



Dates for your Diary:

Mon 15th Sept
After school clubs start

Fri 26th Sept
Yr6 Height & Weight

Thurs 2nd Oct 9.30
Harvest Festival Holy
Trinity – all welcome –
teas/coffees from 9.00

Tues 7th Oct 9.30
Reception/Nursery Tour
for prospective parents

Mon 13th Oct 5.00-7.30
Parent Evening

Tues 14th Oct
KTS Open Morning for Yr
6– remember to book

Weds 15th Oct
School & sibling photos

Weds 15th Oct 3.30-6.30
Parent Evening

Thurs 23rd Oct 9.30
Reception/Nursery Tour
for prospective parents

Mon 27th – Fri 31st Oct
HALF TERM

Mon 3rd Nov
INSET DAY

Weds 5th Nov 9.30
Reception/Nursery Tour
for prospective parents

Weds 5th Nov
R-Yr6 Flu vaccinations in
school

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News from Mr Holmes

It has been wonderful to welcome pupils back to school over the last week and a half. From Nursery right through to Year 6, the children have settled back into routines with real enthusiasm.

Nursery Applications for September 2026

If you have a child who was born between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023, you can now apply for them to join our Nursery in September 2026. We have already received applications from two younger siblings of current pupils, and we know there are many more younger brothers and sisters in this age group. If one of them is yours, please apply soon to secure a place.

You can find more information and the Nursery Application Form here:
<https://www.weston.herts.sch.uk/admissions/>

Christian Vision and Value

In Collective Worship this week, the children did a fantastic job of reminding us that our Christian Vision is that we are “A Community, Learning and Growing”.

We also introduced this half term’s Christian Value of *Generosity*. The children enjoyed hearing the traditional American story of Johnny Appleseed and discussing what generosity can mean in our own lives. We thought about how we can be generous with our time, our help, and our friendship. Please ask your child if they can retell the story to you, and what they feel generosity looks like in their daily lives.

Cash for Kadoma

In Collective Worship and at School Council meetings, we have also been exploring the idea of “courageous advocacy”, which means recognising when something is unfair and trying to take action. Our School Council have led an inspiring project to support families in Kadoma, Zimbabwe, where many parents struggle to afford school fees.

I am delighted to share that our pupils raised just over £600 through sponsored jobs at home and a wonderful bake sale last term. As it costs about £40 per child per term to attend our partner school in Kadoma, this will make a real difference to a good number of families. Thank you very much for your generosity in supporting this initiative.

Fantastic Attendance so far this Term

We are extremely grateful to parents and carers for supporting children with their attendance at the start of the school year. Our whole-school attendance currently stands at an impressive 98.6% for the school year so far.

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Dates for your Diary:

Weds 5th Nov 3.15

Book Fair

Tues 11th Nov 9.30-11.45

Yr 6 Crucial Crew

**Fri 14th Nov
Children in Need**

Sat 15th Nov 9.30-11.00

Early Years Open Morning for prospective Nursery/Reception parents

Fri 21st Nov 9.30-11.00

Tan Class visit to Coptic Church in Stevenage

Thurs 27th Nov 2.15-3.15

Open Afternoon

Fri 28th Nov 9.30

Reception/Nursery Tour for prospective parents

**Fri 5th Dec
OCCASIONAL DAY**

Tues 9th Dec 9.30

Reception/Nursery Tour for prospective parents

Mon 15th Dec

Reception Height & Weight

Mon 15th Dec 2.00

YR 1 / 2 Performance

Tues 16th Dec 9.30

Donaldson Performance

Tues 16th Dec 6.00

YR 1 / 2 Performance

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Please remember to keep your child off only if they are really too unwell to attend. If they are a little under the weather, do still bring them in and we will contact you if they cannot manage the day. The one exception is for sickness and diarrhoea: in these cases, children must stay at home until 48 hours after the last episode.

Term-time holidays cannot normally be authorised, and fines may be issued for such absences.

A special well done goes to Carle and Morris Classes, who each achieved 100% attendance last week and therefore won the Attendance Trophy. Tomorrow, we will also be presenting Excellent Attendance Certificates to those children who achieved 98% or higher attendance last half term – a brilliant achievement.

Friends of Weston School (FoWS)

FoWS continue to do an outstanding job in supporting our school. Their efforts to raise funds and organise events are a vital part of school life. For example, it is thanks to FoWS that we now have new interactive whiteboards, which are used daily by staff to enrich children's learning.

Please do take a look at the attached flyer from FoWS and consider getting involved. It is a great way to support the school and to connect with other parents in our community.

Reception Parents' Taster Dinner

Thank you to all the Reception parents who joined us on Monday to enjoy a school dinner with their children. It was a pleasure to see you and to give you a chance to sample the meals for yourselves.

