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Weekly Newsletter



Summer Term No.6 - Friday 6th June 2025



DIARY DATES...

- 11th** 7.00pm - 8.00pm
PAWS meeting
(ALL WELCOME!)
- 12th** Bag2School Drop-Off
- 13th** Poetry Slam
- 16th** Maths Day
- 17th** Yr 5 Visit to The
British Wildlife Centre
(Details emailed)
- 19th** District Sports Event at
Aldershot Stadium
(Details emailed)
- 20th** 10.00am 3BL Class
Assembly
(Refreshments served from 9.40am)
- 20th** 7.00pm WISPA/PAWS
Quiz Night
(Details emailed)
- 26th** Yr 6 Production @
Yateley School
(Details emailed)
- 27th** Sports Day
(10.00am Yr3 & 4; from 12.00 noon (ish!)
Family Picnic; 1.00pm Yr 5 & 6)
- 30th** 7.00pm Yr 2 Parents
Welcome Meeting (Yr3 Sept
2025)

July 2025

- 1st** Celebration
Evening 3.30-5.00pm
(All families invited into school to look at
children's work and achievements for this
academic year).
- 2nd & 3rd** Yr 6 Yateley
School Induction Days
- 4th** Reserve Sports Day
- 9th 2.45pm** Yr 4 Musical
Performance
(Details to follow)
- 11th** 10.00am 5RT Class
Assembly Performance
(Refreshments served from 9.40am)
- 15th** 5.00pm-6.15pm Yr 3&4
PAWS Disco (Details to follow)
- 15th** 6.30pm-7.45pm Yr 5&6
PAWS Disco (Details to follow)
- 17th** School Nursing Team
Drop-in & Clinics (WIS)
- 21st** 10.00 am Y6 Leavers
Assembly (Details to follow)
- 21st** 3.15pm - 5.15pm Y6
Leavers BBQ (Details to follow)
- 22nd** Gold Book Assembly

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the **final half term** of the academic year! We hope you all had a restful and enjoyable break and managed to enjoy some of the lovely sunshine - the children have certainly been full of their holiday news. It is hard to believe we are already in the last stretch of the academic year of 2024/25. In true Westfields style, this half term promises to be full of memorable moments, with a range of events and celebrations planned for both our pupils and their families. As always, we are grateful for your continued support and look forward to sharing these final weeks with you all. As such, I wish to take this opportunity to encourage you to **check the diary dates** and stay updated with school communications. I completely appreciate that life is very busy but there are so many exciting events planned for the remainder of the term and I do not wish for anyone to miss out! I am genuinely looking forward to the fantastic opportunities that lie ahead for both the children and you as parents, and with plenty of notice, we hope as many of you as possible will be able to join us. As ever, if you have any questions about any of our upcoming events, please do not hesitate to get in touch - whether by phone, email, ClassDojo, or by speaking with me or other staff members during drop-off or pick-up times.

We have certainly started with a jam packed week full of varied opportunities including an array of curriculum and extended curriculum **highlights**. As well as the expected daily reading, writing and maths lessons alongside new topics, there has been Year 6 Production rehearsals, a Year 3 Creative Day, VR workshops, special assemblies, visiting GB athletes, class/leavers photographs, continuing clubs and so much more!

With regard to **home learning**, I hope you all received the letter from Mrs Wilson that was sent out earlier this week. The purpose of this letter is to provide you with full details about the creative home learning arrangements for the rest of the academic year. As in previous years, we aim for this to be a stimulating and valuable experience, giving pupils the chance to engage in a variety of research and presentation tasks that will help build key skills, knowledge, and understanding.

In PAWS news, we are so excited to share that following a memorable, sunny and very colourful afternoon last half term, the total raised for this year's **Colour Run** was an absolutely fantastic £2752.10! As a federation event both WISPA and PAWS will share these funds but we would like to say a **huge** thank you to everyone for their generosity and support of this fun-filled joint event - what a truly amazing team effort! Looking ahead, please remember that it is our **PAWS AGM** next week, on Wednesday 11th June at 7.00pm - 8.00pm. We hope lots of you will be able to join us if you can as not only is everyone very welcome but we do require a minimum number to be quorate. In an attempt to encourage you to join us... I must share that there will be drinks and nibbles (including Mrs Crane's famous cupcakes!) so please do come along to share in the success and future plans if you possibly can. And lastly in fundraising news, we are all looking forward to our joint Quiz Night for parents on 20th June that you received full details of earlier this week. For anyone who is not sure, these are fun-filled evening events for parents and friends to raise money across the federation, why not register a team by following the link: [WISPA/PAWS Quiz Night Form](#) - we hope to welcome record numbers!

Finally in well-being news, please find attached this month's **Action for Happiness Calendar**, 'Joyful June'. As ever it provides some positive reminders about investing a few moments to make a daily difference to our own well-being so if you get the chance, please do take a look; particularly at busy times, we need to remember to look after ourselves too!
Have a super weekend!

Kind regards,

Miss Jo Redman, Executive Headteacher



REMINDERS...

