



WESTFIELD WEEKLY

19th April 2024

Edition 27

Key Dates

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 22nd April

- Year 6 Class Update Meeting 2:45pm

Tuesday 23rd April

- Reception Class Update Meeting 2:30pm

Wednesday 24th April

- Year 2 Class Update Meeting 2:30pm

Thursday 25th April

- Year 4 Class Update Meeting 2:45pm

Friday 26th April

- Year 1 Cake Sale
- Parent Drop-In Session 8:30-9am
- W1SPA Disco

Advance Notice

Monday 29th April

- Year 3 Class Update Meeting 2:45pm

Tuesday 30th April

- Year 5 Class Update Meeting 2:45pm
- KS2 Author Visit – Ash Bond

Wednesday 1st May

- Year 1 Class Update Meeting 2:30pm

A message from Miss Leach...



Welcome to the summer term!

This half term we are exploring the value of perseverance, and what it means to our every day life in and around school.

There are lots of things happening this term for wider enrichment- the mini marathon being the start of our summer sports this morning. Thank you to everyone's' encouragement and support, and thanks to Mr Gilbert for setting the marathon scene this week for us in assembly. If any parents are running the London marathon on Sunday - Good luck and please let us know!

Have a good weekend,
Miss Leach

W1SPA Events for the Diary!

FRI 26th April - Spring Disco!

YR to Y2 - 4.30 to 5.30

Y3 to Y6 - 5.45 to 7pm

Spring disco for all year groups now on sale! Buy your tickets at <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/w1spa/> - sales close the night before!

Please please also consider signing up as a volunteer - we can't run school events without your help!

BIG NEWS!! W1SPA and Westfield School have set up a new Preloved Uniform Sales Station!

Please visit our cabinets in the office to find items and sizes available or to make a donation. Payments can be made with cash or cards / contactless. Have a look!



Email us at wispawestfield@gmail.com. Join our Facebook Group www.facebook.com/groups/wispawestfield or follow us on Instagram www.instagram.com/wispa_pta_group for all the latest.

Attendance – Every day at school counts!

Attendance & Number of Late Arrivals: 25 th – 28 th March 2024						
Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
90.63%	96.98%	95.83%	90.63%	91.52%	89.73%	89.5%
2	10	4	5	1	8	11

Our target is 95%. Being in school each day, if well, gives your child the best chance of learning and making good progress both educationally and socially. Please support the school by ensuring that your child attends school regularly and arrives ready to learn and on time. Thank you

Parent Drop-In Sessions

We will be trialling drop-in sessions every other Friday where Miss Leach and/or Mrs Goodchild will be available to discuss any questions you may have. These drop ins will be in the dining hall on Friday 26th April, Friday 10th May and Friday 24th May 8:30-9am before achievement assembly. We look forward to seeing you.

Next Week's Learning

Following feedback from our Communications Survey where you asked for more information on the learning taking place in class, we are pleased to introduce a new item in our Westfield Weekly where we will share the learning that the children will be doing in Maths and English for the upcoming week.

We hope you will find this supportive.

	Maths	English
Reception	Further developing subitising and making number arrangements	Non-Fiction Reading & Writing
Year 1	One-Step word problems	Non-Fiction Texts
Year 2	Division	Poetry
Year 3	Division with 2 & 3 digit numbers	Calligram Poems
Year 4	Ordering & Comparing Equivalent Fractions	Haiku Poems
Year 5	Calculating Angles	Rap Poetry
Year 6	Position & Direction	Biographies

Online Safety News


Keeping children safe online

A Parent's Guide to Safety and Privacy Settings









scan the QR code with your phone's camera for Parent Guides on how to help keep your children safe online

When you give a child access to the Internet, you give them access to the adult world.

The Internet treats everyone as adults and there are many things, they are not yet ready to know, which is why it is vital that some form of safety settings are in place. Doing something is better than doing nothing.

What happens online has an effect to what happens offline and what happens offline has an effect to what happens online.



Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Parents please contact your school to enquire attending their next e-safety workshop or have any concerns.

Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.

Skips Educational Email: info@skipsed.com Tel: +44 121 227 1941

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www.skipssafetynet.org

Big Battery Hunt Campaign



We have joined up for the Big Battery Hunt 2024. This is a nationwide battery recycling programme for schools funded by Duracell. Its aim is to increase the number of batteries currently being recycled in the UK.