If you would like your child in any year group to begin having school dinners, even just on certain days each week, please contact the school office. A reminder that children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to free school meals through government funding. Also, children in Year 3 to 6 are entitled to free school meals if you are in receipt of benefits. If you aren't sure if you qualify use this link. Any child on free school meals is eligible for lots of discounts in school, so it's worth checking.

[Free School Meals](#)

Half Term Activity Camps

If you are looking for half term holiday clubs for your children please check out this link to our website

[Holiday Activities on Website](#)

Thank You

As we start another school year, I want to thank all parents and carers for the many ways you support your children in their education. Working together as a community is what helps our school to flourish, and it is deeply appreciated.

Mr Holmes

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Dates for your Diary:

Thurs 18th Dec 9.30
Christmas Service Holy Trinity – all welcome – teas/coffees from 9.00

Fri 19th Dec 1.30
END OF AUTUMN TERM

Mon 5th Jan
INSET DAY

Tues 6th Jan
START OF SPRING TERM

Teachers' Book Recommendations

As part of our mission to promote **Reading for Pleasure**, our teachers have shared some more fantastic book recommendations for different age groups. We hope you and your children enjoy them!



Mr Holmes recommends:

Shadow Thieves by Peter Burns

A fantasy novel set 100 years ago similar to the Harry Potter genre, children are trained in a boarding school in the skills of thieving and dishonesty. **Perfect for children in Year 5 & 6.**



Stars of the Week

**DONALDSON
CARLE
MORRIS
TAN**

Stars will start in the next newsletter

Outside Achievements

Congratulations to Alex Langridge, Chloe Wijesekera & Edward Warner-Smith in Morris Class, Douglas Warner-Smith in Carle Class and Ella Mason & Jessica Langridge in Tan Class for completing the Summer Reading Challenge, to Effie Crowe in Carle Class for achieving her Level 2 swimming certificate and for reading over 40 books during the summer holidays & to Alyssa Ramasamy in Tan Class for winning the Lamex Cup, The Ickenham Youth Tournament, the One Tournament, the Shefford Tournament, the Harefield Tournament, the Kings Langley Tournament and the Aylesbury Vale Dynamos Tournament with her football team Girls Pro. Well done.

Don't forget to let us know about your child's outside achievements. Even better, send the certificate or trophies in to be presented in school.



Welcome Back to a Brand-New School Year with FoWS!

As the new term gets underway, we're thrilled to reconnect with our wonderful school community. At **Friends of Weston School (FoWS)**, the heartbeat of our efforts is simple: working together makes everything better.

Whether you're a parent, caregiver, family member, or supporter, there's no better moment to get involved and make an impact.

So Many Ways to Support

There are loads of ways you can help FoWS this year, including:

- Volunteering your time and skills
- Joining the committee to help shape events and fundraising
- Setting up a regular donation or making a one-off gift
- Coming along to fundraising events
- Providing in-kind donations or professional services
- Easyfundraising while you shop
- Sponsorship opportunities for local businesses
- Even spreading the word about FoWS to friends and neighbours

Every little bit of support, big or small, makes a real difference to our school and our children.

👉 To explore all the ways you can get involved, [simply visit the support page at our website.](#)

And with the **FoWS AGM coming up soon**, it's the perfect time to find out more about what we do, put your ideas forward, or even join the committee. Watch this space for your invite!

Together, let's make this school year full of warmth, creativity, and community spirit. ❤️

QUIZ NIGHT

WHEN

Friday 17th October @ 19:00

WHERE

Weston Village Hall

To raise valuable funds for:


FoWS
Friends of Weston School



CHERRY TOES
Baby & Toddler Group

ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY

£15 per person
*(includes fish & chip
supper or cheese
pasty & chips.
Gluten reduced
option available)*

Tickets available
from:

The Village Shop
or Claire Mason

07542 137066

Claire.lisa.mason@hotmail.co.uk

CASH & CARD BAR



RAFFLE PRIZES TO BE WON



WESTON ORGAN DAY.

Sat. Sept 27.

HOLY TRINITY,
Weston, Nr Hitchin,
SG4 7DJ.

Come along and watch the

MASTERCLASS

2-00 till 4-00

With Anne Page and the Beds & Herts Org. Assoc.

Open console & HAVE-A-GO

4-00 till 5-00

Then join us at the Cricketers,* buy your own meal
before the

RECITAL by ANNE PAGE

Bach,
Handel,

7-30

Schumann,
Lionel Rogg.

All free! (but donations welcome)

* The Cricketers, Damack Green, Weston, SG4 7DA - contact hilarybailey44@gmail.com
to book.
§ HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, WESTON - SG4 7DJ