

SMSC Diary Summer 2025

(For OFSTED definitions of SMSC, see school website)

‘A Community, Learning and Growing’



Weston is a **‘good’** school – SIAMs Inspection Report 2017

*‘The school, through its distinctive Christian character, is **outstanding** at meeting the needs of all learners’.*

*‘The impact of collective worship on the school community **is good**’.*

*‘The effectiveness of the leadership and management of the school as a church school **is good**’.*

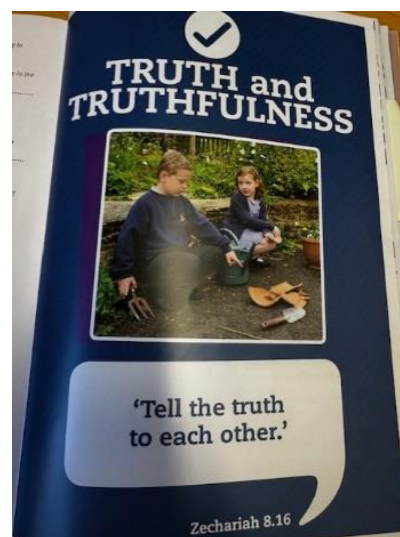


Weston Primary & Nursery School continues to be a good school.

OFSTED Inspections 2023.

*‘Pupils at Weston Primary and Nursery School are **kind and considerate**. They care for each other. The oldest support the youngest in social time and in lessons.*

Children in Reception and Nursery learn to **take turns** and **share** with each other. Pupils are **enthusiastic** about their learning. This includes those with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND). They are **proud** of their work and talk about what they have learned. Pupils respond well to the routines and **high expectations** that leaders have for their behaviour. At play and breaktimes, pupils play together and **respect** one another. Bullying is rare. When it does happen, pupils know that staff will deal with it quickly. Pupils are **safe**. Many pupils attend the wide range of clubs on offer throughout the school year. There is a **strong sporting ethos** within the school. Pupils **enthusiastically** take part in the sports competitions that take place between schools and within the houses in school. Pupils vote to elect their representatives on the school council. This helps to develop their understanding of **democracy**. They also choose the **charities** that the school supports and discuss some of the events held in school.'



In the summer term term, the children have been encouraged to consider the talents and strengths they each have, and how they can use those to help others – without expecting anything in return. These have been thoughtful and meaningful discussions, and we have encouraged the children to talk about it at home too.

Here are some of the spiritual, moral, social and cultural activities we have enjoyed during this term:

Celtic Harmony



Dahl Class visited Celtic Harmony Camp, a Prehistory camp with thatched roundhouses and native woodland near Broxbourne. The children experienced the natural world and traditions of life in ancient Britain through creative hands-on activities that engage the imagination and improve wellbeing. This trip brought to a close Dahl's Stone Age to Iron Age history topic.

Victorian Day

Dahl Class enjoyed grinding flour using a quern stone, making pottery beakers, spear throwing, watching flint knapping and trading activities.

_We were really impressed with how much they remembered from their lessons and how confidently they applied their knowledge. The Center commented on how beautifully behaved our children were. A big thank you to Friends of the School (FoWS) for subsidising the trip and helping make this brilliant learning opportunity possible.



Dahl class completed lessons 'Victorian style' on slates and sat in rows in silence.

EYFS/WADDELL Class sports day practice



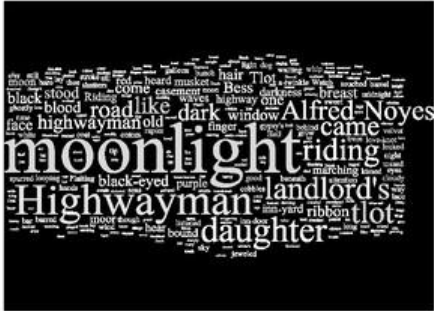
Year 5 & 6 Observational drawing in Maiden Street



Year 3 & 4 Performing poetry (The Highwayman, Alfred Noyes) in our beautiful, outdoor gazebo (Enjoying our relationship with our environment)

Community Cross stitch Club, our lovely team of Nanny stitchers from the local community supporting our pupils to complete tapestry squares

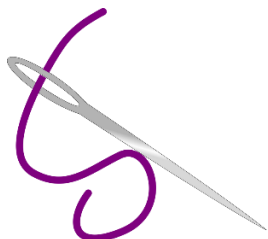
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We are very pleased to share that three children at Weston Primary & Nursery School now play the organ once a month, in Holy Trinity Church. Holy Trinity Organist, Hilary Bailey, teaches the children to play the piano - as part of these lessons she has been teaching the children how to play the organ. We are very proud of Isla and Sophie in Year 6 and Mia in Year 4, who now not only play the organ before and after our church services, but also accompany Hilary during the service. This is another great example of our school community and the wider village community coming together to give our children the best possible opportunities. Hilary also comes in to school to run a cross-stitch club for the children with the help of a church warden and two other parishioners, a club that has been running for over fifteen years. We are very grateful to the support our wider community offers our children.

