Summer Fayre, which is the following Saturday, 6th July from 12 noon -3pm.

Have a wonderful weekend, whatever you have planned.



Jamie Peacock Headteacher

#### **Across the School**

This week started with a comprehensive assembly about the policies of our political parties. Mr Orchard led these as part of a series planned to culminate in a school election which he planned for the week beginning the 1st July (I think he had some inside information!). It is really important for our learners to have an understanding of this and hopefully Mr Orchard has sparked an interest in some learners to want to know more.

#### **Lower School:**

Our learners who will be transitioning over into Middle School have been enjoying joining the older learners in their assemblies. They are looking so grown up and we know they are going to do so well in their new environment.



All the classes have also been practising hard for sports day. We very much hope you will be able to join us in the festivities. May the best house win!

#### Middle School:

We have welcomed a few new learners for September onto the school site and into lessons this week, I am so proud of how welcoming learners have been. I have a metaphorical queue at my door of learners asking to help them which is absolutely wonderful.

Our SMSC theme this week has been Sports Day; the learners have been preparing in PE lessons but have also had more time to discuss what it will be like and what to expect on Monday next week. We are looking forward to seeing you if you are able to attend.

#### **Upper School:**



A huge congratulations to our year 11 and W6 learners who have attended work experience this week. A wide range of placements this year! Group placements included Stepping Stone Bakery, Animal Care at Cannington College and working with the Food Bank, whilst individual placement activities included:

- Supporting the technicians in the construction department at Weston College.
- Assisting with children's physio and play at Springboard Opportunity Group.
- Drawing and using digital software at Next Theme.
- Time spent in the CCTV control room and stock taking on the MAVIS bus with North Somerset Community Safety Team.
- Assisting in stay and play sessions, making resources and in the kitchen at Portishead Youth Centre.

- Sweeping up, cutting foils and working on reception in the salon at Boss Cuts.
- Making cakes, serving customers, using the till and cleaning bikes at the Strawberry Line Cafe and Cycle Hire.
- Working hard undertaking a variety of roles at the cafe and library at The Campus
- Cleaning equipment and taking part in gym classes at @Worle gym.

We are incredibly proud of all the learners demonstrating their confident communicator skills and being resilient in the workplace. We hope you enjoyed the experience and have a restful weekend!

#### Staff in the Spotlight: Miss E Plaisted

Favourite Book Quote	"I'm so small," said the mole. "Yes," said the boy, "But you	
	make a huge difference".	
Favourite Book to	The Gruffalo by Julia Donaldson	
Read to Children		
Favourite Childhood	Matilda by Roald Dahl	
Book		

#### Word of this Week:

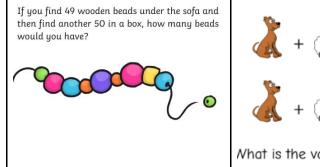
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KS2	onerous
KS3, 4 and 5	arduous

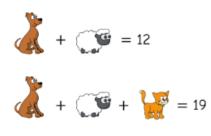
#### Sign of this Week:



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#### **Maths Matters:**





What is the value of the cat?

Rosie, Brett and Filip each have some money.

- Rosie has £45
- Brett has twice as much as Filip.
- They have £300 in total.

How much more money does Brett have than Rosie?

#### **Headteacher Awards:**

- Ava in Bristol class for her wonderful comparison and differences work in English
- Evan and Logan for their English work about the book Trash
- Freyja in Plymouth class for her English writing
- Logan from Cardiff class for his handwriting

#### Sports Desk:

All classes are fully prepared for Sports day and are very excited to show off their talents. We can't wait to see as many of you as possible. Please don't forget the PTA are selling ice lollies/creams and drinks throughout the day. Please bring cash if possible! Thank you.

Last weeks trophy winners were:

- Lower School Hull
- Middle and Upper School Bristol

Well done to all classes!



#### School Council Litter Picking

On the 10th June 2024 as part of volunteer week, Middle and Upper School Council members did a litter pick around Uphill and the local beach. They did an amazing job!



# **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!

# Westhaven Holiday Activity club



A fun active holiday club for pupils at Westhaven school!

A day full of sports, cooking, arts and crafts and much more.



