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# Weekly Newsletter



Summer Term No.4 - Friday 16th May 2025

## DIARY DATES...

### May 2025

**19th - 23rd** Walk to School Week

**19th** Yr 6 Think Safe Workshop (details to emailed)

**20th** The Great Debate

**21st** 8.30am School Nursing Team Drop-in & Clinics

**22nd** PAWS Mufti Day (non-uniform)

**22nd** Federation Colour Run (Details emailed)

**23rd** Inset Day - school closed for pupils

**27th - 31st May**  
**HALF TERM BREAK**

### June 2024

**2nd** Yr 6 & Class Photographs

**3rd** Whole School Athlete Visit

**6th** Yr 3 Ancient Egypt Creative Day (Details to follow)

**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 to follow)

**19th** District Sports Event at Aldershot Stadium  
(Details to follow)

**20th** 10.00am 3BL Class Assembly  
(Refreshments served from 9.40am)

**20th** 7.00pm WISPA/PAWS Quiz Night  
(Details to follow)

**26th** Yr 6 Production @ Yateley School  
(Details to follow)

**27th** Sports Day  
(10.00am Yr3 & 4; from 12.00 noon (ish!) Family Picnic; 1.00pm Yr 5 & 6)

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the end of another week which seems to have flown by in the blink of an eye and it seems almost impossible that we only have four more school days before the half term break! As always we have packed in a fantastic array of curriculum and extended curriculum opportunities for our pupils and families. Perhaps most excitingly, this has included our Year 5 pupils who have all been busily preparing for their **Fiver Challenge** which is being held this afternoon until 4.30pm. As many of you are aware this is an extended curriculum opportunity to teach the children various real life skills around a profit making project (to raise funds for their Year 6 residential!) I will share photographs and details next week but we are sure it is destined for success - there are certainly some fantastic marketing entrepreneurs at Westfields and we hope you will join us to support them!

Amid all of the usual learning, clubs and extended curriculum opportunities happening this week, of course I must take a moment to acknowledge and celebrate our wonderful Year 6 cohort. Despite the often negative portrayal of **SATs** in the media, our superstar pupils have once again risen to this challenge with resilience and maturity, making us all incredibly proud. Understandably, there were a few nerves at the start of the week, but these were quickly replaced by determined and positive mindsets. The children's dedication to doing their best - truly all we ever ask for in terms of the #WestfieldsWay - was crystal clear throughout. Of course, none of this would have been possible without the tireless efforts of our dedicated staff. Their support and commitment has gone far beyond high quality supportive and challenging lessons, extending to intervention groups, 1:1 feedback and after-school revision sessions. Their commitment to preparing our children both academically and emotionally has been outstanding, and inevitably I am truly grateful for their professionalism and care. While SATs are a statutory requirement, I want to echo what many headteachers often say: these tests measure only a small part of what makes our pupils so special as individuals. They do not capture the empathy, kindness, creativity, and sporting talents we see daily, nor the broad range of skills, understanding and knowledge our curriculum promotes. Nevertheless, our Year 6 pupils deserve enormous congratulations for the resilience and determination they have shown during what is undeniably a demanding week. We hope they feel as proud of themselves as we do of them. I hasten to add that although SATs were a major focus, this week has also included plenty of creative and active experiences as we consider a balance so important; pupils have enjoyed extended PE, Computing, and Art sessions and there was even more excitement today, as staff announced details of the eagerly awaited Year 6 play, with auditions scheduled for next week!

Looking ahead to the last week of the half term as previously mentioned, we are once again excited to be taking part in **Walk to School Week** next week. This annual event is a great opportunity to remind our children about the many benefits of regular exercise, the importance of road safety, and how choosing greener ways to travel helps protect our environment. To support this national initiative, we encourage families to consider healthy and eco-friendly travel options such as walking, 'park and stride', cycling or scootering, skipping, or even using public transport. We sincerely hope we can make this a fun, active, and environmentally friendly week. Throughout the week, teachers will be asking pupils to share how they have travelled to school each day. These responses will contribute to a class green score, with the aim of encouraging more sustainable travel choices across the school. By the end of the half term, we will celebrate the class with the highest score as the 'greenest' class with a special award! As part of this, our **Junior Road Safety Officers** are looking forward to visiting pupils at Westfields Infant School, as they will be leading some fun and informative sessions all about road safety.

Finally, I would like to remind you that we are excited about our **Federation Colour Run** next Thursday (which is also a mufti day for all pupils!) - we just need to keep our fingers crossed for a sunny afternoon; we are delighted with the number of participants but please may I take this opportunity to mention that if there are any parents who are able to help with the running of the event, please just drop the WISPA Committee a line and they will be sure to find you a job!

Have a great weekend.

