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NEWSLETTER 10 - 21ST NOVEMBER 2018



FOOD FOR LIFE CHRISTMAS FAIR TODAY 3PM - 4.30PM



Entrance 20p per adult - children free

Thanks to everyone who has donated tombola prizes and buns.



The Book People book fair will be here on Wednesday 21st November at our Christmas Fair. The Book Fair will then be available between 8.30am and 8.55am in the school hall if you would like to choose a book with your child on Thursday 22nd November to Wednesday 28th November.

If you are unable to choose a book with your child but they would still like one, please complete the form sent home last week and return it to school in an envelope with the correct money. Any cheques should be made payable to Yeadon Westfield Infant School

LUNCHTIME QUESTIONNAIRES

Thank you to everyone who returned the Lunchtime Questionnaire - the feedback was very positive. One of the main concerns was portion size which has been addressed with the servers. We will also be making some adjustments to a small number of the meals. We would like to update the school cookbook to include some of your suggested healthy recipes as well. Please could you send in your recipe and a photo of you cooking it with your child. Thanks

SMOKING IN THE SCHOOL GROUNDS

Please could we remind parents/carers that smoking is not permitted in the school grounds (this includes e-cigarettes). We would ask that parents/carers be respectful outside the school grounds and not smoke near the gates when children are coming in to school. Thank you for your co-operation.

THE WOODEN TRAIL

For health and safety reasons the wooden trail is out of bounds until further notice. The suppliers have been booked to carry out some maintenance work.

CHILDREN IN NEED

Thanks to everyone who supported Children in Need. We raised £138.72.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR NURERY PARENTS

If you have been asked to revalidate your 30 hour code, please let Mrs Middleton know you have done so by Wednesday 28th November as she is required to submit the information to Leeds City Council prior to the additional hours being taken. If this is not done you will only be entitled to a maximum of 15 hours in January. Please email her on sbm@westfieldinfants.co.uk .

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Attendance Stars week commencing 12/11/2018 were Reception Red with 98.5%
Our school's attendance target is 97% and last week we got 97.9%

The Punctuality Stars were Year 2 Blue and Year 2 Red with no late arrivals
There were 11 instances of late arrival resulting in 1 hour 20 minutes lost learning time.

Class	Authorised Absences	Unauthorised Absences	Attendance	No. Late Arrivals	No. Children Late
Reception Blue	5	0	98.2%	3	1
Reception Red	4	0	98.5%	3	3
Year 1 Blue	7	1	97.6%	1	1
Year 1 Red	4	0	98.3%	4	3
Year 2 Blue	5	0	98.3%	0	0
Year 2 Red	10	1	96.6%	0	0

OPEN DAYS – COME AND SHARE YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING

We would like to invite parents and carers into school to share their child's learning. Children will have the opportunity to show their books and the learning they have done this term. We look forward to seeing you.



- NURSERY: Wednesday 12th December, 9.00am–10.00am and 2.00pm–3.00pm
- RECEPTION: Wednesday 12th December, 9.00am – 9.30pm
- YEARS 1 & 2: Friday 7th December, 2.30pm – 3.00pm

Please go to your child's classroom door. Thank you.

REMINDERS

PARENT VOICE - FRIDAY 23RD NOVEMBER 2018



PARENT VOICE takes place on **Friday 23rd November at 9.15am** in the staff room with Ms Lowry, Mrs Fryer and Mrs Middleton. PARENT VOICE is your opportunity to mention any concerns and make any suggestions you may have regarding our school. All parents/carers are welcome, so come along for a coffee or tea and biscuits, and let us know your views, ask questions and help us work together.

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR NURSERY AND YEAR 2 CHILDREN



If your child was born between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015 they should start primary school in September 2019. You must apply for a school place before 15 January 2019. **If your child is in Year 2 you will also need to apply for a place in the Junior School.** More details can be found on the [Leeds City Council Website](#).

