



WESTON NEWS

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Dates for your diary (**new dates in red**):

Monday 21 June – World Music Day (dress as a rock star)

Thursday 24 June – Y6 Alsager School and whole school transition day

Monday 28 June – Green trip to Stockport Air Raid Shelters Museum

~~Wednesday 30 June – Y6 Shavington Academy transition day~~ **Now virtual**

Thursday 1 and Monday 5 July – New starter's one to one parent meetings

Wednesday 7 July – New starters' 'Gruffalo Games' afternoon

~~Thursday 8 July – Y6 leavers' prom (here at Weston tbc)~~

Friday 9 July – School reports out

Friday 9 July – Y6 Leavers' party followed by sleepover on the field

Friday 10 July – Y6 fun activity day (circus skills and scoutcraft)

Friday 16 July – Children break up for summer holiday

Wednesday 1 September – INSET Day and Teddy bears' picnic for new starters

Thursday 2 September – Start of Autumn term for all children

A message from Mr Cutts

As we enter the final weeks of term we look ahead to the inevitable change that the end of a school year brings. These are exciting times for our Year 6 children that will no doubt be tinged with some apprehension about the next big step in their lives – transition to secondary school. All of our partner secondary schools are working closely with us to ensure that transition is as smooth as possible, which is far from easy with the remaining Covid uncertainty.

We know that the children will be leaving us in great shape and will remain fully involved in their transition. We hope they are able to join us for a celebration of their time at Weston in the form of a Friday night leavers' party (note the change of date to 9 July) followed by a sleepover and a day of fun activities on our school field. Whilst it won't quite replace the residential trip they have missed out on this year, we know they will make life-long memories.

Elsewhere, other changes are ahead. All of the children will be spending a day in their new classes next week and the newest members of the Weston family, our Reception 2021 starters, will have their first taste of school life too.

Change is inevitable and will always present challenges and opportunities. Through our Secrets of Success lens, we know that Pushing Yourself, Trying New Things and Don't Give Up enable people to embrace challenges and recognise the real value in stepping out of your comfort zone.

Staffing Update

When Mrs Armitt begins her maternity leave, her teaching responsibilities will

be covered by a yet-to-be-appointed temporary teacher. We have had a lot of interest in the advertised role and are confident that we will identify an outstanding replacement for the duration of the maternity absence. Mrs Armitt's SENCO responsibilities will be covered by Mrs Henshall, an experienced SENCO who works at another school in the trust. Mrs Henshall has already spent time in school getting to know the current needs of the children and will shadow/work alongside Mrs Armitt from September before taking over fully when Mrs Armitt's maternity leave starts.



Lane End and Onward Living

This week we welcomed Kate from Lane End New Beginnings and Shoab from Onward Living into school to talk to the older children, in separate assemblies, about the new 447 house development that will be built in Basford East over the next few years, adjacent to David Whitby Way. As the nearest primary school to the development, we are keen to explore opportunities to work with Lane End, who are building the houses, and Onward, who are selling and renting them and will otherwise be working with the community.

One such opportunity is a street naming competition and Lane End and Onward would love Weston pupils to name some of the new streets. This is a great opportunity to create a small piece of history and a little legacy! The children in KS2 have brought home an entry sheet and we would like them all to take part.



Exciting Playground Developments

Next week we will be sharing some very exciting news about our imminent next level playtime enhancements. Thanks to the fundraising efforts of Friends of Weston, supported by our school community, we are about to invest quite heavily in playground equipment. We can't wait to share the plans with you in the coming days and for the children to enjoy the changes! News will be shared on ParentMail and across our other communication platforms.

Sports Day

We are very proud of the children for pushing themselves and supporting their schoolmates, regardless of team colour, in today's Sports Day. The weather conditions were perfect for some sack, bean bag, egg and spoon and sprint action! We always acknowledge a winning team but sport was the winner today thanks to the tremendous effort of all the children. In a very close run event, Yellow were the overall winners.



ParentMail – Have You Missed Anything?

Here are the ParentMail communications since the last newsletter:

2 June – Y1-Y6 School Sports Clubs

8 June – Weston EYFS September 2021 Cohort Transition Activities (for parents and carers of new starters)

8 June – New Starters to Alsager School in September 2021 (for relevant Y6 parents)

11 June – COVID 19 Update

16 June – World Music Day – Dress as a Rockstar

16 June – Next Year's Classes

16 June – Street Naming Competition (Key Stage Two)

Stars of the Week

Here are most of our stars of week for the last two weeks. They have done a great job at showing off the Secrets of Success in lots of different ways. Well done children!

Attention All Parents!

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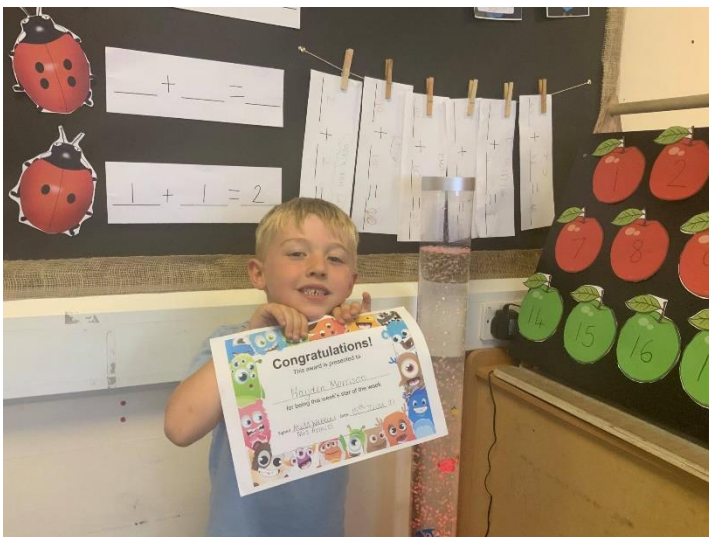
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Don't hesitate to ask if you have any questions.

Thomas Cutts