Pupils are challenged to collect as many batteries as they can, encouraging their communities to do the same.

The more Batteries we collect the more chance the school has of winning some amazing prizes including £3,500 towards outdoor equipment, Nintendo Switches, and more! Thank you for your support.

Westfield Mini Marathon – Well Done!

Thank you and congratulations to all those who took part in Westfield's mini marathon this morning. Everyone showed fantastic focus, determination and most of all, brilliantly positive encouragement for each other to reach 2.6 miles.

Thank you in particular to those family members who came to support and participate today. Your presence was such a great boost for all the children.

Years 1, 2 and Reception have also been working towards 2.6 miles throughout this week which is incredible so a huge WELL DONE to you all too.

Wellbeing and Parenting Information

School Nursing Team Newsletter Survey

The School Nursing Team would welcome parent feedback on what you would like to see in future editions of their newsletter and what parents would find helpful. Please spare a couple of minutes to complete feedback via the QR code below or via the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QDS6G2T> The School Nursing team would like to thank you in advance for your help and support.

Talking Anger in Families

Supporting Links are running online weekly sessions from 5th June to 10th July (9:45-11:30pm) for parents and carers of children aged 0-12 to help provide support and strategies to handle anger in yourself and others within in the family. For more information and to book, please visit: www.supportinglinks.co.uk

Introduction to the SEND Local Offer website - webinar

The Local Offer website lets parents and young people know what special educational needs and disabilities services are available in Hertfordshire, and who can access them.

It covers:

- Support within education settings
- Health and social care services
- Information for children in the early years (0 -5)
- Information on preparing for adulthood (ages 16 – 25)
- Information on Education, Health and Care Plans
- Money advice
- Find courses, support groups, inclusive activities and things to do
- A resource area, where you can find expert practical activities and strategies to support a range of needs and challenges

Please visit their website for further information: www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/localoffer

For full details of parenting courses and workshops available, please also visit: www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/parentingsupport

Dr Kathy Weston Newsletter

Dr Kathy Weston's Newsletter this week looks at sibling relationships and tackles the subject of nature vs nurture: [Wednesday Wisdom](#) | [Sibling Influences](#) | [Tooled Up Education](#)

Beezee Families

Beezee Families are running a series of FREE 12-week healthy lifestyle courses this Summer term. The sessions can be in person or online and start in the next few weeks. For further details and to sign up, please see the flyer below. Parents and Carers only need to scan the QR code to sign up.

Local Events and Information

Chiltern Arts – Listen Up Pioneers

Chiltern Arts are running an exciting new project called **ListenUp: Inspiring a New Generation of Audiences**. As part of the pilot phase for this project, they have launched "ListenUp Pioneers" and are inviting parents and grandparents to bring along their youngsters to any of their concerts — with free tickets for Under 16s and a special £10 rate for accompanying adults (or free where the group of Under 16s numbers 5 or more).

Every young person that attends will receive a free ListenUp Pioneers pin badge and will be given the opportunity to help Chiltern Arts shape this project right from the beginning. This is a unique opportunity to be part of the future of music and they would love as many people as possible to be involved in this pilot phase!

Please visit: <https://chilternarts.com/listenup-pioneers/> for more information.

Storm Basketball Skills Academy

The Hemel Storm Junior weekly skills academy is restarting for the summer term every Monday and Wednesday at the Laureate Academy in Hemel Hempstead. Sessions run from 5-5:45pm. For more information and to book, please visit: <https://stormbasketball.net/weekly-skills-academy>

Rugbytots

Dynamic weekly play sessions for children aged 2–7 to develop their social and physical skills in a fun, positive environment. For more details, just call or email: **0345 313 0107** Laura-Jo@rugbytots.co.uk

Storm Basketball Semi-Final Match

Hemel Storm are in the playoff semi-final at Hemel Leisure Centre on Saturday 20th April at 7pm vs Bradford Dragons. Tickets available online at www.stormbasketball.net or on the night.

