

Friday 4th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome back to the Autumn Term! I do hope that this letter finds you well and having had a lovely summer. It has been lovely to catch up with many of you in the last day or so and to hear the excited stories from the children about their adventures and experiences over the holiday.

The children have made an excellent start to the new term and it has been wonderful to watch them settle in to their new classes, and of course, to get to know some of our newest members of the school, Merlin Class.



Yesterday, in my first whole-school assembly of the year, we spent time talking about our aims and ambitions for the year. I also spoke to the children about our school values and what makes our school such a special place to be. It was lovely to welcome some new pupils to our school and we discussed the importance of making people feel welcome and trying to be a good friend to all.

I have very much enjoyed walking around the school this week and can certainly say that I have been impressed with the approach of the children so far, they have quickly adapted to the new routines of their new classes and it has been lovely to see so much focus, care and quality going into their work. Outside of the classroom, the children have enjoyed making use of the restructure that has taken place to the interior of the outdoor classroom, enabling the children to utilise this space more effectively than before. My sincere thanks goes to our Handyman, Mr Whitemore, for his craftsmanship over the summer holidays.



Safeguarding



**Keeping
children safe
is everyone's
responsibility**

Safeguarding is the responsibility of everybody. In terms of keeping children safe, please "Don't think, 'What if I'm wrong?' Think... 'What if I am right'". If you have any concerns about a pupil, you should report this to a member of staff immediately. If you feel a pupil is at risk or a subject of abuse, you must contact the Designated Safeguarding Team immediately. The Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mr Clark and Deputy Designated Safeguarding leads are Mrs Bell, Mrs Bridgeman and Miss Hellyer. If you are ever worried about a child or young person who could be in danger, please contact Children's Social Care on 0300 123 2224 or via email on childrens@somerset.gov.uk.

Attendance Matters



Well done to Merlin and Buzzard classes who achieved 100% attendance this week! Our whole school attendance so far this academic year stands at 96.9% and our school target is for 97%.

It is incredibly important that our children attend school as much as they possibly can to make the most of their learning opportunities. Our teachers work hard to provide an engaging, purposeful and inspiring curriculum and we don't want our children to miss out on it. Thank you, as ever, for your support in maintaining regular school attendance for your child/children.

Merlin 100%	Kestrel 96.2%	Osprey 92.3%
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Buzzard 100%	Eagle 99.1%	Hobby 95.6%
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PTFA

- Our PTFA are looking for parent helpers for their fundraising events. Whether you can help in part or for a whole event, any help would be gratefully received. Please email wz-p-t-f-a@hotmail.com. Thank you.
- Monday 7th September –PTFA AGM to be held at the school from 6:30pm. All welcome! Please see posters below.

Upcoming key dates

- Meet The Teacher w/c 7th September – Miss Touchin has emailed today with further details.
- After-school activity clubs begin w/c 14th September – information will be sent out next week.
- Monday 28th September – Individual school photographs.

Notices

- Packed lunch boxes: In recent times we have had some children bring in a lunchbox in addition to the hot meal that their parents will have ordered for them. Our caterers, Beech Catering, kindly allow the children to return for seconds and they are very well-fed. For this reason, can parents and carers please ensure that they don't send their child into school with a lunchbox of food if they also have a hot meal ordered from our caterers. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.
- School website – Any visitors to our website from Monday will notice it has a new look! Please bear with us whilst we ensure all content is up to date following the launch of the new site.

I imagine that the children will be very tired this evening and I do hope that you all have a relaxing, restful and enjoyable weekend.

With very best wishes,



WESTONZOYLAND
PTFA



PTFA AGM



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



7TH
SEPTEMBER



6.30PM



AT THE
SCHOOL

EVERYONE WELCOME
TO COME ALONG!



We'd love to see as many parents and carers as possible at our AGM. It's a great opportunity to find out what we've been up to and share ideas for the year ahead.

If you're interested in joining the committee or would just like to find out more about what we do, please come along.



*Together we can make a big difference
for our school!*



WESTONZOYLAND
PTFA

LOOK WHAT WE'VE ACHIEVED TOGETHER THIS YEAR!

ANOTHER AMAZING YEAR OF FUNDRAISING,
FUN AND MAKING A DIFFERENCE FOR OUR SCHOOL

EVENTS WE'VE HELD

-  Discos
-  Movie Night
-  Christmas Party
-  Westonzoyland Wonka Bars
-  Pancake Flip
-  Quiz Night
-  Name the Lamb
-  Book Exchange
-  Summer Fayre

TOTAL RAISED ACROSS
THE YEAR

£6,500

WE'VE CONTRIBUTED TO

-  Pantomime Trip
-  Class Trips
-  Phonics Books
-  SATS Revision Resources
-  New Buddy Bench
-  Christmas Crackers
-  Christmas Baubles
-  Year 6 First Aid Course
-  Author for World Book Day
-  Year 6 Hoodies
-  Sports Day Ice Creams

TOTAL CONTRIBUTION
TO THE SCHOOL

£5,000

TOTAL EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR £7,600



THANK YOU



WE COULDN'T HAVE DONE THIS WITHOUT
OUR AMAZING SCHOOL COMMUNITY!



OUTDOOR CINEMA

SATURDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER



1:30PM



4:30PM

ST MATTHEWS FIELD, BRIDGWATER