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Weekly Newsletter

It's been yet another busy week at Wembury!!



Wow! What a great addition to our Science Week(s) activities! Our Whacky Forest is well on its way thanks to Societrees, the children in Foundation and Key Stage 1 and, of course, Mushy. The children have been planting trees, reading Mushy's second book of adventures and finding out about the importance of mushrooms to the growth of trees. Our micro forest is starting to really take shape!



This week we welcomed Wojtek for a fun workshop on Lego and Robotics. The children learnt so much, building on their computing work on computer technology and algorithms.



Another great STEAM day for Y2 on Thursday, with the one and only Isambard Kingdom Brunel. The children have learnt so much about this famous engineer.

Thank you to FrOWS for helping us fund these brilliant experiences for our children. It really has science come to life for them.

Interhouse Boccia Event Y5/6 Tuesday Y3/4 Wednesday



Children in Key Stage 2 will be taking part in a Boccia Event next week. This is a precision, Paralympic target sport similar to bowls, originally designed for athletes with physical impairments but it is fun for everyone to play. Played seated on a court, players throw, kick, or use a ramp to roll leather balls as close as possible to a white target ball, the "jack". It requires immense strategy and accuracy. Please could the children bring their PE kits into school that day.

Play Day 2026.

*Children Parents Relatives Friends Neighbours
you are invited to*

Wembury PLAYDAY

*Wednesday 1 April
Wembury Primary School
An ALL DAY festival of music making*

MUSIC IS GOOD FOR YOU

*Children will sing and play together and classes
will share what they have been doing in
curriculum music sessions this term*

*And there will be instrumental and vocal
performances from individuals and small groups*

Come and join the celebration

Drop in to listen at any time

*9.30am
to 3pm*

*If you would like to take part, please complete
and return the form to school, by 11 March*

Programme available from Monday 23 March

*Many thanks
Noelle Boucherat - Music Specialist*

Universal Free School Meals and Free School Meals

Did you know in EYFS/KS1 that even though your child is provided with a Universal free school meal, you can generate extra funding for the school if you are entitled to Free School Meals by simply logging on to the Citizen Portal?

All children in Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2 at state schools in England automatically get free school meals. However, parents and guardians are encouraged to apply for free school meals when they enrol their child in school, as this can help their child's school to attract additional 'pupil premium' funding to support learning. From Year 3 onwards, children whose parents are eligible for free school meals will attract the Pupil Premium funding. From the start of September 2026 the government have announced [new entitlement to free school meals for all children in household on Universal Credit](#). **This means that from the start of the 2026/27 school year (September 2026), every pupil whose household is on Universal Credit will be eligible for Free School Meals. As it stands, the eligibility criteria that is currently in place will remain until the end of the 2025/26 academic year.** So, any claimants in receipt of Universal Credit will need to earn under the thresholds set out by the government: -

- **Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)**

If you believe you earn under the threshold, but the [Devon Citizens Portal](#) has found you not to be eligible, send us your **last three months of Universal Credit Statements in full** for us to manually assess. These can be sent as screenshots or as a PDF

REMINDER - PARENT ELECTION BALLOT FRIDAY 20TH MARCH - 3RD APRIL 2026

[WCC 5 Parent Election – Ballot – Fill out form](#)

WCC 5 Parent Election – Ballot

Following the close of the nomination period for the Elected Parent WeST Community Council (WCC) Member vacancies, we are pleased to announce that the next stage of the election process is now underway.

The ballot opens Friday 20th March 2026, closing Friday 3rd April 2026 . All eligible parent/carer voters are invited to take part.

For the avoidance of doubt, eligibility is based off you being a parent / carer in one of the WCC 5 schools (WEM, AFA, SVS, ORE, MM).

*As outlined in the WeST appointment process, this stage runs for **10 school days**, during which ballot information will be circulated to all parent voters.*

Your participation is really important. The Elected Parent WCC Member role plays a key part in representing the voice of families across our school community, supporting local governance, and helping shape the lived experience of children across our WeST schools.

What happens now?

- Ballot papers/information have been circulated to all parent voters.
- Parents/carers have **10 school days** to cast their vote.
- Once voting closes, all votes will be **validated, counted and recorded** in line with WeST's governance procedures.
- The candidate with the highest number of verified votes will move to the **appointment stage**, subject to Safer Recruitment checks and completing WCC induction.

Thank you for taking the time to support this important part of our Trust's local governance. By voting, you are helping ensure parent voice continues to be represented at the heart of our decision-making.

If you have any questions at all, please reach out.

Kindest regards

Jade Elson
Governance Officer

Westcountry School Trust

Yealm Estuary to Moor- Annual Meeting Saturday 21st March – Wembury Marine Centre



Yealm Estuary to Moor (YEM)
Annual Meeting

Sat 21 March Wembury Marine Centre

- 11.00 - 11.45 YEM AGM
- 13.00-15.00 Coastal Visit

Come and explore Wembury Stream & go on a Rock pool safari

For further info or book a place please contact dianelcastle@icloud.com

YEM in collaboration with with Devon Wildlife Trust, National Trust and South Devon National Landscapes

Dates and Events for Spring Term

Here is a link to our website that leads to our calendar page.

[Wembury School Calendar](#)

Kind Regards

Sam Wilkinson