Cricket at Northchurch Cricket Club for Years 1-6

Northchurch Cricket Club are running more teams than ever this year and, through a mixture of training, matches and specialist coaching, are offering cricket to boys and girls from age 5 to 16. Please find below a link to the Northchurch Junior Cricket Newsletter for further information:

<https://www.northchurchcc.com/news/junior-cricket-at-northchurch-2024-2688632.html>

Mayor's Garden Party

The Mayor's Garden is a FREE family event taking place at Sunnyside Rural Trust's Hemel Food Garden on Sunday 12th May, from 11am to 3pm. This event promises a delightful experience for all attendees, with a diverse range of activities tailored to suit every taste. From lively music and dancing to engaging crafting sessions and charming fairground stalls, there will be something for everyone to enjoy. For more information, please visit: www.dacorum.gov.uk/garden-party

Tring Midsummer Fun Run

Tring Running Club are holding a Fun Run on Wednesday 19th June from 4:30pm. Races will be from 5:30-7:30pm. All ages and abilities welcome and everyone gets a medal. There is also a 6km adult run. Under 18 entry is £1 and advance adult entry is £5. We understand Camel the Colin is also racing! For more information and entries, please visit: www.tringrunningclub.org.uk/event/tring-midsummer-fun-run

Letters/Flyers/Information sent home this week

- KS2 Author Visit
- Year 6 Social Media
- Summer Term Class Newsletters

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 this half term is Perseverance

W I S P A

'new to you' uniform available to buy here!

- Pop in at any time to have a look and buy
- Payment by cash / card / ApplePay / GooglePay
- Items priced between £1 - £4
- Good quality items, sustainable and low cost!
- All money raised will go to WISPA to benefit our children
- Please donate any outgrown uniform to the office



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Price list

- Polo shirts - £1.50
- PE t shirts - £1
- Jumpers - £3
- Cardigans - £3
- Hoodies - £4
- Summer dresses - £2

How it works:

- Have a look through at any time and choose what you'd like to buy - price list on the left
- To pay
 - **Cash** - take an envelope from the shelf, put the correct amount of money in and put it in the WISPA postbox to the right of the office window
 - **Debit/credit card** - scan the QR code to pay easily by ApplePay, GooglePay or debit/credit card
- Take your items!
- All money raised will go to WISPA to benefit our children - thank you!



- Please help us and other families by donating any outgrown uniform - please hand into the office, thank you.
- If you can spare a few minutes a week to help keep this area tidy, help with sales etc, please email wispawestfield@gmail.com. Thank you!



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W I S P A P R E S E N T S :

SPRING DISCO

Friday 26th April

4:30-5:30pm - younger disco for Years R, 1 & 2

{parents/carers MUST stay with reception children}

- £5 per child (siblings £4)
- Pre-book face paint / glitter tattoos with ticket £2
- DJ & quiet crafts & sweet treat included
- Bring your own water bottle

5:45-7pm - older disco for Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

- £5 per child (siblings £4)
- Bring money for face paint / glitter tattoos / tuck shop
- DJ, quiet crafts included
- Bring your own water bottle

Book now at www.pta-events.co.uk/w1spa



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Free concert tickets for curious young minds — and the chance for them to help us build a programme that brings music into everyone's lives.

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CAKE BAKING COMPETITION · STALLS · PIZZA

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WEDNESDAY 19 JUNE 2024

ARRIVE FROM 4:30

RACES 5:30 - 7:30

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TRING RUNNING CLUB

ALL AGES AND
ABILITIES WELCOME



EVERYONE GETS A MEDAL

6KM ADULT RUN

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UNDER 18 ENTRY £1

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For more information and entries, visit:
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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
POTTERS BAR Cranbourne Primary School EN6 2BA 17:00 - 19:00	WALTHAM CROSS Hurst Drive Primary School EN8 8DH 17:45 - 19:30	WATFORD Leavesden Green Community Hub WD25 0BW 17:30 - 19:30	HATFIELD Birchwood Avenue Primary School AL10 0PS 17:00 - 19:00
BISHOP'S STORTFORD Summernote Primary School CM23 5BJ 17:30 - 19:30	HEMEL HEMPSTEAD Hobletts Manor Junior School HP2 5JT 17:30 - 19:30	STEVENAGE The Oval Community Centre SG1 5RA 17:30 - 19:30	BOREHAMWOOD Meryfield Primary School WD6 4PA 17:30 - 19:30



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