Yeadon Westfield Infant and Junior Schools will be having Open Days on the following dates:

Tuesday 4th December 2018, 1.15pm – 2.30pm

Thursday 10th January 2019, 9.15am - 10.30am and 5.45pm – 7.00pm

LUNCHTIME INVITE FOR PARENTS/CARERS OF RECEPTION, YR 1 AND YR 2 CHILDREN

Please remember if you would like to sample our lunchtime experience, contact the school office by 3pm on the Wednesday of the week before you would like to come. Places are limited to 10 per day and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. If you have any special dietary requirements or food allergies please let the school office know at the time of booking. **Please be aware for health and safety reasons we cannot accommodate younger siblings.**

Dates available to book this half term are 05/12/2018 and 12/12/2018

GOVERNING BODY NEWS

GOVERNOR PROFILE – ELIZABETH MIDDLETON



My name is Elizabeth Middleton and I am the School Business Manager and staff governor representative. I have worked at school for 10 years and both my children attended Westfield. My role as a governor is to challenge and help school plan strategically for the future. My main area is finance and I am responsible, along with the head teacher, for managing the school budget. I prepare reports for governors and explain the decisions behind setting the budget. I enjoy my role as a governor very much.

SUZANNE AKEROYD - FOOD FOR LIFE NATIONAL ROAST DINNER DAY

On Wednesday 14th November I was invited by the School Council, Eco/SNAG groups to enjoy a school dinner together with other school volunteers and members of the local community. It was Food For Life National Roast Dinner Day which always seems to be a firm favourite of the children and I can now see why. I chose the vegetarian option of a quorn fillet together with the usual roast

dinner accompaniments of veg, roast potatoes and Yorkshire puddings followed by a cake. It was roast beef for those who wanted the meat option.

It was really lovely to see the table servers taking responsibility for making sure their fellow pupils had a plate full of food and the children tucking in. There didn't seem to be much waste food left which is testament to the quality of the dinner provided. It was also pleasing to see how well behaved the children were, how they efficiently cleared away their finished meals ready for pudding, and when the volume levels were a little high they responded well to a prompt to lower their voices.



After lunch I went out into the playground to play with the children. Again it was really pleasing to see the range of lunchtime activities and toys that were available for the children to play with. Every child seemed to be engaged with something fun and active no doubt fuelled by their roast dinner. A big thank you to all the children for inviting me to enjoy lunchtime with them. I look forward to my next invite.

Suzanne Akeroyd
Chair of Governors

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

(Any new dates will be added in red)

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Wednesday	21/11/2018	3.00pm – 4.30pm	Food for Life Christmas Fair
Friday	23/11/2018	9.15am	Parent Voice –all welcome
Monday	26/11/2018	All week	Food for Life Week – more information to follow
Wednesday	28/11/2018	All day	Reception trip to Abbey House Museum – more details to follow
Friday	07/12/2018	2.30pm – 3.00pm	Keystage 1 (Years 1 and 2) Open Afternoon – come and share your child's learning
Wednesday	12/12/2018	9.00am-10.00am 2.00pm-3.00pm	Nursery Open Day – come and share your child's learning.
Wednesday	12/12/2018	9.00am – 9.30am	Reception Open Morning – come and share your child's learning
Monday	17/12/2018	9.10am	Reception/Year 1/Year 2 Nativity
Tuesday	18/12/2018	9.10am	Reception/Year 1/Year 2 Nativity
Wednesday	19/12/2018	9.10am	Reception/Year 1/Year 2 Nativity
Wednesday	19/12/2018	2.30pm	Nursery Christmas Sing-a-long – more details to follow
Thursday	20/12/2018	9.10am	Whole School Trip to St John's Church
Thursday	20/12/2018	Midday	Christmas dinner – children who normally have a packed lunch will be able to book a Christmas dinner nearer the time.
Thursday	20/12/2018	1.45pm-3.00pm	PSA Christmas Disco – Nursery and Reception
Thursday	20/12/2018	3.00pm-4.15pm	PSA Christmas Disco – Year 1 and Year 2
Friday	21/12/2018	3pm	School closes for the Christmas Break
Monday	07/01/2018	8.55am	School opens for the Spring Term

COMMUNITY NEWS

BIKE SMART

Cycling, as a way of travelling, has become incredibly popular in the last few years and people are making more of an effort to incorporate cycling into their daily lives. Cycling is well known for being one of the healthiest, cheapest and most environmentally friendly forms of transport available.

With the theme of this year's Road Safety Week being 'Bike Smart', it is important for drivers to be aware of how to drive safely around both motorcyclists and cyclists. To ensure that everyone is safe on the roads. That's why this year Leeds City Council's Influencing Travel Behaviour Team (ITB) are supporting Brake's road safety event which will be held in Victoria Gardens on Tuesday 20th November 2018.

