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NEWSLETTER 6 - 18TH OCTOBER 2023

HARVEST COLLECTION AND ASSEMBLY

Please remember we are collecting the following items for The Westfield Pantry:-



Soups, Beans, Pasta, Rice, Noodles, Hot dogs, Meatballs, Tinned Stew, Tinned Meat, Tinned Curry, Tinned Beans & Sausage, Jelly, Tinned Fruit, Custard, Rice Pudding, Shampoo, Toothpaste, Deodorant, Shower Gel, Plasters, Toilet Rolls, Kitchen Rolls, Washing Up Liquid, Cereal, Jam, UHT Milk.

If you requested a ticket for the Harvest Assembly it has been sent home this week. If you requested an additional ticket it will be coming home tonight.

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



Headteacher Tea Party 13/10/2023

Congratulations to the children who went to the Headteacher's tea party on Friday.

More photographs are available on the website

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

PARKING OUTSIDE SCHOOL

Please could we remind parents and carers not to run their engines when parking near school. Thanks for your co-operation.

DROPPING OFF AND COLLECTING CHILDREN FROM SCHOOL

Please remember we operate a one way system for dropping off and collecting children. Parents and carers of Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children should enter the site using the lower gate and exit through the gate at the top of the slope.

REQUEST FOR OUTDOOR TOYS

We would be grateful for any donations of outdoor playsets you no longer use (eg. garden jenga, giant snakes and ladders, large dominoes). We are also looking for cars and trucks for the children to play with outside.

WONDERDOME IN KEYSTAGE 1

The Year 1 and 2 children really enjoyed the Wonderdome on Monday. Thank you to everyone who made a contribution towards the cost. We have received £144.47 towards the £379 cost. If you would still like to contribute payments can be made in cash at the office or on School Spider.

BAG 2 SCHOOL FRIDAY 10TH NOVEMBER

Bag 2 School work in partnership with schools to help raise funds from your donations of unwanted clothing. Bags are being sent home at the end of this week - you can use extra bin liners if needed. They need to be returned to the school office after the half term holiday, by 9am on Friday 10th November. They accept the following items for reuse:-

- Good quality adult and children's clothing
- Paired shoes
- Hats
- Belts
- Handbags
- Soft toys
- Bedding (No duvets, pillows or cushions)
- Curtains
- Towels



Work and school uniforms not accepted.

PARENT CONSULTATION APPOINTMENTS

Parent Consultation Appointments with your child's class teacher will take place the week commencing 13th November in school. There are evening appointments available on Monday and Tuesday, and some afternoon appointments throughout the week. If you would prefer an online appointment, please email admin@westfieldinfants.co.uk

Slots will be available to book from 1pm on Monday 23rd October via the School Spider App or by logging into the school website (www.westfieldinfants.co.uk) using your School Spider login details (Parent Login at top left of the Homepage).

ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

We aim for all children to achieve at least 97% attendance. This means that children should only be absent from school when they are too ill to attend. For safeguarding it is important all reasons for absence are recorded accurately on our school register.

Please report all sickness absences to the school office before 8:30 am. You can telephone 0113 2505449 or email admin@westfieldinfants.co.uk. Absences due to sickness can also be reported via our School Spider app.

Please make all medical appointments outside of the school day wherever possible. If you do need to take your child out of school for a medical appointment, please email a copy of the appointment letter or screen shot of the appointment text to admin@westfieldinfants.co.uk.

If you need to take your child out of school during term time for any other reason, please complete an Exceptional Circumstances form available from the school office stating the reason for absence. Family holidays are not considered exceptional but each case is looked at individually. It is important we know if your child is going to be absent due to a holiday so they are able to talk about it in class. The children love to share their experiences.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

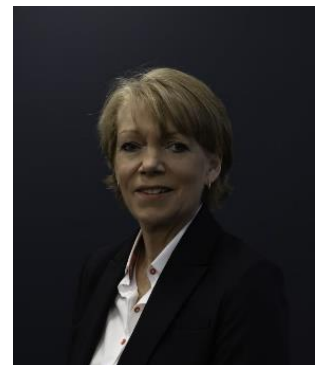
School photograph proofs are coming home tonight. Deadline for ordering is 7th November – details about how to order are on the proof card.

GOVERNOR NEWS

Over the next few weeks we will be introducing our Governors in the weekly newsletter, starting with Amanda Stainton.

GOVERNOR PROFILE – AMANDA STANTON

I am delighted to take on the role of Chair of Governors working with our Head and my fellow Governors to ensure that the school continues to deliver a wonderful experience for our pupils, parents and staff. I am also the lead Governor for Safeguarding and Child Protection. My own boys are now young men so it is a while since I had to consider early years education but as a recently 'retired' HR professional who worked on the Board of a large European manufacturing business – Portakabin – I am passionate about the role of education and the importance of people in a successful business. I live nearby in Burley in Wharfedale and when I get spare time I enjoy keeping fit, reading, helping out on our allotment and being creative either cooking, sewing or even knitting.



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 [school website](#).

