

# Westfield Infant News

December 2024



## Message from Mrs Ruane



We have had a fantastic end to a very long and busy Autumn term. I want to thank everyone for all the support you have given to the school. I know we ask a lot of you at this time of year in terms of charity days, non-uniform days and events - it really is appreciated! I have been so impressed by our children in the past few weeks. The EYFS children did an amazing performance of the nativity story and the Year 1 children sang our Christingle carols so beautifully earlier in the week. Thank you for coming to support our children in their performances.

Even though the term has been long and the days have become dark, the children have continued to behave wonderfully around school. They have been so busy with their learning and enthusiastic about different school events and activities.

I would like to take this opportunity to say Merry Christmas. I hope that you have a safe and happy Christmas and New Year. I look forward to welcoming you back at school, after the break on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025!



### Dates for your diary

#### January

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January – School opens to children  
15<sup>th</sup> January - Team Empathy assembly  
20<sup>th</sup> January – Phonic workshop week (details to follow)

#### February

3<sup>rd</sup> February – Mental Health Week & family breakfasts  
3<sup>rd</sup> February - Year 1 disco  
4<sup>th</sup> February – Year 2 disco  
6<sup>th</sup> February – EYFS disco  
5<sup>th</sup> February – Team Generosity class assembly  
11<sup>th</sup> February – Safer Internet Day  
11<sup>th</sup> February – Phonics Year 1 meeting (5-6pm)  
14<sup>th</sup> February – school closes for half term

### Attendance

Your legal responsibility as a parent or carer is to ensure that your children of school age receive a suitable full-time education, by either enrolling your child at a school or by making other arrangements through home schooling or elective home education. If your child has problems attending school you should, first of all, contact school to ask for further support. Children must start full-time education from the school term after their fifth birthday. They must stay in full-time education until the last Friday in June in the school year they turn 16.

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



School closes on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December. Children return to school on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January.

Once enrolled at a school it remains the parent or carer's legal responsibility to ensure that their child attends school regularly and arrives on time each day. You could get a fine or be prosecuted if your child is missing school without authorisation.



Please call the school office at the earliest convenience and by 8:45 in the morning if your child is not able to attend and give a reason for their absence.

## Admissions

For any new EYFS entrants, applications must be made for a school place by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025. Please use the link below to apply for your child.

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 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

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

## Christmas Show – ASA Theatre Arts

We enjoyed a very festive nativity show from ASA Theatre Arts – a group of BTEC students made a special visit on Wednesday and the children loved it! We are feeling very inspired by their wonderful singing and acting skills. Thank you to ASA Theatre Arts for putting on an incredible show!



## 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 **Respect**. We treat others the way we would like to be treated. We always show good manners and we are honest and tell the truth.

We teach the children about **Respect** during our assemblies and through conversations we have both in the classroom and around the school. Mutual respect is also one of our **British Values**.



## After School Clubs – Spring term 2025

All payments must be made through the company.

Day	Club details	Year group
Monday	Ben Pearce Nerf Adventures	All
	Drama Club	All
Tuesday	Future School Fitness – Football club	Years 1 and 2
	Mini Singers	All year groups
Wednesday	Future School Fitness – Dodgeball	Years 1 and 2
	Kidslingo – Spanish club	Years 1 and 2
Thursday	Future School Fitness – Multi sports	Years 1 and 2
Friday	Ben Pearce -Multi sports for PP children	Invite only – discuss with office.
	Drama Club	All

**All clubs run from the end of the school day until 4:15pm.**

We are adding to our after-school club offer all the time so please look at Dojo for any new clubs that come to Westfield Infant School.