The ITB team will be engaging with the public by encouraging road users, particularly drivers, to look out for cyclists and motorcyclists and give them sufficient space on the roads. Other key priorities for the ITB team are to provide information on safe routes and using appropriate equipment while cycling and motorcycling.

AIREBOROUGH PARTNERSHIP –TEACHER TRAINING OPPORTUNITY

If you already have a degree and are interested in training to be a primary teacher, we have a great opportunity available. Yeadon Westfield Infants is joining together with 4 other local primary schools to offer PGCE teacher training through Leeds Beckett University, next academic year (2019-20). UCAS is now accepting applications for this course. Access the UCAS teacher training website and search 'Aireborough Partnership', course code '2JF'. Here you will find more details about the course. If you would like any more information about this fantastic opportunity, please contact Ms Lowry through the school office.



The flyer is divided into two main sections. The left section features a large yellow banner with the 'Aireborough Partnership' logo (a key) and the text 'Unlocking Potential'. Below this, it asks 'Do you want to get into Primary School Teaching?' and lists three benefits: training locally in a small group of primary schools in the Rawdon and Yeadon area, and working with supportive, experienced staff. It also lists the partner schools: Rawdon St. Peter's C of E Primary School, Yeadon Westfield Infant School, Yeadon Westfield Junior School, Queensway Primary School, and St Peter and Paul Catholic Primary School. The right section is titled 'What you need to know' and states that starting in September 2019, the intensive PGCE course will allow you to qualify with qualified teacher status (QTS) within a year. It details that training is provided by Leeds Beckett University and includes 3 teaching placements in different classes across the primary age range (5-11). It also includes the quote: 'Teaching is one of the most rewarding professions there is, and this is an opportunity not to be missed!'. The bottom section, 'What happens next', instructs applicants to log in to the DfE portal and search 'Aireborough Partnership' (UCAS course code 39SP), with a link to the UCAS website. It concludes with an email address: aireboroughpartnership@rawdonstpeters.co.uk.

Aireborough Partnership
Unlocking Potential

Do you want to get into Primary School Teaching?

- Do you want to train locally in a small group of primary schools in the Rawdon and Yeadon area?
- Do you want to work with supportive, experienced staff?

We may have the course for you!
Turn over for more information

What you need to know

Starting September 2019, this intensive teacher training course will allow you to qualify with qualified teacher status (QTS) within a year.

Working with Leeds Beckett University, you will have key training provided by the university and 3 teaching placements in different classes in our partner schools across the primary age range (5-11). Our experienced staff and mentors will guide you to become the best primary teacher you can possibly be and start your career to change lives for the better.

Teaching is one of the most rewarding professions there is, and this is an opportunity not to be missed!

What happens next

Log in to the DfE portal and search 'Aireborough Partnership' (UCAS course code 39SP). For more information visit:
www.gov.uk/guidance/find-postgraduate-teacher-training-courses-in-england

If you require any further information, send us an email and we will be happy to help.
aireboroughpartnership@rawdonstpeters.co.uk

COMMUNICATIONS SINCE LAST NEWSLETTER

Copies of the letters can be found in the [Letters and Forms](#) section of our school website.

LETTERS: Nativity Letter – Reception, Year 1 and Year 2
St John's Trip Letter

WEBSITE UPDATES: Achievements



Our FUNtastic Out of School Club runs from the Infant School Annex building on the school site and offers before and afterschool care during term time. For more information or to have a look round, please call Nicola on 07947 600494 or pick up a brochure from the School reception.

KANGAROO KIDS – NOW OPEN

Yeadon Westfield Infant School, Westfield Grove, Yeadon, Leeds, LS19 7NQ

Telephone: 07799 472578

Kangaroo kids pre-school already provides experienced quality day care for children at Queensway Primary School. This is now being extended to Yeadon Westfield Infant School in the annexe building with provision for 2 year olds.



Open: Monday-9am -3pm, Tuesday-9am-3pm, Wednesday 12pm-3pm, Thursday 9am-3pm, Friday 9am-3pm
Funding available for 2 year olds. Each 3 hour session will be £12 and the full days will be £25 including snacks and a healthy lunch. Please contact us on 0779947257 to secure a place for September.