WESTON NEWS

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Dates for your diary (new/changed dates in red):

October

- Fri 23 – School closes for half term

November

- Mon 2 – School reopens
- Wed 4 – Sparrows vision and hearing screening
- Wed 11 – Armistice Assembly & two-minute silence
- Mon 16 – Anti-Bullying Week / Wear Odd Socks
- Tue 17 – Year 4 Bikeability
- Fri 20 – Children in Need
- Mon 23 – Road Safety Week
- Thu 26 – Owls (Y5) Class Assembly, 10am
- W/b Mon 30 – Assessment Week

December

- Tue 1 – KS2 trip to New Vic Theatre
- Fri 4 – FOWS Christmas Fair, 3.15–5pm (TBC)
- Mon 7 – Sparrows Nativity (pm & evening)
- Mon 7 & Tue 8 – Year 5 Bikeability
- Thu 10 – Robins & Puffins Christmas Performance
- Fri 11 – Christmas Jumper Day & Lunch
- Tue 15 – EYFS & KS1 trip to the Grange Theatre
- Wed 16 – Choir at Shavington, 6–8pm
- Fri 18 – Weston's Got Talent; break up

January

- Tue 5 – School reopens
- Thu 21 – Blackbirds (Y3) Class Assembly, 10am

A message from Mr Cutts

As we approach the end of our first half term, there is plenty to reflect on and celebrate. The past fortnight has brought parent consultations, Crucial Crewe, Wear Red Day and the Eagles class assembly and the FOWS Halloween Disco yesterday evening.

Since our last newsletter, we have also shared our Ofsted report with families. It is lovely to finish the half term with so much of what makes Weston special recognised in the report, particularly children's achievements, their wider development and their experience of school life.

Thank you to everyone who joined us for parent consultations. These conversations are an important opportunity to celebrate children's learning, share any concerns and agree how we can work together. Please remember that you do not need to wait for a consultation evening to speak to us if something is worrying you.

We finish for half term today, Friday 23 October, and welcome children back on Monday 2 November. I hope everyone enjoys the break and some time together before another busy half term begins.

A busy fortnight at Weston

Crucial Crew

Our Year 6 pupils attended Crucial Crew at the Mornflake Stadium, taking part in practical activities with local organisations to explore safety and decision-making in everyday situations. These opportunities help children think about the choices they make as they become more independent.

Wear Red Day

Thank you for supporting Show Racism the Red Card by sending children to school in red last Friday. The day provided another opportunity to reinforce our messages about respect, equality and challenging racism. These remain important throughout the year, alongside our ongoing Black History Month learning.

Eagles class assembly

Well done to Eagles for their class assembly on Tuesday and thank you to the Year 6 families who joined us to celebrate the children's learning across lots of different curriculum areas. They did a great job!



Eco Ambassadors at Basford East

Our Eco Ambassadors and Eco Club enjoyed visiting the Basford East biodiversity area in Weston this week. They learned about local wildlife, biodiversity and the importance of Biodiversity Net Gain before planting hundreds of spring bulbs in the new habitat area.

The children were fantastic throughout. They worked hard, represented the school brilliantly and should be very proud of the contribution they have made to an area right on our doorstep.

FOWS Halloween Disco – thank you!

Thank you to FOWS and everyone who helped organise yesterday's Halloween Disco.

The hall looked fantastic and we know how much preparation goes into putting on an event like this. We hope everyone who came along had a lovely time.



Poppy Appeal

Our Year 6 Ambassadors are selling poppies, bookmarks and keyrings to raise money for the Royal British Legion. The minimum donation is £1.

Please send the correct money if your child would like to buy something. For younger children, you may wish to let the teacher know on ClassDojo that money has been sent in.

We will limit children to one poppy each, although older siblings may buy an additional poppy for a younger brother or sister at Weston.

Thank you for supporting the appeal. We will hold our Armistice Assembly and two-minute silence on Wednesday 11 November.



Scholastic Book Fair: thank you!

Thank you to everyone who supported our Scholastic Book Fair. Families spent an incredible £1,589.92 on books, with stationery sales adding to the total. This was our second-best Book Fair ever and will give us nearly £900 to spend on new books for school.

Your support will help us put even more books into children's hands and keep our classrooms and library well stocked. Thank you for making such a difference.

OPAL: outdoor play through autumn

Please continue to send children in a suitable waterproof coat as the weather gets wetter. We aim to take the children outside in most weathers. Named clothing and footwear help enormously.

Our OPAL donations appeal remains open, particularly for wellies for the proposed Weston Welly Library, scooters, dolls and prams, toy cars, plastic crates and sand toys. The poster shows what would help most.

Please only send clean, safe items in good usable condition, and check with the school office before bringing in larger donations. Thank you for your support.



Coming up after half term

Sparrows screening – Wednesday 4 November

Reception families should make sure they read the information that has been sent on School Spider about vision and hearing screening on Wednesday 4 November.



Anti-Bullying Week – Monday 16 November

Children are invited to wear odd socks on Monday 16 November as we launch Anti-Bullying Week, celebrating difference and reminding everyone of the importance of kindness and respect.

Children in Need – Friday 20 November



We will once again be supporting BBC Children in Need with a dress-up day on Friday 20 November. This is a week after the national appeal, but a lovely opportunity for us to have some fun while supporting a very worthwhile cause.

Children are invited to come to school in non-uniform or fancy dress – anything cheerful that might make someone smile! This could be a superhero costume, pyjamas or a onesie, something yellow or spotty, Pudsey-

themed clothing or simply a favourite outfit. There is absolutely no need to buy anything new and dressing up is entirely optional.

Temporary hair colour and face paint are welcome if applied at home. Please avoid toy weapons or anything that could cause difficulties during the school day and make sure children have sensible footwear. Our usual outdoor play and learning will continue, so please bear this in mind when choosing outfits.

We would welcome a voluntary donation to BBC Children in Need, which supports children and young people facing difficult circumstances across the UK. Families can donate directly to the charity using the QR code on our fundraising poster, which we will share separately. We will not be collecting cash in school and all children are welcome to take part whether or not their family makes a donation.

Thank you for helping us make this a fun, inclusive day while supporting children who need a helping hand.

Bikeability and class assemblies

Year 4 Bikeability is on Tuesday 17 November; information will follow for Magpies families. Owls families are invited to their class assembly at 10am on Thursday 26 November.

Reception 2027 and Year 7 applications

Year 7 applications close on 31 October, during half term. Please make sure applications are submitted on time.

Reception 2027 applications close on 15 January. Younger siblings also need their own application through the home local authority.

We are continuing to welcome prospective families for school tours. Booking details are available on our website or from the office.



Stars of the Week

Congratulations to all our Stars of the Week recognised in recent Celebration Assemblies. It has been lovely to celebrate their kindness, perseverance, curiosity and enthusiasm for learning. Look out for photos of our stars on class Class Dojo stories.

Thank you, as always, for your support this half term. Enjoy the break, and we look forward to seeing everyone back on Monday 2 November.

Tom Cutts

Headteacher