

WESTFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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The half term is now drawing to a close and it certainly has been a busy one. Our annual residential visit to Robinwood was a huge success and thoroughly enjoyed by all who took part. We will shortly be releasing details for the 2024 visit. As part of their Space topic, children in Y5 experienced the planetarium and we received some fantastic feedback. It certainly seemed to spark their imagination.

We were pleased to see so many families at our consultation meetings. Our next meetings will be in March.

Thank you for supporting our Jeans for Genes campaign. The school raised a very impressive £393.15.

As we approach the half term break, I would like to take the opportunity to thank the children and staff for all their hard work and wish you all a relaxing holiday.

Mrs Hickey

Succeed the Westfield Way

This year we have introduced the children to our motto "Succeed the Westfield Way". As part of this we have taken each of the letters of "succeed" and added them to the qualities we feel help children to succeed.

**S—School Family, U—Understanding, C - Creativity, C—Confidence,
E—Enjoyment, E—Experience, D—Determination**

Each week class teachers focus on one of the qualities, they are the theme for assemblies and our weekly reward certificates reflect these qualities.

Healthy Snacks

All pupils in nursery, EYFS and KS1 receive free fruit throughout the day through government funding. Pupils in KS2 are able to bring a healthy snack to enjoy at break time. However, we are currently seeing many children raiding lunchboxes to get something to eat. Please can we ask that parents / carers provide children with a separate snack for breaktime and ensure that this is healthy—e.g. fruit. We would ask politely that children do not bring crisps, biscuits or chocolate. Thank you for your cooperation.



Messages from the Admin Team

If contacting the school office regarding an illness, please be specific when leaving a message and avoid generic comments such as "not well". This is because the team have an obligation to monitor and inform the local authority of certain illnesses. Please could families of pupils in KS2 also ensure that they pay for school meals and avoid their account falling into arrears. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Contacting your child's teacher

Please could we ask that parents / carers respect staffs' personal time and do not contact staff via Seesaw during the evening or over weekends. We would also ask that this platform is not used to raise complaints with class teachers. If you have a more serious concern, please either email or telephone the school office and they will direct your concern to the correct person. Thank you for your cooperation.

If you would like to speak with your child's class teacher in person, please contact them to make a suitable appointment. Staff are always happy to meet with parents and discuss any concerns.

If calling in at school is difficult due to work commitments, staff will be happy to discuss any issues over the phone. Please contact staff via the school office and they will return the call as soon as possible.

Harvest Festival Appeal 2023

A huge thank you to all those families who have supported our Harvest Festival Appeal this year. We have received a magnificent number of donations and your generosity is very much appreciated. Your donations have been collected by the Cottingham Foodbank who were overwhelmed at your generosity and were extremely grateful. I know they will be put to good use, supporting vulnerable families in our local area.



Sporting Achievements

The sporting calendar is now well under way and our teams have made a great start. Our Y5 football team were winners at the Cottingham Cluster Competition and made it through to the semi finals at the East Riding Finals. The Y6 team were runners up at the Cottingham Cluster Competition and our girls' team won the Cottingham High Competition. Our KS2 pupils have also competed in the Cottingham Cluster Cross Country Competition. Some fantastic results from you all. Well done, Please follow our sporting successes: @WestfieldCottPE

Promoting healthy, active lifestyle is an important element of the Westfield curriculum. Please can we ask that all children have the correct PE kit in school to ensure that they participate in lessons. Please note that all children with long hair will be asked to tie this back for health and safety reasons.

Diary dates— Autumn term

Monday 30 October

Monday 6 November

Friday 10 November

Thursday 16 November

Friday 17 November

Tuesday 21 November

Tuesday 5 December

Monday 11 December

Tuesday 12 December

Tuesday 12 December

Wednesday 13 December

Wednesday 13 December

Friday 15 December

Monday 18 December

Tuesday 19 December

Wednesday 20 December

Friday 22nd December

HALF TERM

School reopens

Y2 Sam Safari visit to school

Y5 Jorvik visit

Children In Need

Flu Vaccination Team in school

School Christmas Music Concert

EYFS Nativity afternoon performance

Y5 / Y6 E-safety visit—Humberside Police

EYFS Nativity evening performance

Nursery - Family Christmas Craft morning / afternoon

Y1 Christmas Carol Performance

Christmas Jumper Day

School Music Service Christmas concert for children

Rock Steady concert—afternoon

School Christmas Dinner

END OF TERM

