



WESTFIELD WEEKLY

25th January 2019

Edition 18

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 31st January

- Year 6 Young Voices Concert

Advance Notice

Feel Good Week – Monday 4th to Friday 8th February

Monday 4th February

- African Drumming Assembly – 2.45pm (all parents welcome)

Tuesday 5th February

- Safer Internet Day

Friday 8th February

- Year 6 Class Assembly – 9am
- W1SPA – Year 3 Cake Sale
- W1SPA Wine Night

ADDITIONAL DIARY DATE

Due to the success of our 'Open Maths Morning' last week, we are delighted to inform you that we will be holding a 'Literacy Open Learning Morning' on the following date:

- Friday 1st March – 9am to 9.45am – all parents welcome

We will also be sharing further information on our Behaviour policy's principles and strategies used in school at our Open Literacy Learning Morning so please note the date in your diary and come along and enjoy some more learning with your child/ren. Thank you.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance figures for each class for the week beginning 14th January 2019.

Year 6	97.33%	Year 5	94.33%	Year 4	99.29%	Year 3	96.55%
Year 2	94%	Year 1	98.67%	Reception	96.67%	Nursery	88%

During the week of 14th January I am concerned to see an increase with lateness where we have seen 14 children arriving late for school. Please can parents/carers ensure that they arrive by 8.40am each day. Thank you.

Hertfordshire Additional Needs Database (HAND) SEND News

The January edition of HAND SEND News (Hertfordshire Additional Needs Database) is now available providing news for parents of children with additional needs and disabilities. It has information about free courses for parents, sources of advice, inclusive activities for children, support groups, the local offer and much more. Read all about it in the January edition of HAND SEND News: <https://handsendnews.hertfordshire.gov.uk>

Dacorum Music School Unisound String Day – Thursday 7th March

Dacorum Music School is holding a String Day for all string players in Year 3 and above on Thursday 7th March. If you wish to apply for a place please either complete the form attached and return it to the school office or apply for this event online by going to:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/dacorum-music-school-unisound-string-day-2019-tickets-54832653944>

Please note, application forms need to be signed by Mrs Stace to authorise the absence. Thank you.

Dacorum Music School are also starting some new activities - two free choirs (KS1 and KS2), and a new guitar group DIGITAR where pupils can bring their guitar and latest app on their device so the teacher can help and teach to the pupils learning style. Please see the attached flyer for further information.

Dog Fouling outside school

We have been informed by Dacorum Borough Council that they have received several complaints in a matter of days regarding the dog mess by the entrance to our school. The Council have been out and cleared it, and put up signage. The Council have also advised that if anyone is aware of who the offender is, to inform them and they will take relevant action. Details can be reported on the Dacorum Borough Council website <https://eforms.dacorum.gov.uk/EnvForms/ExtraQuestions.aspx>

Year 6 Young Voices Concert

Please can I take this opportunity to remind you of the arrangements for the Young Voices concert on Thursday 31st January:

- Children to arrive at school in full school uniform for normal registration.
- Please provide 2 packed lunches, one for lunch and one for tea.
- Bring 2 plastic bottles of water.
- If you choose to support the charity 'FareShare', children are invited to bring a can or packet of food to donate. Thank you.
- Children to be collected from school at 11pm.
- Due to the late night the Year 6 pupils and any siblings, if necessary, will be given authorised absence to arrive at school on Friday 1st February at 11:00am. **If your child & siblings are coming in late and have a school meal on a Friday, please ensure you have notified us of their lunch choices. Thank you.**
- Children are not permitted to bring mobile phones.

DSPL Siblings Group

Please find attached a flyer and information regarding the upcoming Siblings Group, starting on Wednesday 6th February. If you would like to book your child a place on this group, please complete the basic information form and return the form, by Wednesday 30th January, to: **Ashley Fabray - fabraya@kls.herts.sch.uk**

W1SPA News

Wine Night, Friday 8th February, 8pm to 10 ish! It'll be a great (and cheap!) night out, trying tasty wines, available from the high street. Parent Paul Banham, aka The Wine Hooligan is donating his time and sommelier services to help raise funds for school, so it's a no-brainer - enjoy some tipples and raise money for our pupils! Please don't delay returning your booking forms. The deadline is February 1st and we can't extend - Paul needs sufficient time to source the wines. We also have set a minimum number for the event to proceed, so the earlier forms are returned, the better. If you came last year, come again, and if you didn't, and enjoy wine, then come! It's £10 a person - it's a bargain.

Film Night - the rescheduled date is Friday 15th March, booking forms will be sent home shortly.

Disco date for your diary - Friday 1st March

Helpers please - we need to expand our pool of helpers for both film nights and discos, so if you think you could offer a little bit of time, every now and then, please contact Bex on bexplendy@hotmail.co.uk, or Clair (discos) on clairhorsfield@hotmail.co.uk. We won't stomp you with responsibility! Pinky promise. Thank you.

Letters/Flyers sent home this week:

- *African Drumming Workshop*

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 Perseverance