



# WESTFIELD NEWS

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This month has been another eventful one at Westfield, here are some of our April highlights....

## Year 3 Stoke Bruerne Trip



Year 3 went to the canal museum on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April. It was a glorious day and much fun was had! We had a ride on a canal boat and learned about how canals were pulled along by horses before the days they had an engine. We were also really fortunate to be able to



help two boats manage the locks, opening the gates and watching the water levels rise and fall. In the afternoon we learned about what canal boats were used for and how we might have lived as a child years ago. A couple of the children were dressed like canal children to show what it would have been like. Finally, we then visited the canal museum which had lots of interesting canal artefacts, a replica cabin and some old machinery to demonstrate the industry canal people would have been involved in. The day gave us a flavour of how people used to live and how canals came to be important across the country, including Berkhamsted. It was an interesting day and the children (and adults!) had a great time.

## Year 5 Legal Eagles visit

The children of Year 5 Picasso class were treated to a courtroom experience this week. A visit from Legal Eagles – gave the children the opportunity to re-enact a magistrate courtroom trial. Great fun was had by all. Many of the children now have aspirations of pursuing a profession in the legal system.



## Great British Spring Clean



In March, the Eco Team took part in the Great British Spring Clean. They picked up litter around the school grounds, and the older children ventured out into Durrants Lane and Durrants Road to remove rubbish from the route which Milo takes every lunchtime on his walk. This will make it safer for him, as he is inclined to try to eat all kinds of unsuitable things. On the school grounds, the children found a lot of small sweet wrappers and lolly sticks around the Meeting Place. Please make sure that all litter, however small, is thrown away in the appropriate bin. More than 20 children

took part in the Spring Clean, collecting two bags of recyclable litter and three bags of non-recyclables. Thank you, Eco Team, for making the school grounds and the local streets cleaner, safer and more pleasant for everyone!



## Sensory Garden

This week our Sensory Garden was brought to life for the Summer term thanks to our Year 6 children and Mrs Dix. We look forward to watching the plants flourish over the next few weeks.

## **This Month's Sporting Updates ....**

This month has been another busy month for competitive sport at Westfield.

### **Netball match – Westfield vs St Mary's**

Our netball club has grown in numbers this term and this week some of our Year 4 & 5 girls played their first friendly match against St Mary's School. Our skills were closely matched by St Marys the final score being 4-2 to St Marys. Well done girls, we hope to arrange some more matches this term.

### **Girls Football match – The Final!**



Our girls' football team played in the Final of the Dacorum League against Greenway School. The girls played with courage and determination but unfortunately lost 2-1. To reach the final is a remarkable achievement and the girls' teamwork and dedication was outstanding. The girls are a credit to the school and their family and we would like to thank the parents for their unwavering support. A very big thank you to Mrs Bevan for running the team at the matches.

### **Chance to shine – Cricket**

On the first day back to school we were very fortunate to have Chance to Shine and All Stars Cricket Coaching for years one to six. All Stars will be running Cricket coaching for pupils in Year 1 - 4 from Northchurch Cricket Club and our Year 2 & 3 children have the opportunity to attend a free cricket club after school this term (this is now fully subscribed).



### **Bridgewater Cross Country 28th April**

A really big well done to those of you in Year 3 – 6 who ran so well on Saturday! You all did Westfield proud.

### **Daily Mile for All Ages in School**

We look forward to welcoming our community in school next Friday 4th May at 9am and at 3pm to take part in the Daily Mile with your children. We are running this event to help Hertfordshire County Council launch a new campaign called 'It's Never Too Late to be Active'. We hope to see as many of you there as possible.

Thank you for your continued support  
Suzanne Stace and the Westfield Team

If you would like to see more photos of the events in this month's news, please visit our website  
<http://westfieldprimary.herts.sch.uk/event-page/>

# APRIL AWARDS

Congratulations to the following children who have received awards.

## Headteacher's Awards

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6 Nevelson	Year 6 Riley
		Brooke Ollie	Eloise Ben Lucas			Samuel H Lucy R Eila Beth R Emily G Kaiser Leona Isabelle C Patrick Ebony Isabelle S Jessie B Salvador Yasmin P Jack T

## Values Awards:

### Thoughtfulness

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6 Nevelson	Year 6 Riley
Ella	Max	Mazie	Henry	Eloise	Hari	Luke JM	Emily G