



# WESTFIELD WEEKLY

12<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Edition 30

## Key Dates

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May

- Walk to School Week

#### Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May

- Special Lunch Menu – Gourmet Burger Day

## Advance Notice – Dates for your diary

#### Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May

- Reception – Health Screening

#### Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May

- Year 3 Trip – Hare Krishna Temple
- Year 4 Hudnall Park Parent Meeting at 9am

#### Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May

- Year 1 Singing Festival
- Non-Uniform Day – Please see W1SPA 'Rainbow Raffle' Information below for more details
- Reception Cake Sale

## Attendance – Every day at school counts!

Attendance & Number of Late Arrivals: 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2023							
Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
95%	88.89%	95.42%	85.36%	96.23%	88.74%	95.4%	97.06%
0	3	1	2	1	6	3	0

**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.**

If your child is absent, you **MUST** inform the school for each day of absence by phone or email. In addition, on any subsequent/further day of absence please update the school with the situation so we are aware of how things are progressing. The duty of care (whether your child is in school or not) is a key part of our work at Westfield and this can only be achieved with clear co-operation between home and school. Thank you.

## Water Bottles

As the weather gets warmer (hopefully!), please remember to send your child to school with a water bottle each day and please remember to only fill with water. Thank you.

## Special Menu: Gourmet Burger Day – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May

On Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May, we will have a special 'Gourmet Burger' lunch menu of:



- Beef Burger (Red Option)
- Quorn Burger (Green Option)
- Cheese Roll (Yellow Option)

Children will be able to choose from the above options at normal registration, no need to book in advance.

## Walk to School Week



Walk to School Week is an annual celebration of walking and all its benefits and takes place between Monday 15<sup>th</sup> to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May. We would like to encourage all our pupils to walk or scoot to school if you live close enough. If you don't then maybe park a short distance away and walk the rest of your journey to school.

## Dr Kathy Weston Newsletter

Dr Kathy Weston's Newsletter this week 'Digital Diets and Dove' is devoted to the theme of understanding eating disorders: [Digital Diets and Dove - Tooled Up Education](#)

Previous articles are also available via the tooled up website: <https://www.tooledupeducation.com/tooled-up/wednesday-wisdom/>

## Local Events and Information

Please find below details of local events, activities and information for:

**Learn to Balance and Ride and Developing Better Bike Control Courses** – suitable for children from age 3.5 to teenage, the courses are an opportunity to learn to ride a bike in a safe and supportive environment. Courses to be held at Tudor Primary School in Hemel Hempstead on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> May and Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May. Prices have been held for this year at £32 for the recommended two sessions and £19 for one. The price includes provision of a balance bike, quality lightweight pedal bike and a helmet for each child. Sessions are one hour long with a maximum of 5 children per session. For more information and booking details, please see flyer below or visit: [www.hertsbalance.uk/public-schedule-booking](http://www.hertsbalance.uk/public-schedule-booking)

**St Thomas More Footballathon** – This year's annual St Thomas More Footballathon will take place on Friday 23 June, from 4–6.15pm. Details can be found on the attached poster, or you can visit this link for more information: <https://www.stmore.herts.sch.uk/page/?title=Footballathon+2023&pid=434>

**Ashridge House Outdoor Theatre** – Ashridge House are hosting a brand-new outdoor theatre event on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May. Grab a snack, a blanket and some good friends for a fun-packed family show – Robin Hood performed by Illyria. Details can be found on the flyer attached, or please visit their website: [www.ashridgehouse.org.uk](http://www.ashridgehouse.org.uk) to book tickets.

## Letters/Flyers/Information sent home this week

- Author Visit – Reception, Years 1 & 2
- Year 1 Singing Workshop
- W1SPA Rainbow Raffle
- Year 4 Hudnall Park Parent Meeting

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 .... Tolerance**

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

# RAINBOW RAFFLE

## A chance to win a coloured food bundle!

- Find your class colour below
- Monday 22nd May - bring in donations of food / drink in your colour (no alcohol or perishables) - see below for examples!
- w/c 8th May - raffle tickets will be sent home with children, buy as many as you like - £1 per ticket, return raffle stubs (with names/phone written on the back) and money to the WISPA postbox in the office by 8:45am Friday 26th May
- Friday 26th - the raffle will be drawn during the day - one winner per colour!
- Winners can take their bundle at pickup on Friday 26th May or collected later
- Fri 26th - children to come to school wearing an item of their class colour e.g. t shirt / trousers etc - no uniform needed

