



# Westleigh Methodist Primary School Newsletter



## Next week



- Monday 21.4.25 BANK HOLIDAY - school closed
- Tuesday 22.4.25 School re-opens 8.50am  
BIRD Phonics 8.30am  
Y3, 4, 5 Quiz Club 3.30pm  
Y6 Reading Booster 3.30pm
- Wednesday 23.4.25 BIRD Phonics 8.30am  
Theatre performance in school - please see later newsletter for payment information  
Y4 Times Tables Club 3.30pm
- Thursday 24.4.25 BIRD Phonics 8.30am  
Y6 Maths Booster 3.30pm  
Y2 Reading Club 3.30pm

Fri 10<sup>th</sup> April 2025



## A well done from Mrs Boardman...



Happy Easter everyone! Thank you to everyone who entered this week's Easter Egg Decorating Competition. There were so many fantastic entries. Here are some of our winners with the Easter Bunny as he delivered the prizes! Max in Year 5 was the overall winner. Well done to all children who took part.



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## 'Do All You Can' Golden Broom Award

Winner: Year 6

Well done for keeping your classroom tidy. Keep up the good work!





## Mrs Boardman Award

This week, this special award goes to all of Year 3. I was thrilled to read Year 3's persuasive letters. The aim was to persuade the Australian Government to protect the rainforest. Well done, Year 3.



## Good Work Awards



A highlight of my week is celebrating children's learning and fantastic effort with them.

- In Y4, Henry, Judi and Sana all worked so hard on their Geography research on Campania in Italy.
- Holly in Y5 shared her amazing non-chronological report on rainforest biomes. She used paragraphs, subheadings and capital letters for proper nouns. It was also beautifully presented.
- Aynur and Effie in Y3 were so proud of their Maths work. They had divided and showed remainders using a formal written method.
- Charlie in Y2 was bursting with pride as he shared his independent sentence writing. Well done.
- Melissa, Amelia and Charis in Y2 shared their summary of recent History and Geography units. This showed a really good understanding of the previous learning.

Well done to all of these children!

## Attendance



Please find your class weekly and yearly to date attendance below, alongside how many missed sessions this equals. 1 day = 2 sessions.

Year group(s) between 06 Sep 2024 and 10 Apr 2025	Weekly %	Weekly Sessions missed	YTD %	YTD sessions missed
Reception	83.1%	39	91.9%	408
Year 1	88%	36	92.2%	557
Year 2	76.7%	67	89.7%	686
Year 3	91.7%	20	95.5%	318
Year 4	91.3%	26	96.2%	286
Year 5	92.3%	23	91.9%	606
Year 6	95.5%	14	95.8%	337

Class Weekly 'Attend like a Star everyday' Award Winners	Class Weekly 'Attend like a Star on time' Award Winners
Year 6-95.5%	Year 4

Well done to our winning classes Year 4 and Year 6 for winning the award this week.

These 2 classes are leading the way winning these awards.



It was wonderful to see 62 children enjoy their 100% attendance reward for gaining 100% attendance throughout the summer term.





# Safeguarding Our Children

We can never completely eliminate stress for our children, in fact shielding them from the difficulties of life won't do them any favours. It's far more powerful to raise a resilient child who can bounce back from challenges and maintain a positive mindset. With the SATs for Y6 coming up, it's important to be prepared for any worries your child may express. Since stress is a natural part of life, our goal is to teach our children healthy strategies for coping with it. You can start by following the five steps here...

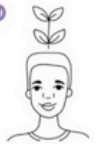
## STEP 1 REFRAME STRESS

Help your child shift from a "stress hurts" mindset to a "stress helps" mindset. Some level of stress is beneficial and presents opportunities for growth.



## STEP 2 SHIFT FROM A FIXED TO A GROWTH MINDSET

Help them look at the situation from a growth mindset perspective: It's not fixed, it can be improved, and they do have the power to influence the situation.



## STEP 3 STOP CATASTROPHIC THINKING

Do the **worst case scenario exercise**. Ask your child, "What's the worst thing that could happen?"



Caution: do not dismiss their worry!

## STEP 4 PRACTICE PROBLEM-SOLVING

Brainstorm solutions, doing more listening than talking. Think through the positive and negative consequences of each proposed idea, then choose one.