Mr Chris Hinchliff our local MP came into school to talk to the children about his role and democracy



We were very lucky to welcome Chris Hinchliff, the Member of Parliament for North East Herts, to school. Chris enjoyed a tour of the school and saw children in every class engaged in their learning and proud of their work. He also led an Assembly, where he talked to the children about the role of an MP in British democracy – one of the British Values we teach across the school.

In preparation, the children came up with a brilliant range of questions, and Chris was very impressed with the thoughtful things they wanted to know. He explained how MPs in the House of Commons “bob up” to try to ask a question, so the children had a go at that too. We are very grateful to Chris for taking time out of his busy schedule to visit and take such an interest in our school community.

Year 6 School Journey to PGL Bawdsey Manor, Suffolk



We also wished our Year 6 pupils good luck in their SATs. They had worked hard all year, and we were proud of how calmly and maturely they approached this final stages. Mrs Nelson organised a SATs morning breakfast each day so that the children could come in early to enjoy a healthy breakfast with their friends.

Bikeability

last term, Bikeability took place. 10 of our Year 5 children have been learning how to ride a bike safely on the road, under the instruction of trainers from Herts County Council. The children thoroughly enjoyed it and received their awards for Level 1 or Level 2.





FATHER'S DAY SHOP

MONDAY 9TH & WEDNESDAY 11TH JUNE
Your child can buy the special Man in their lives a gift for £2.50

Please send your child in with the correct change if possible, in an envelope with their name on and a carrier bag to put the gifts in.




Cash for Kadoma



The children on our School Council asked for your help to address the unfairness which means that not all parents in Kadoma (our African twin school) can afford to send their children to school.

The School Council asked every child in our school to support this cause by taking on a sponsored job at home in the summer term – whether it was tidying, washing up, weeding for a neighbour, or helping a grandparent. Just a few helpful jobs, in return for a small donation, would make a big difference.



We thank you for your support with this project. Supporting this ‘Courageous Advocacy’ we were able to raise over £600.

As part of our Collective Worship this term, the children have been learning about “courageous advocacy” – recognising when something is wrong or unfair and having the courage to take action. Our School Council has taken this to heart and, as you know, would like to raise funds to support children in Kadoma, Zimbabwe, who cannot afford to attend school.

In addition, The Head Teacher and the School Council held a bake sale after school. Thank you for supporting this important cause.



CRUCIAL CREW

Our Year 6s took part in Crucial Crew, an innovative and interactive way of delivering health and well-being messages to Year 6 children in preparation for their migration to secondary school. The event encourages model behaviour and good citizenship through active participation in a range of health and safety activities. Professionals from the combined Emergency Services and local agencies were on hand to instruct children on matters that will teach community values and could save lives. The pupils came back full of information and enthusiasm – thank you to staff who accompanied the trip and supported the children so well.



Ocarina and Music Concerts

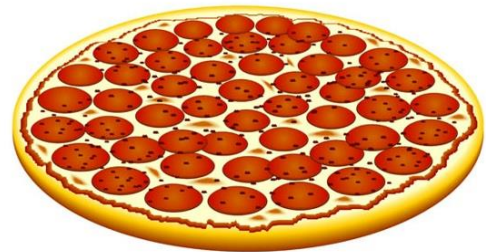
Our Year 1 and Year 2 children performed in an Ocarina Concert for their parents. It was a joyful event and we were impressed with the progress the children have made over the year

We were also treated to performances from children who have been learning other instruments with Jenni Brind from the Music Service. We are really pleased to be able to offer such a range of musical opportunities to our pupils.



EYFS Educational Visits

Our youngest pupils have been out and about recently, enjoying learning experiences beyond the classroom and out in the local environment and community. Nursery and Reception children visited the farm in Ardeley, where they learned about animals, crops and the farm. Reception children also took a trip to Pizza Express in Hitchin, where they had the chance to make their own pizzas and learn more about food preparation.



Police Safety Visit

PC Braybrook came into collective worship to talk to the children about how to keep themselves, others and the environment safe.



Smooth Transition Activities

The classes shared activities including OTTER time (Our Time to Enjoy Reading) in readiness for the move to new classrooms and teachers in September





SPORTS WEEK

Weston school enjoyed a whole week of sport, including Sport Day (where our parents watched and had refreshments), dance workshops, trampolining and tennis.