EASY FUNDRAISING

Please support Yeadon Westfield Infant School at [Easy Fundraising](#) when doing your everyday shopping.



STARS BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB NEWS

At STARS this week we have been enjoying spooky Halloween activities and playing in the Autumn leaves.



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 [STARS page](#) on our website.

COMMUNICATIONS SINCE LAST NEWSLETTER

EMAILS:	12/10/2023 – Dog Faeces in Reception Outdoor Area 12/10/2023 – Wonderdome Visit (Year 1 and Year 2) 13/10/2023 – Reminder – Harvest Assembly 16/10/2023 – Harvest Tickets 16/10/2023 – Message for Year 1 Red
SENT HOME VIA CLASS:	Harvest Tickets, Photo proofs (coming home tonight)
COLLECTING:	Toner cartridges, batteries,
WEBSITE UPDATES:	Achievements ,

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Thursday	19/10/2023	3.10pm-3.30pm	Share your Child's Learning Year 1 and 2
Wednesday	25/10/2023	8.50am-10.00am	Chat and Play – for parents and carers with pre school age children.
Thursday	26/10/2023	9am	Deadline for Halloween Colouring Competition
Thursday	26/10/2023	8.50am-9.30am	Harvest Assembly
Friday	27/10/2023	8.50am-9.30am	Harvest Assembly
Friday	27/10/2023	3.10pm	School closes for the half term holiday
Monday	06/11/2023	8.40am	School opens for Autumn Term 2
Wednesday	08/11/2023	8.50am–10.00am	Chat and Play - for parents and carers with pre school age children.
Friday	10/11/2023		Bag 2 School
Monday	13/11/2023	5.00pm-7.00pm	Parent Consultation Appointments – representatives from MindMate will be present.
Tuesday	14/11/2023	5.00pm-7.00pm	Parent Consultation Appointments
Wednesday	15/11/2023	9.30am-10.30am	Open Day for children starting Reception in September.
Wednesday	15/11/2023	9.30am-10.30am	Open Day at the Junior School for parents of Year 2 children moving there in September.
Thursday	16/11/2023	All day	Children in Need – children to come to school wearing dots and spots – donation £1
Thursday	16/11/2023	All Day	Flu Vaccinations for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children who have consent
Friday	17/11/2023	All day	Training Day – School Closed
Monday	20/11/2023	All day	Training Day – Nursery and Reception classes closed. Year 1 and 2 children to attend as normal
Tuesday	21/11/2023	1.30pm-2.30pm	Northern Dreaming Storytime Tour for Reception and Nursery (in school)
Wednesday	22/11/2023	8.50am-9.00am	Chat and Play - for parents and carers with pre school age children.
Wednesday	29/11/2023	3.10pm-4.30pm	Christmas Fair – more details to follow soon.
Monday	04/12/2023	12.00pm-3.10pm	Year 1 and 2 Visit to Leeds Playhouse to see The Enormous Crocodile.
Tuesday	05/12/2023	9.30am-10.30am	Open Day for children starting Reception in September.
Tuesday	05/12/2023	9.30am-10.30am	Open Day at the Junior School for parents of Year 2 children moving there in September.
Tuesday	05/12/2023	2.00pm-2.50pm	Codwollop Theatre Group Christmas performance for Nursery and Reception (in school)
Wednesday	06/12/2023	8.50am-9.00am	Chat and Play - for parents and carers with pre school age children.
Tuesday	12/12/2023	8.50am-10.00am	Year 1 and 2 Christmas Performance – more details to follow

Wednesday	13/12/2023	8.50am-10.00am	Year 1 and 2 Christmas Performance – more details to follow
Thursday	14/12/2023	12.00pm	Christmas Dinner
Tuesday	19/12/2023	8.50am-9.30am	Reception Christmas Performance – more details to follow
Wednesday	20/12/2023	8.50am-9.00am	Chat and Play - for parents and carers with pre school age children.
Wednesday	20/12/2023	11.30am-12.00pm & 2.40pm-3.10pm	Nursery Christmas Sing a-long
Thursday	21/12/2023	9.00am-10.30am	Whole School visit to St John's Church – more details to follow
Thursday	21/12/2023	PM	Christmas Discos – more details to follow
Friday	22/12/2023	3.10pm	School closes for the Christmas Holiday
Monday	08/01/2024	8.40am	School opens for the Spring Term

ST. JOHN'S  CHURCH

Church hall, Barcroft Grove, Yeadon, LS19 7XZ



SATURDAY 28TH OCTOBER 2023

4.30PM – 6.30PM

FREE ENTRY

**A FUN FILLED, HALLOWEEN ALTERNATIVE.
CHILDREN CAN COME DRESSED AS A SUPERHERO, SAINT OR ANGEL.
INCLUDING PARTY GAMES, AUTUMN CRAFTS, NIBBLES, CAKE AND
PIZZA!**

BRING A TORCH AND LET IN THE LIGHT DURING A STORY.

TO BOOK: CONTACT JACQUI ON 07823 490135 OR EMAIL

jacquitate@hotmail.co.uk

CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT