

# WESTFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## September 2023

We hope that you have had a fantastic summer. Welcome back to familiar faces and to all our new children and families who have joined our school community this Autumn term. We hope that children settle soon into their new routines and make new friends quickly. I know that the staff have been busy during the holidays, preparing classrooms and designing exciting activities to support our ambitious curriculum at Westfield. I'm sure the children will embrace new learning opportunities whilst having lots of fun.

Thank you to Beilbys who have worked hard to solve our water issues. We are hoping that, following work over the weekend, they have found the cause of the problem. Thank you for your understanding with this matter.

*Mrs Hickey*

### School Staffing

Congratulations to Miss Tarran who got married and became Mrs Conyers this summer. I am sure you will join me in wishing both her, and Mr Conyers, a very happy future together. Our Assistant Cook, Mrs Simpson, has resigned over the summer and we wish her all the best for her future. Mrs Simpson had been a part of the kitchen team for many years—good luck.



### School Communication

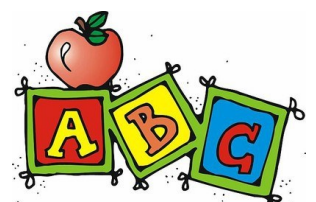
We aim to keep parents as fully informed as possible—either via text, email or letter when appropriate. Please ensure that we have your current and correct contact details so that you don't miss out on key information. Our website has details of each year group's curriculum and is updated termly and our school twitter account is a great way to see all the fantastic things happening throughout the school. Please follow us: @WestfieldCott

### Pupil Progress Meetings

Our Pupil Progress Meetings for families will take place during the week commencing 25th September—Years 1 to 6 and week commencing 2nd October for Miss Plew's and Mrs Fultsow's classes. Children in the nursery will have separate meetings at the start of the Spring Term, by which time we are sure they will have settled into school life. These are short five minute appointments with your child's class teacher and will focus on how they have settled into the new year. Attainment and academic progress will be discussed in more detail in the Spring consultation meetings. We are hoping to offer either face to face or virtual appointments to suit families' needs and circumstances.

### EYFS Phonics Information Sessions

Teaching phonics is an important start to children's education and, this half term, we are pleased to offer an Information Session for parents of pupils in Miss Plew's and Mrs Fulstow's classes to explain how phonics is taught in school and how you can support your children at home. This will take place on Tuesday 19th September at 5pm. We hope to see lots of you there!



### Contacting your child's teacher

If you would like to speak with your child's class teacher, please contact them to make a suitable appointment. Staff are always happy to meet with parents and discuss any concerns. However the start of the school day can be very busy as they are preparing for lessons and the end of the school day is a more convenient time.

If calling in at school is difficult due to work commitments, staff will be happy to discuss any issues over the phone.

### School Meals—Payments

Could we politely remind all parents that school meals should be paid for in advance and accounts should not fall into arrears. Should your account fall into arrears, the school office will contact you to inform you of the situation.

The price of a school dinner for KS2 pupils is £2.55. This is in line with the recommended cost from the Local Authority. Pupils in KS1 and EYFS are entitled to free school meals through current Government funding.

We would like to remind parents we are now able to offer a weekly meal deal, meaning that if children order a meal of any kind—hot meal or jacket potato option for the full week Monday—Friday, you will receive one of the meals free — effectively a 20% discount on the week.

A menu is available on the website <http://www.westfieldprimaryschool.org/>



### Wellbeing at Westfield

We continue to promote mental and emotional wellbeing for both children and staff at Westfield. Our website has a wellbeing section and this can be found within the Our School tab. It gives information for families and offers lists of signposted services and resources for parents/carers. Please take a look at <http://www.westfieldprimaryschool.org/>



To promote pupils wellbeing this term we are hoping to encourage as many children as possible to become involved in extra curricular activities.

### Lost property

Despite having cloakrooms in many of our classrooms and our very best efforts, every term we generate a massive amount of lost property! Many of the items often appear to be brand new and can range from the usual suspects, such as jumpers and cardigans, to expensive winter coats and even shoes! To help reduce this could we please ask that at the start of this year all uniform is labelled with your child's name and their class. This will ensure that lost items can be returned quickly and effectively. Should you need to access our lost property, this is stored in the school entrance.



### Diary dates— Autumn term

Week Commencing Monday 25th September	Pupil Progress Meeting—Y1 to Y6
Week Commencing Monday 2nd October	Pupil Progress Meetings—Miss Plews and Mrs Fulstow
Wednesday 4th October	Y6 Residential
Thursday 5th October	Y6 Residential
Friday 6th October	Y6 Residential
Tuesday 10th—17th October	Book Fair
Friday 13 October	School Photos
<b>Monday 30th October</b>	<b>HALF TERM</b>
Monday 6th November	School reopens
Friday 22nd December	<b>END OF TERM</b>