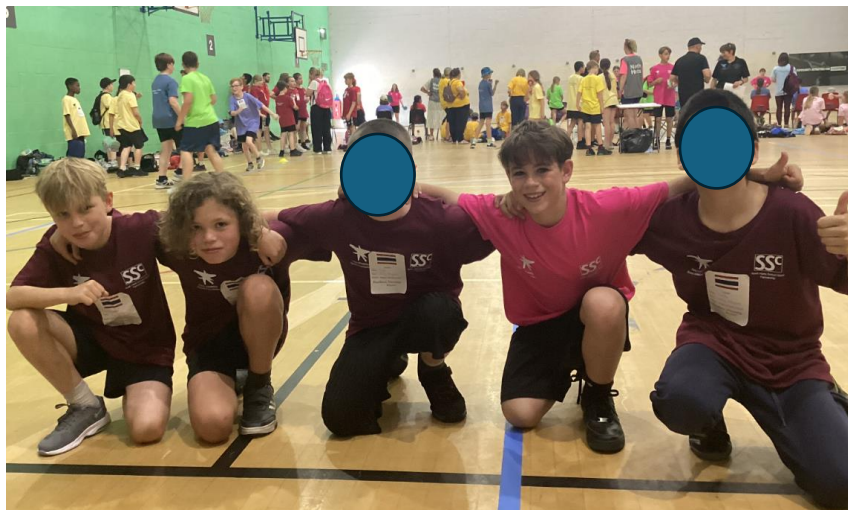


Olympic Legacy Event

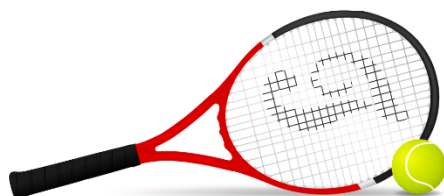
Rundell Class did a wonderful job representing our school at the Olympic Legacy Event held at Knights Templar School.

The pupils participated in a number of team events, alongside lots of other schools in our wider community, and we were delighted that they came away with a Gold medal in Tag Rugby and a Bronze in Sitting Volleyball, which is one of the Paralympic sports. As always, the children were brilliantly behaved and supported each other with kindness and encouragement.

Events like these are a valuable opportunity for our pupils to experience a larger school setting, helping them to build confidence ahead of their transition to secondary school.



Our Under 9s (Year 4) tennis team, played brilliantly at Letchworth Tennis Club recently, competing against other schools from across North Herts and qualified for the semi-final. The team, made up of two boys and two girls, showed great sportsmanship and determination. Who knows – we may have future Emma Raducanus or Andy Murrays among them.



Our Year 4s have been working hard all year on their times tables and finally took the National Test. They all did incredibly well, likewise our Year 1s who have been tested on their phonics. The teachers are very proud of the way they faced these tests at such a young age. We hope the parents are proud too.

Multiplication Square

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2	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20
3	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30
4	4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40
5	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
6	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60
7	7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70
8	8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80
9	9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90
10	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100

On the 8th July, Weston Primary & Nursery School hosted an Inter-Village Athletics competition, a competition against 5 other local schools. Children from Reception to Year 6 competed, a very big community event in our sporting calendar. As we were hosting this year, there would be lots of extra cars in the village. We were very grateful to John Cherry, a local farmer, for allowing us to use a field behind the Church for parking. This helped to minimise cars parking on the roads around school and up into the village.

Year 6 Leavers Service both in church and in school

2025



We invited parents, carers, governors and other members of the **community** to join us in our, whole school, Leavers service where we sing hymns and songs. We also reflect on our **own lives and the lives of others** to write meaningful prayers to share.

Last day Teddy Bear's Picnic





Goodbye Year 6, you were amazing!



End of Term Disco, run by our FOWs team



Extended Summer Offer



Local Library - Summer Reading Challenge



We encouraged all children to take part in the Summer Reading Challenge at their local library this summer. It's a fun and motivating way to keep reading over the holidays – children can earn stickers, a medal and a certificate by reading a set number of books. The local library delivered a collective worship to enthuse our pupils to read!

Baldock Library is also ran a special “knitted worm” treasure hunt!



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SHIPWRECKED

a holiday club in Jonah

Christchurch Baldock invites all children in Reception - Y6 to join us for a fun-filled week of games, craft, Bible teaching, songs, and prizes!

28th - 31st July // 10am - 12pm
Knights Templar School Hall
Final celebration at KTS
Sunday 3rd August 10.30am

Parents' cafe and play area for little ones alongside the sessions.

FREE ALL-INCLUSIVE ENTRY
Scan the QR code to book your place.
Spaces are limited.

faith in kids