Nursery - rainbow

Reception - red

Y1 - blue

Y2 - pink

Y3 - green

Y4 - purple

Y5 - yellow

Y6 - orange



WISPA is Westfield Primary School's Parents Association, and every Westfield parent / carer is a member

[wispawestfield@gmail.com](mailto:wispawestfield@gmail.com)



### LEARN TO BALANCE AND RIDE AND DEVELOPING BETTER BIKE CONTROL COURSES (MAY & JUNE 2023)



One of the best skills children can learn, opening up opportunities for fun, independence, activity and health for a lifetime

#### LEARN TO BALANCE AND RIDE (L2BR)

- For children typically aged between 3.5 and 11
- 85% + of children are normally riding after 2 sessions
- 1 Instructor to max 5 children
- Balance bike and lightweight pedal bike for each child included in price
- 1 hour sessions

#### DEVELOPING BETTER BIKE CONTROL (DBBC)

- Follow-on course for new or inexperienced riders
- Covers key skills of starting, stopping, turning, looking, riding close to others, gears and signalling
- 1 Instructor to max 5 children
- Bike provided if required (extra £3.00)
- 1 hour sessions

Full course details at: [www.hertsbalance.uk/course-descriptions](http://www.hertsbalance.uk/course-descriptions)

**Saturday May 13<sup>th</sup> and Saturday May 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Venue:** Cassiobury Junior School, Watford. WD17 3PD

**Tuesday May 30<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday May 31<sup>st</sup>**

**Venue:** Tudor Primary School, Hemel Hempstead, Herts. HP3 9ER

**Thursday June 1<sup>st</sup> and Friday June 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Venue:** The Ridgeway Academy, Welwyn Garden City. AL7 2AF

**Cost:** £32 for two sessions. £19 for one session.

For more information and to book, go to [www.hertsbalance.uk/public-schedule-booking](http://www.hertsbalance.uk/public-schedule-booking) email [phil@hertsbalance.uk](mailto:phil@hertsbalance.uk) or call Phil on 07941 061717.

Private L2BR, DBBC and Bikeability sessions are available for children and adults and families. Details at [www.hertsbalance.uk/private-sessions](http://www.hertsbalance.uk/private-sessions)



RETURNING FOR 2023

# ST THOMAS MORE FOOTBALLATHON 5-A-SIDE

**£3**  
PER INDIVIDUAL ENTRY

ARRIVAL/REGISTRATION  
**3:30-3:55PM**  
TOURNAMENT  
**4-6:15PM**

**FRIDAY  
23 JUNE**

SIGN UP QUICKLY, SPACES FILL UP FAST!

ENTER AS A TEAM (MAX OF 7 PLAYERS PER SQUAD)



SCAN ME

#### REGISTRATION

TO ENTER YOUR TEAM VISIT:

[ST-THOMAS-FOOTBALLATHON](http://ST-THOMAS-FOOTBALLATHON)

[www.stthomas.ac.uk/football](http://www.stthomas.ac.uk/football)

The Footballathon Tournament is part of the St Thomas More School Association Summer Fair. BBQ, bar and stalls will be open for spectators and players to enjoy throughout the tournament.

## ASHRIDGE HOUSE



Join us in the garden at Ashridge House this May half term for a magical show of 'Robin Hood', performed by Illini.



### Outdoor Theatre: Robin Hood

## ASHRIDGE HOUSE



With good King Richard away at war, the rich and powerful will lie, cheat, and break every rule to seize power. And they're ready to play dirty! Luckily, so is the swashbuckling Robin Hood and his team of misfit rebels. Together, they plot to bring down the corrupt Sheriff of Nottingham, the scheming Prince John, and every single greedy villain they meet along the way. It's a fast-paced treat for all ages - and Robin Hood never misses a target!

This action-packed production delivers huge laughs, daring adventures, and well-deserved revenge! Pick a picnic as Illyria swoops in with an unforgettable season of outdoor theatre at Ashridge House.

Running time (approx): 1hr 50mins (inc 20 minute interval)

Suitable for ages 5+ (younger children also welcome!)

Wednesday 31st May 2023

Doors open: 1:00pm Starts: 2:30pm

**Adults:** £18.00  
**Under 12's:** £10.00  
**Under 2's:** Free

Head to [www.ashridgehouse.org.uk](http://www.ashridgehouse.org.uk) to book today!

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