

WESTFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Contacting Class Teachers

Staff at Westfield are always willing to meet with parents and discuss any concerns they may have. The start of the school day as children are entering class is extremely busy and staff are unable to speak in detail with parents at this point. If you feel that you need to discuss a matter with a class teacher before the start of the day, please telephone the school office to make an appointment with that staff member before children enter school. Alternatively staff are usually available at the end of the day or may be able to contact parents via telephone during non-teaching time. Thank you for your cooperation.

World Book Day 2020

The whole school has enjoyed our World Book Day celebrations. It was fantastic to see such wonderful costumes ranging from Harry Potter to Gangster Granny to The Very Hungry Caterpillar! All children took part in our annual poetry share and, as classes or year groups, performed poems from around the world. We were also delighted to receive a £500 donation from David Wilson Homes to purchase books for school. Earlier in the week, all children enjoyed a theatre performance from The Magic Carpet company. Thank you to Miss Hunt for organising these events.

Please could we take this opportunity to stress the importance of regular home reading and ask that parents listen to children read at least three times a week and sign the reading diary. Thank you.

News from the WSA

Half the year is over already! Recently, the WSA donated £500 towards the cost of the M&M Theatre Production which the whole school enjoyed. We've also paid for a History website subscription for in-school use and bought a replacement table tennis table. We've continued sponsoring the Key Stage 2 Right Choice Award, with the winners enjoying trips to Rock-up and Inflatation so far. The Nature Garden has also received funding and it looks amazing! So thanks for buying drinks at concerts, eating doughnuts, attending discos, and booking pantomime tickets. Whilst the children have fun, we can make a huge difference to our school.

We're currently selling Mother's Day gifts and will soon be launching our Easter Design competition. If the designs are as good as the Christmas Jumpers we can't wait to see them! The next disco will be held on Friday March 27th - all offers of help gratefully received.

If you'd like to join us or have an idea we should know about, please come to a meeting or get in touch via the school office. There isn't a lot of commitment time - just one meeting per half term to help with new ideas and organising the odd disco! So please don't be put off! Thanks again for your support.

As Winter continues, we would like to remind parents of our procedures regarding potential school closures during severe weather. The decision to close the school is never taken lightly. We will always endeavor to make a closure decision as early as possible. If possible, parents will be informed via the school text message service. However, parents should also ensure that they check the school Twitter account and website and listen for announcements on BBC Radio Humberside and Viking Radio. Please be assured that we will always endeavour to keep school open and will only close for health and safety reasons.



The above information will be a constant newsletter item during the winter months.

In the event that the school needed to close during school hours, parents would be contacted via telephone and text and asked to collect their children from the site. Please be aware that in this situation, for safeguarding reasons, we would be unable to allow children to go with neighbours, family friends etc. We would also ask that parents do not telephone school as the lines will be extremely busy.

Extra Curricular Events

Our sports' teams have been busy already this term attending two dodgeball competitions and a football competition. All of our teams have played extremely well, especially our three Y5 /Y6 dodgeball teams, who came first, second and third at the East Riding Sports Partnership competition.

The Green Team has also enjoyed a visit to Cottingham High School, where they helped with the planting of trees as a part of the Northern Forest, an ambitious project to grow and link the existing community forests from Liverpool to Hull. The project will see 50 million trees planted over 25 years, increasing woodland cover by one third, making the community we live in a cleaner, greener place to live.

Diary Dates

March 2020

Wednesday 4th March	Magic Theatre performance—whole school
Thursday 5th March	Whole School Poetry Share
Monday 9th March	KS1 Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar drama workshop
Tuesday 10th March	KS2 Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar drama workshop
Wednesday 18th March	Y5 cycling—Group 1
Thursday 19th March	Y5 cycling—Group 1
Friday 20th March	Class photographs
Friday 20th March	Y5 cycling—Group 2
Monday 23rd March	Y5 cycling—Group 2
Tuesday 24th March	Y5 cycling—Group 3
Wednesday 25th March	Y5 cycling—Group 3
Thursday 26th March	Y5 cycling—Group 4
Friday 27th March	Y5 cycling—Group 4

April 2020

Friday 3rd April	School closes for half term
Tuesday 21st April	School re-opens for pupils