#### Dates:

- Week 1: 29th July 2nd August (Lower school pupils)
- Week 2: 5<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> August (Middle & Upper school pupils)
- Week 3: 12<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> August (Middle & Upper school pupils)

For more information contact - asc@westhavenschool.org.uk

Or visit- https://eequ.org/westhaven

#### Scan me for booking



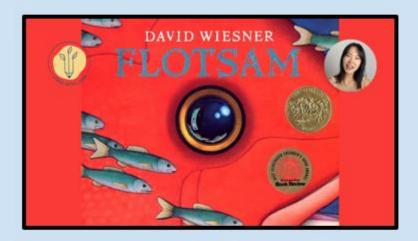


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## Book of the Term - Term 6

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



# Westhaven School

Summer Fayre Saturday 6thJuly 2024 12pm until 3pm

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

A fun afternoon for the whole family

# WESTHAVEN SCHOOL SUMMER FAYRE PRIZES

# Saturday 6th July 12-3

- WEEKEND HOT TUB HIRE
- LUXURY HAMPER WORTH £125
- NUFFIELD GYM & SPA MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP
  - £40 VOUCHER BOTTOMLESS BRUNCH
    - £25 VOUCHER WOOLPACK
    - 2 TICKETS HARVEST HOME
  - £15 GIFT VOUCHER OCEAN ADVENTURES
  - £15 VOUCHER MR BEANS COFFEE SHOP
    - ENTRY FOR 2 NOAHS ARK
    - GIFTCARD FOR 2 BREAN SPLASH
      - £20 VOUCHER PLAZA CINEMA
        - FAMILY PASS DISK GOLF
  - £10 GIFT VOUCHER MUFFINS TEAROOM
    - UNLIMITED RIDES X 2 GRAND PIER
      - 2 TICKETS AIR EXTREME
      - ENTRY FOR 2 BREAN PLAY
      - £15 VOUCHER ROOT TO TIP
      - £10 GIFTCARD COSTA COFFEE
  - £10 VOUCHER IMAGINATION FASCINATION
    - COLOUR & CUT SERENITY HAIR
    - 12 BOTTLES OF THATCHERS CIDER
      - VOUCHER ADAMS BARBERSHOP
    - 2 TICKETS TABOGONING AT MENDIP
    - GIFT VOUCHER EBDON HAIR & BEAUTY
      - £10 GIFTCARD SUBSTANCE BAKERY
      - CREAM TEAS FOR 2 TIFFANYS PIER
      - £30 GIFT VOUCHER PEBBLES & FELT
    - GIFTCARD WORLE TANNING CENTRE
  - GIFT VOUCHER THE SIGNATURE SALON

and much, much more

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# NON-SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY

FRIDAY 28 JUNE 2024

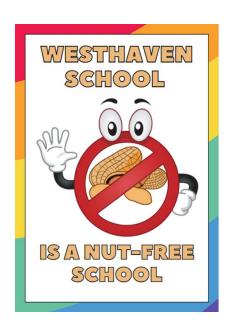
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BOTTLE OR TIN FOR
THE SUMMER FAYRE













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.

#### <u>Changes to Home to School Transport Policies</u>

North Somerset Council is collaborating with schools, families, children, and young people to ensure that travel arrangements promote greater independence and self-sufficiency based on each child's individual needs. This will help equip young people with the necessary skills to navigate their communities safely and support their transition to adulthood, future employment, and overall well-being.

Have your say: <a href="https://n-somerset.inconsult.uk/Student\_travel/consultationHome">https://n-somerset.inconsult.uk/Student\_travel/consultationHome</a>





🙀 Join Us for a Special SEN Session with Bluey! 🩀

Designed for children who may find a typical play environment overwhelming, our SEN sessions offer:

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Small capacity: Limited spaces for a calmer atmosphere.

Hand dryers off: No loud noises to startle.
 Background music on mute: Creating a quieter environment.

Wednesday, 7th August | 2:30-4:30 PM

P Book your spot now: Book Here: https:// imaginationfascinationwsm.bookmyactivity.co.uk/ book/935/booking.aspx? package=sensessionwithbluey

#SENSession #SpecialNeeds #InclusivePlay #Bluey #BookNow





#### **Diary Dates:**

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Friday 28 June 2024	Non-school uniform day (not compulsory) in exchange for a bottle or tin for the school fayre.	
	Leavers Celebration assembly for Year 11 and Year 13 learners	
Saturday 6 July 2024	Summer Fayre - 12 noon - 3.00 pm	
Wednesday 10th July 2024	Meet the Team - 1.45pm - 2.30pm Learners can be taken home afterwards	
Friday 19 July 2024	Last day in school for learners this academic year (Monday 22 and Tuesday 23 July are INSET days)	
Over the summer		
	Summer Reading Challenge	
	Summer Reading Challenge   North Somerset Online Directory	

Children aged four to 11 and their parents or carers are invited to their local North Somerset library to take part in the annual Summer Reading Challenge: sign up for free at your local library during the summer holidays.

Children can choose any books to read from the thousands of titles held in libraries. Once signed up children are challenged to read six books over three visits to the library.

Children will receive a special summer reading challenge poster or folder with stickers or cards to collect. All materials are free and subject to availability. Every child who reads six books and completes the challenge by the second weekend of September receives a certificate and medal.

#### 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 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 8th November 2024
- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025
- Monday 21st July 2025
- Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025