

Westfield Infant News

September 2024

Message from Mrs Ruane

What a fantastic month we have had! I have been so impressed with how our newest and youngest children have settled in. They are getting used to attending our whole school assemblies and they have been playing beautifully on our playground. Our new EYFS base is having new outdoor equipment and once the new pathway is built, children will be able to access our sensory tunnel and wider EYFS grounds.

All of our children are aware of our golden rules and they are showing a growing understanding of our core values. Last week, Team Unity performed our first class assembly and they beautifully demonstrated the importance of Unity in our world. Thank you to Team Unity and to all our parents and carers who attended.



Our new pathway work has begun. We expect the pathway to be complete and ready for half term. I will provide further updates via Class Dojo. I would like to thank you all for your continued support with the ongoing parking and access issues. I am in communication with local police, the Local Authority and Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council and all services are working together on this matter. I will provide updates where necessary via Class Dojo.

Dates for your diary

October

8th/9th October - parent/carer meetings
11th October – Harvest Festival
18th October – Finish for half term
28th October – Return to school
28th October – EYFS Halloween disco
29th October – Y1 Halloween disco
31st October – Y2 Halloween disco

All discos 3:15pm -4:30pm

November

11th November – Anti bullying week
15th November – Children in Need non uniform admissions
18th November – Open evening for 2025 admissions
27th November – Road safety week
28th-3rd December – Book Fair

Pupil Premium funding

The Pupil Premium is extra government money which is paid to schools to support children's learning and development. We can support you in finding out if your child could receive the extra money. All you need is your national insurance number and date of birth for yourself and your child to check if you are eligible. You must apply for each child.

Funding can be used for:

- After school clubs
- Funding exciting activities to widen experiences for children

December

2nd December – Flu vaccinations
5th December – Christmas Market 3pm-4:30pm
10th December – EYFS Nativity 9:30am/2:30pm
12th December – Christmas Jumper and Christmas dinners
17th December – Y1 Christingle (pm)
19th December – Christmas party afternoon
20th December – Last day of term.

As and when more events arise we will add to the diary dates and inform you on Class Dojo.

- **Providing small group or 1:1 sessions.**

Please contact the school office if you need any assistance in checking eligibility.

Parent/Carer meetings

On Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th October we are holding our parent/carers meetings. This is an opportunity to talk to your child's class teacher about how they have settled into their new year group. Please book appointments on Arbor. Contact the school office should you require any support with booking.

Admission into Year 3

All year 2 families will need to apply for a place at the school of your choice for Year 3. Please use the link below to apply. You will need to do this before 15th January 2025.

[Apply for a primary school place - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

Attendance

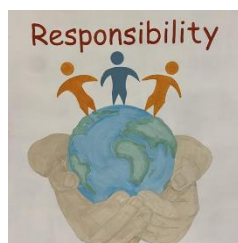
We now have new statutory attendance guidance which came into force in August 2024. As a school, we cannot authorise term time holidays, unless there is an exceptional circumstance. Please see the link below for further information regarding fines issued for taking unauthorised holidays in term time.

[Fines for parents for taking children out of school: What you need to know – The Education Hub \(blog.gov.uk\)](https://www.blog.gov.uk)

Core Values

Resilience, Responsibility, Respect, Relationships and Recognition.

Each month we will share some information about the core values and how children learn about them.



This month it is **Responsibility**. We show that we can do things for ourselves, and not always rely on others to do things for us. We try to make the right choices about how we learn and behave.

We teach the children about **responsibility** during our assemblies and through conversations with have both in the classroom and around the school.