- Please remember you can drop off any donations for our **Bag2School** collection (eg unwanted clothing, shoes, bags, hats, scarves, bras, socks, belts, and jewellery), any time on: **Thursday 12th June**. As before, the drop off address is: 25 Hardy Avenue, Yateley, GU46 6XU - many thanks in anticipation of your support!



UNITE-INSPIRE-EXCEL

Year 3 Egyptian Creative Day

On Friday, Year 3 stepped back in time for an exciting Ancient Egyptian Creative Day. Both children and staff embraced the spirit of the day by

dressing in fantastic costumes, bringing history to life in our classrooms. The children took part in a wide range of hands-on activities designed to deepen their understanding of life in Ancient Egypt. They created personalised cartouches using hieroglyphs to represent their names, crafted their own papyrus paper and designed an intricate Egyptian cartonnage. They also constructed and decorated a sarcophagus and even took part in a virtual reality workshop which transported them straight to the heart of Ancient Egypt!

Mrs Long, Year 3 Team Leader and 3BL Class Teacher



Whole School GB Athletics Visit...

This week at Westfields the children were thrilled to welcome athletes Liam McGarry and Ryan Raghoo to school. Everyone took part in an exciting practical workshop led by one of the athletes, learning new skills and teamwork. The visit included an inspirational whole school assembly, where Liam and Ryan shared their journeys in sport, the challenges they have overcome, and the importance of perseverance and a positive mindset. The children left feeling motivated and full of enthusiasm and awe - a wonderful day to remember.

Miss Stevens, PE Co-Ordinator and 5LS Class Teacher



YATELEY SCHOOL ROCK BAND PERFORMANCE

On Wednesday, students from Yateley School visited WJS to perform in a rather special toe-tapping (or maybe more head banging?) rock-themed assembly! They played a lively set of rock songs and Mr Croft (YS Music Lead) taught the pupils about the instruments of a rock band. We are very grateful to the talented students at Yateley School for rehearsing and performing for our pupils as it was the rock band's first live gig! Our pupils left the assembly energized and most definitely inspired; we love having such talented neighbours!



School Council News...

This week's meeting began with feedback relating to outstanding actions and then the lunchtime feedback task that was set in the last meeting. Councillors had discussed with their classes the best things about our school lunches and how they could be even better. In addition to these details, any other comments about lunchtimes were shared and there was plenty of praise and appreciation for our new (rather fabulous!) Lunchtime Monitors who are doing a wonderful job to support the smooth running of our dining hall. As always, if you wish to read our full minutes, please take a look at them on our school website, or if you are in school, they are hanging on our School Council board in the hall.



PARENT PAGES... Please remember to take a look at June's Parent Pages from our fabulous Family Support Worker, Mrs Kirby! This edition's theme is 'Boundaries' which can feel a little overwhelming at times. In addition to a few wise words and links to other further reading, there are some great links for some local family fun alongside some quick reference family support helplines and apps... so why not take five minutes to have a read?



Virtual Reality Workshops - Year 3 & Year 6

Today, we had exciting visitors come in to WJS to host VR workshops for Years 3 and 6! Year 3 had a fantastic time in their VR workshop, diving into the world of Ancient Egypt! They got to explore virtual tombs, uncover the secrets of the pyramids and witness artefacts. It was a totally immersive experience that really brought their topic to life in 360 degrees! In Year 6, the children (and staff!) kick started our new "Deadly Disasters" topic with an epic VR adventure - getting virtually dropped above volcanoes! It was a thrilling way to learn about volcanic eruptions and the difference between them, all while feeling like we were right in the middle of the action.

Both year groups had an unforgettable time with these VR workshops, making learning fun and interactive. These sessions gave our pupils the chance to experience their topics in a whole new way and I am certain that they will not be forgotten any time soon!

Miss Orelie, Computing Co-ordinator and Year 6 Class Teacher



Dexter's News!

Please remember Dexter's latest blog (May) is available on our School Website (and has been emailed!) Find out all about Dexter's adventures by visiting:

<https://www.westfieldsjuniorschool.co.uk/school-community/our-school-dog-dexters-news/>



CONGRATULATIONS...

Huge congratulations to Hugo Cheng, who was a member of the team that won the U10 3x3 Basketball Tournament hosted by Fleet Flyers at Crookham Park.



Over the half term break, Lila Dean, completed a 3k Race for Life. She ran it for both of her nannies and her Grandad - what a superstar pocket rocket, such a worthy cause!

This weekend Noah Coggan, 4CB, competed at FIG level (Federation International Gymnastics) which is the highest level of gymnastics you can compete at. After qualifying first in his first two rounds he went on to win coming away with a Gold and the title of English Champion of Men Age 10.



We are delighted to share that Onika Kisiel came 1st in Santolina Stables Junior Riders Horse Jumping Competition winning a trophy and rosette.



Attendance Awards

Please find below this week's attendance winners. Congratulations to you all!

Lower School		Upper School	
4RF	100%	6JL	99%