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# NEWSLETTER 15 - 10TH JANUARY 2024

# Happy New Year from Yeadon Westfield Infant School

# IMPORTANT REMINDER CHILDREN STARTING RECEPTION & YEAR 3 IN SEPTEMBER 2024 APPLICATION DEADLINE 15<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2024

The deadline to apply for a Reception or Year 3 place is 15 January 2024. Please remember that although your child is guaranteed a place at Yeadon Westfield Junior School, you still have to submit an application. There is more information about how to apply on Leeds City Council website <a href="https://www.leeds.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/apply-for-a-primary-school">https://www.leeds.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/apply-for-a-primary-school</a>.

#### **ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS**







Congratulations to the children who received awards in assembly on Monday 18/12/2023.

More photographs are available on the website

https://www.westfieldinfants.co.uk/page/achievements/63794

#### **INFORMATION WE HOLD ABOUT YOUR CHILD**

Please help us keep our records up to date by informing us of any changes to the following information about your child:-

- Address
- Emergency contact Information including names and telephone numbers
- Child's registered doctor and medical practice
- Email address for first contact (this is where the weekly newsletter will be sent)
- Medical conditions and allergies
- Arrangements for collecting your child from school

Please email any changes to admin@westfieldinfants.co.uk

#### **MULTI COLOURED MONDAY FOR LEEDS MIND - 15 JANUARY 2024**

The third Monday of January is often referred to as 'the hardest day of the year', but Leeds Mind would like to mark the day in a different, more vibrant way – Multicoloured Monday! We are joining them in their fundraising by asking the children to wear something multicoloured/bright with their uniform and donate £1 to Leeds Mind. Children could wear a bright/multicoloured jumper instead



of their school jumper or bright/multicoloured socks. Donations can be made in cash in the classroom or on School Spider.

Leeds Mind promotes positive mental health and wellbeing and provides help and support to anyone who needs it in and around Leeds. They offer many services including counselling, peer support, social prescribing, employment support, suicide bereavement support, creative wellbeing activities, mental health training and more. You can find out more on their website <a href="https://www.leedsmind.org.uk/">https://www.leedsmind.org.uk/</a>.

## CENSUS DAY LUNCH - THURSDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY

For Census Day on Thursday 18th January there will be a change to the menu:-

Sausage (or vegetarian/vegan sausage) in a bun, chips and beans Arctic roll

On Census Day school receives funding based on the number of children taking a school meal. If your child usually has a packed lunch on this day, we would be really grateful if you would support us by ordering a school lunch for your child. Please contact the school office on 0113 2505449 or (£2 charge applies for Nursery children; Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children are free).

#### **NURSERY PLACES SEPTEMBER 2024**

If your child was born between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021 and you would like to register for them to start our nursery in September 2024, please contact Mrs Middleton at <a href="mailto:sbm@westfieldinfants.co.uk">sbm@westfieldinfants.co.uk</a>. You can also call in and pick up a form from the school office.

#### FEBRUARY HALF TERM FOOTBALL COURSE



Please use the link below to book:-

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=oG8qla3a8Uy5IVNAVr7OhrcJm7HPHzRIvOjrpcvDwlhURUhPQUg3WExQVzNDQkFMUjZWN0syMUUyNy4u

### NO PHONES AT HOME DAY - SATURDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY

Smart phones and devices are an intrinsic part of our daily lives. We know people need them for their home and work life. However, the rise in mental health issues amongst children and young people has been significant in recent years. Recent studies show up to 91% of 11-year-olds own a smart phone. We know that there is a healthier way of utilising these important resources, which doesn't have such a negative impact on the essential foundations of a happy, healthy family life.

No Phones at Home Day was founded by psychologist and psychotherapist, Dr Charlotte Armitage. Through her own observations through working with families, young children, educators, and those in the media, she could see the negative impact the increasing use and reliance on smart devices was having on psychological, mental, and emotional wellbeing and development. The first No Phones at Home Day was launched in January 2023, and the creation of No Phones At Home CIC followed.

No Phones at Home Day is an opportunity for families to set some dedicated time aside away from the devices. It enables time for reflection and sets a conscious boundary to enjoy screen free time to get creative, talk, listen, dance, bake, walk, swim, play game – the list is endless.

The ultimate aim of the No Phones at Home initiative is to support healthy psychological development by encouraging boundaries and limits on device use because devices serve as a barrier to healthy psychological, interpersonal, emotional and social development.

