



# WESTFIELD WEEKLY

19<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Edition 15

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January

- INSET Day – School Closed

### Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January

- School re-opens for all children

### Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January

- No Celebration Assembly
- Catch Up Guitar Lesson

### Advance Notice ....

### Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January

- School Clubs and Music Lessons start this week

## ATTENDANCE

Attendance figures for each class for the week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Year 6 Nevelson	92.22%	Year 3	93.41%
Year 6 Riley	79.79%	Year 2	87.78%
Year 5 Picasso	94.44%	Year 1	92.53%
Year 4	77.78%	Reception	72.28%

During the week of 11<sup>th</sup> December – 9 children were late arriving for school. **Please can parents/carers ensure that they arrive by 8.40am each day. Thank you.**

### Farewell ...

Today we said farewell to Mrs Brown who has been teaching at Westfield for the past 11 years. We would like to take this opportunity to thank her for all she has done for the children at Westfield and wish her all the very best for the future.

### Theme Day Lunch – Fun Day!

There will be a special Theme Day lunch when we return after Christmas. The lunch choices on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January will be:

- Red Choice: Kentucky Baked Chicken Burger
- Green Choice: Spicy Bean Burger
- Yellow Choice: Cheese Roll

All children who usually have a school meal on the above day will be able to choose their lunch from the special theme day menu, which replaces the regular menu on that day. Those children who do not normally have a school meal on a Thursday will have received an invitation to take part in this special theme day lunch. Please return completed slips by Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January if your child wishes to take part in our Fun Day theme lunch.

### Applying for a Primary School (Reception) Place

The application process for a Reception school place for September 2018 opened on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November. If you have a child born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2013 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2014 please go online for full information and apply for a place at: [www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions). The closing date for applications is Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018. If you have any questions about this process please speak to Mrs Arnold in the school office.

### Message from the Eco Team

The 1<sup>st</sup> Berkhamsted Scout Group will once again be collecting Christmas trees from around the town and taking them to the council's recycling facility to be shredded and reused as mulch. If you would like them to collect your tree (Berkhamsted only), please email: [1stberkotrees@googlemail.com](mailto:1stberkotrees@googlemail.com) or leave a message on 07910 937497.

Dacorum Borough Council will also be operating their Christmas tree Recycling Service again this year on **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2018** at Water Lane car park (behind Tesco Store), Berkhamsted, HP4 3AP from 9.30am to 4pm. If you are unable to bring your Christmas tree on this date, you can cut your tree up to fit it into your green bin ready for when garden waste collections begin again in the spring.

Christmas cards, wrapping paper, plastic and metal biscuit and sweet tins/containers can be recycled in the blue-lidded bin. You can recycle Christmas cards and greeting cards all year round at Northbridge Road, Berkhamsted, HP4 1TL. Unfortunately, glittery wrapping paper and embellished Christmas cards cannot be recycled. Please reuse or dispose of these in your grey wheeled bin. Thank you for looking after our environment.



**On behalf of all the staff thank you for the cards and gifts we have received. We hope you all have a very Happy Christmas and we look forward to seeing you all back at school in 2018.**

### W1SPA End of Term News

**The Ice-cream Party** on Friday made £97.54 – well done to those enthusiastic scoffers!

[www.thegivingmachine.co.uk](http://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk) – with only 6 days left to Christmas, please use [www.thegivingmachine.co.uk](http://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk)

to raise free money for our pupils. It's free to you and only takes a minute to set up. And please remember to use it, if you do any online shopping in the post-Christmas sales!

**THANK YOU EVERYONE FOR HELPING US RAISE LOTS OF MONEY AND HAVING FUN WHILST WE'RE DOING IT, HAPPY HOLIDAYS**

### Letters/Flyers sent home this week:

- *Theme Day Lunch Allergens*

*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 first School Value for next term is .... Determination**