## STEP 5 TRY STRESS-MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES

Use techniques like deep breathing, stretching, listening to music, meditation, and practicing mindfulness.



## Kindness Awards

Kindness is important at Westleigh Methodist.

This week, we are celebrating Liliana in Year 3. She has really demonstrated our Christian values of kindness and forgiveness this week. She forgave a friend who had bumped into her in the corridor and took the other's child hand to show this. She is a true Westleigh Star and I am so proud of her.



## Our Choir Singing in the Community

We are incredibly proud of our talented primary school choir, who recently performed their first live concert at Westleigh Care Home. Their beautiful voices filled the room with joy, and the residents were delighted by the performance. It was a heartwarming moment for both our students and the community, showcasing the power of music and connection. We are so proud of our young performers for their dedication and enthusiasm in making this special event unforgettable!



## Year 4's Fantastic Music Performance



This term, year 4 have been working with Wigan Music service to learn the samba drums. They showcased the skills that they have learnt in a fantastic performance for parents and carers.

Year 4 enjoyed demonstrating the different rhythms and compositions they have learnt. Well done year 4!



Christian Values  
Champion

**This Week's Awards** Star of the Week



Year 6 Honey	Year 6 Rhys
Year 5 Holly	Year 5 Rowan
Year 4 Jeffrey	Year 4 Albie
Year 3 Raheli	Year 3 Kayla
Year 2 Arnie	Year 2 Hunter
Year 1 Rocky	Year 1 Essa
Reception Rex	Reception Sofia
Nursery Dexter	Nursery Alexander



## Theatre for Schools



On the 23rd April, we are going to be visited in school by Theatre for Schools, who will be treating us to a wonderful performance of Rudyard Kipling's 'The Jungle Book'. This production is a participation musical. The whole audience are rehearsed for 30 mins prior to the show where they are taught 5 chorus songs with arm movements and 9 children are chosen to receive a costume and join our production on stage with a small acting part.

The 55-minute production then goes ahead with everyone involved and the whole school singing along - the end result is truly magical, and the children are the stars! Image Musical Theatre have toured the UK for over 35 years and always receive 100% outstanding reviews. All actors are musically trained and come into school with a beautiful theatre set and wonderful costumes.

We are [therefore requesting a payment of £5 per pupil](#), paid via Arbor, so that all of our children at Westleigh can enjoy this amazing spectacular. Should we not receive enough contributions, we will unfortunately have to cancel the performance.

This an exciting opportunity for our pupils to see a live performance and forms part of the Infinite 8 experiences we would like them to have. We can't wait to see it!





**We will be holding a Scholastic Book Fair –  
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April to Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April  
3.30-4pm in the school hall.**

The book fayre will contain a wide range of exciting titles and stationery.

There is something for every pocket on the book fair to assist with the rise in the cost of living. Approximately 30% of titles are under £5.

This fayre will be cashless, and you will be able to pay via QR code at the fair. Please bring your mobile phones and credit/debit cards to the fair as the card details need to be entered.





## Epworth Worship Together



Each week we have a different focus for our Epworth Worship.

A film is shared between our family of Trust schools - a different film being produced each week by a different school. It is lovely to see the children of our Trust taking a lead in a different aspect of worship.

Last week we had our Epworth Worship Together LIVE! We all joined on-line to a joint Easter celebration where each school prepared and presented a section of the worship. The children shared the Easter story, songs, a Bible reading and poem - all schools contributing at different points.

Westleigh Methodist children lead all the children from the eleven schools in a prayer.

### Westleigh Worship

This week, we have been visited by members of 'Open the Book' from the Methodist Circuit. The group shared the Easter Story in such a fun and engaging way and some of our children even joined them on the stage in role.



### Visit Our Social Media Pages



Please see your child's social media page to see all the amazing work that is happening each week. We are using our pages to highlight the incredible curriculum opportunities that our children receive at Westleigh Methodist Primary School.

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Nursery @WLMNursery

Reception @ReceptionWLM

Year 1 @WLMYear1

Year 2 @WLMYear2

Year 3 @WLMYear3

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Year 6 @WLMYear6