No Phones at Home Day 2024 will take place on Saturday 20th January. There is more information on their website <a href="https://nophonesathome.com/">https://nophonesathome.com/</a>

#### YEADON WESTFIELD JUNIOR SCHOOL CONSULTATION

Yeadon Westfield Junior School are consulting on reducing their Published Admission Number for 2025/2026. More information can be found on their website: <a href="https://www.yeadonwestfield-jun.leeds.sch.uk/school-admissions/">https://www.yeadonwestfield-jun.leeds.sch.uk/school-admissions/</a>. There will be a consultation meeting at Yeadon Westfield Junior School on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at 6pm.

# **USEFUL WEBSITE LINKS**

Keep up to date with school news and blogs by downloading the School Spider parents app and selecting Yeadon Westfield Infant School. To receive instant messages and use the payment facility you will need to log in.



#### SECOND HAND UNIFORM AND THE WESTFIELD PANTRY

Parents and carers at Westfield Infants have access to our stock of second hand uniform and food parcels from The Westfield Pantry. To find out more information, please follow the links below:-

- The Westfield Pantry
- Second Hand Uniform

#### PUPIL PREMIUM AND FREE SCHOOL MEALS

If you're on benefits and your child is entitled to universal infant free school meals anyway or brings a packed lunch, it's still important to register for a free school meal to ensure school doesn't miss out on funding called pupil premium. Find out more information on our <u>school website</u>.

#### **EASY FUNDRAISING**

Please support Yeadon Westfield Infant School at <u>Easy Fundraising</u> when doing your everyday shopping.



# **GOVERNOR NEWS**

#### **GOVERNOR PROFILE - CARLY SCARGILL**

Hi I'm Carly Scargill and I have had 3 children thrive at this school. I became a Parent Governor to try and give something back and I'm looking forward to spending time here! In my spare time I love walking my dog, reading and all things nature related!



## STARS BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB NEWS

Happy New Year and welcome back to our STARS children. The children have been enjoying winter craft activities and colouring in or creating their own pictures.

STARS Before and After School Club is open to children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 & 2 and siblings at the Junior school. To find out more information about opening times and prices, please visit the <u>STARS page</u> on our website. To arrange a visit to STARS, please contact the school office on 0113 2505449.



# **COMMUNICATIONS SINCE LAST NEWSLETTER**

EMAILS:	21/12/2023 – Reminder Lego Club (Year 1&2)	
	21/12/2023 – Year 2 PE Days for next half term	
	21/12/2023 - Class Information Sheet Yr 1&2 - Spring Term	
	22/12/2023 – Year 1 PE Days Spring Term	
	22/12/2023 – Reception Class Information Sheet	
	22/12/2023 – Keystage 1 Nativity	
	22/12/2023 - Reception Nativity	
	08/01/2024 – Reminder After School Clubs	
	08/01/2024 – PE in Reception	
	08/01/2024 - School Census day Lunch (packed lunch children	
	only)	
SENT HOME VIA CLASS:	St John's Church flyer	
COLLECTING:	Batteries for recycling, pens for recycling, cardboard boxes to	
	make castles	
WEBSITE UPDATES:	Achievements, Nativity videos, Class blogs	

# **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT	
Monday	15/01/2024	All day	Children can wear Multi coloured clothing (£1	
			donation to Leeds Mind)	
Thursday	18/01/2024	All day	School Census day	
Friday	26/01/2024	9am	Parent Voice	
W/C	05/02/2024	3.10pm – 3.30pm	Shared Learning – more details to follow	
Friday	09/02/2024	3.10pm	School closes for the half term break	
Monday	19/02/2024	8.40am	School opens for Spring Term 2	

# Aireborough Children's Centre



# Activity Timetable SPRING 2024



Guiseley Guiseley Primary School Oxford Road, LS20 9DA TEL: 01943 874100	Queensway Queensway Primary School Coppice Wood Ave, LS19 7LF TEL: 01943 874925 (Ext 5)	
Childminders Group 9.00-11.30am Term time only	Baby Play & Weigh 9.00-10.30am Mainly term time only	Monday
Baby Massage 1.00-2.00pm Call the Centre to book a place	See our Facebook page for the latest info	Tuesday
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<b>Bosom Buddies</b> 9.30-11.00am	Little Rascals 9.30-11.00am Term time only	Thursday
Staff out & about in the community	Read & Explore 10.00-11.00am Term time only	Friday

Our dedicated team can support with: Benefits advice, finance & budgeting, mental health support, healthy relationships, parenting strategies, information & advice.