Kind regards,

Miss Jo Redman,  
Executive Headteacher

## REMINDERS...

- Please remember that Thursday 23rd May is a **PAWS Mufti Day** (non-uniform), £1.00 donation - some children may wish to wear their outfits for the Colour Run?!
- Next Friday 24th May is an **Inset Day** so don't forget school is closed to ALL pupils.

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### Vocal Ambassadors 2025

On Tuesday our wonderful Vocal Ambassadors once again went to Samuel Cody to participate in this term's multi-school musical workshop for talented pupils. Mrs Cannon accompanied our ambassadors to join in learning four new songs and practised reading sheet music. As always our pupils were fully engaged with impeccable behaviour and we are exceptionally proud of them all!



### Netball Match - Thursday 15th May

#### Westfields Junior V Potley Primary

There was much excitement after school on Thursday when some of our skilled Year 6 netballers played their first home match against Potley Primary. We scored an early goal, however Potley were fast to equalise. Westfields showed absolute determination and managed to end the first quarter with a 3-2 lead. After a quick rotation of positions, Potley came back fighting putting up a tough battle against our team. The passing and attacking from Westfields was excellent and we faced a strong defense from Potley. In the end, we came away with a huge 8 - 4 win! Well done to the entire team, you all played phenomenally.



### Community News...

#### E-Safety Virtual Presentation for Parents... RECORDING & RESOURCES AVAILABLE

Although it was difficult to know how many of our parents joined the Zoom meeting on Tuesday evening this week, I have spoken to a few who all felt it was most definitely a valuable listen as it included accessible key support for parents regarding keeping your child safe online. We appreciate that not everyone was available so we are so pleased to share that we are able to share a recording of the event which has been emailed to you separately as we have been asked to share that this is for your use and should not be shared publicly.



### Girls Cricket Day

In the May half term, Hampshire Cricket Board are delighted to be hosting a **Girls Holiday Club** in Yateley.



This will give opportunities for girls aged 8-11, who do not usually play cricket, the chance to engage in a one day cricket club, COMPLETELY FREE. The day will be led by fully qualified Hampshire Community Coaches, who work in schools (including ours!) across the town.

To register for the day, please follow the [Cricket Club Booking Link](#) and enter the promo code **28PFC**

### SCL Provision @ Half Term

Please remember that if you are in need of childcare over the upcoming May half term break, you may wish to book your child(ren) a place at the Active Adventure Provision that we host at WIS. For further details, please visit:

[SCLACTIVE.CO.UK](http://SCLACTIVE.CO.UK)

or  
call  
**0345  
6445747.**



### School Council News...



As always, our School Councillors met for their fortnightly meeting on Tuesday afternoon this week. The meeting began with feedback relating to actions of which there was some great progress followed by class suggestions from the councillors' boxes which were discussed and either agreed, actioned or rejected (usually for health and safety reasons!) Councillors were then set a task to discuss in their classes what they like about our school lunches and how they could be even better. Their reviews and suggestions will then be shared with our new provider and we will look forward to our children's voices bringing about developments to the wonderful world of Westfields.

Please remember that 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.

### WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK 2025

We are all looking forward to joining in with **Walk To School Week** next week.... thank you in anticipation of your support.. let's make it one to remember!

### Walk to School Week 2025

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May

Across the Westfields Federation, we want to promote an active lifestyle for the children so during 'Walk to School Week', we would like to encourage all pupils to spend time enjoying their walk to school! Below is a list of challenges to promote this national event. We would love for you to send some photos on ClassDojo of any challenges that are completed.

Mrs Mallett (WIS) and Mrs Nasir (WJS)  
PSHE co-ordinators

<b>Mindful Monday</b> Encourage children to notice their surroundings using their senses and discuss what they observed.	<b>Travel Together Tuesday</b> Walk with friends, family or in walking buses for a social start to the day.	<b>Wellbeing Wednesday</b> Focus on the health benefits of walking. Children could track their steps or heart rate changes.	<b>Thoughtful Thursday</b> Encourage acts of kindness on the walk, such as smiling at others or picking up litter.	<b>Fun-Filled Friday</b> Make an INSET day walk exciting by playing games such as 'I spy' or 'Rainbow cars'.
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### Attendance Awards

Please find below this week's attendance winners; great to see a full house in both classes - Congratulations to you all!

Lower School		Upper School	
3AM	100%	6ZN	100%

### CONGRATULATIONS...

Congratulations to Daniel Dallas who has won silver medals two weeks in a row! His first was in the Northern Home Counties Judo Competition and secondly in the High Wycombe Judo Championships - well done Daniel!



We are very excited to share that one of our fabulous Vocal Ambassadors took a London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art exam in Musical Theatre Grade 3 and he passed with a distinction receiving an amazing 85 marks out of 100!! In addition to this, Dylan auditioned to be part of the cast of Matilda at the theatre in Henley on Thames, and he has been offered a part in the production! He has another audition this Sunday (and next!) to find out the role he will be playing! We can't wait to find out who - what a superstar!

