



WESTFIELD WEEKLY

1st December 2017

Edition 12

SATURDAY 2nd DECEMBER - CHRISTMAS FAIR 12 – 3PM

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 4th December

- Year 4 – Last swimming lesson
- Last Challenge Tennis Club (Years 2-3)
- Last Choir Club

Tuesday 5th December

- Last Guitar lesson
- Last Ross & Andy Football Club (Years 1-2)
- Year 5/6 Boys Football Match vs Bovingdon (Home)

Wednesday 6th December

- Child Shows Parent YR to Y6 – 3.15pm to 3.45pm
- Last Beany Yoga
- Parent Forum 7pm

Thursday 7th December

- Last Netball Club

Friday 8th December

- RockSteady Concert – 9.15am
- Deadline to order/pay for Christmas lunch
- Last Ross & Andy Football Club (Years 3-6)
- Last Challenge Tennis Club (Years 4-6)

Advance Notice

Friday 15th December

- KS1 Christmas Performance – 9.15am

ATTENDANCE

Attendance figures for each class for the week beginning 20th November 2017

Year 6 Nevelson	99.00%	Year 3	93.33%
Year 6 Riley	93.45%	Year 2	91.67%
Year 5 Picasso	98.33%	Year 1	90.00%
Year 4	95.33%	Reception	89.16%

During the week of 20th November – 4 children were late arriving for school. **Please can parents/carers ensure that they arrive by 8.40am each day. Thank you.**

School Meal Pattern & Dinner Payments

If your child wishes to change their meal pattern after Christmas please complete the form at the end of this letter and return it to school by **Friday 15th December**. **Please note that there is no need to return the form if your child is not changing from their current requirements.**

The deadline to pay for dinner money for this half term has been extended until **Friday 8th December**. Payments can be made by either: cash or cheque (made payable to Hertfordshire Catering Limited) sent in to school in a sealed and marked envelope or online via Wisepay. Thank you.

Christmas Post Box

The Christmas Post Box will be in the dining room from **Monday 4th December** and may be used by children wishing to send cards to their friends and/or teachers. **Please ensure all envelopes are clearly marked with the receiving child's first name, surname and class. Thank you.**

Child Shows Parent

On Wednesday 7th December, at the end of the school day, you are invited to our 'Child Shows Parent' session which will take place from 3.15pm until 3.45pm. This is an opportunity for your child to proudly show you the work in their books. **Please note that this is not an opportunity to discuss your child's progress with their class teacher and we ask that when you visit the classroom you only look through your child's work.**

Please collect your children at the end of the school day and then enter the school through one of the external classroom doors. If you have more than one child at Westfield, when moving to your other child's class you can access this internally. **Please can we remind you that you are responsible for your children and they must remain with you at all times for their safety.**

If your child is in Year 5 or 6 and usually walks home alone, please make arrangements to collect him/her at the Meeting Place before coming in to school. Children attending after-school clubs may choose to show their work before going to the club. We look forward to seeing you and we know that the children will enjoy being able to show you their fantastic work so far this year.

Lost Property

There continues to be a large amount of lost property in school, most of which is **NOT NAMED**. Please check the lost property as we would like the box to be empty by the end of term. **Please ensure ALL clothing is named including coats, scarves, hats, gloves and all items of uniform/PE kit.** Thank you.

Applying for a Primary School (Reception) Place

The application process for a Reception school place for September 2017 opened on Monday 7th November. If you have a child born between 1st September 2013 and 31st August 2014 please go online for full information and apply for a place at: www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions. The closing date for applications is Monday 15th January 2018. If you have any questions about this process please speak to Mrs Arnold in the school office.

Huge Game for Hemel Storm Basketball This Saturday

Hemel Storm are having a great season so far. This Saturday Sportspace will host a top of the table clash! This is a massive game for Storm and they need all the support possible.

Hemel Storm vs Loughborough Riders
Saturday 2nd December
7pm tip off
Hemel Sportspace

Simply mention our School name on the door to get discounted entrance (£6.50 per adult, £2 per u18).

W1SPA News

Aviva Community Fund News - WE MADE THE FINAL! Hooray and thank you to everyone who helped us there 😊. We now make a final submission and this is really important - we're third in the country on votes, and we need to persuade the judges to pick us over the second highest-voted project. So, we're asking every child to draw us a 'Before Create Space/After Create Space. An explanatory flier (with visual guide) and the template is in their book bag. We know it's a busy weekend - but please return to school on MONDAY. We do this style of pic with raffle requests, and they look lovely but please make sure your child does the sad/happy smile round the right way! If you need an extra copy, there's one attached to the newsletter.

Christmas Party Disco - we need to up the numbers or we will have to cancel. If we don't reach 75 by the end of Tuesday, we'll have to cancel. Spare letters are available by the office. Fingers crossed for a sudden avalanche of bookings.

Christmas Fair News, Saturday 2nd December, 12-3pm

We hope to see you there tomorrow! Santa's packed the Sleigh, The Elford Arms is ready for business, the games and fun are ready, the raffle is HUGE...

RAFFLE - remember, if you want to win the toy hamper for the family who sells the most tickets, the deadline is 3.30pm today! But, of course, feel free to buy more on the day too 😊.

Win a visit from Santa and Westie - and all you have to do it buy a hot choc survival kit from the Fair. But if you're not able to make the fair, you can still buy one before, for £2 each. Please email Bex on bexplendy@hotmail.co.uk

Win a Magnum of Champagne - for just £2 a ticket, this £90 Bottle could be yours! Again, if you're not able to make the fair, please buy a ticket before, just email Bex.

Cakes - please bring your cakes to school in the morning, we'll be there from 9am.

THANK YOU to Mrs O'Brien for organising for the choir to perform at the fair, Mrs Stace and Mr Bray for helping with the fair, and to all the staff who supported the pupils in making their Christmas crafts and treats.

Please bring lots of change, and it would also be helpful if you bring a carrier bag or two to take home your goodies ☺.

25 Days To Christmas!!! Please remember to use www.thegivingmachine.co.uk to do your internet shopping! We should be able to raise hundreds of £££ over the next few weeks, and in the sales after Christmas! Thank you.

Bag2School – We have an upcoming clothing collection by Bag2School. This is your opportunity to clear out those cupboards and get rid of any good quality second-hand clothing, paired shoes, hats, belts and handbags. No bric-a-brac, bedding, towels or curtains please. This is a great way to raise money as we are paid by the weight of the bag! Bags have been sent home this week. **Please return bags to school by 9am on Thursday 7th December.** Thank you for your support.

Letters/Flyers sent home this week:

- *Reception – The Healthy Child Programme*

Copies of all letters sent home can be found in the letter rack outside the office and can also be accessed from our website within the '[Letters Home](#)' page

Our School Value next week is Forgiveness

School Dinners – Change to Meal Pattern – Spring Term – First Half

Please complete and return this form **by Friday 15th December**

Child's Name

Class

My child would like the following: *(please tick as appropriate)*

- School provided meal Monday to Friday
- Home provided meal Monday to Friday
- School provided meal Friday only (home meal provided Monday to Thursday)
- School provided meal Wednesday and Friday (home meal provided Monday, Tuesday and Thursday)