



Westleigh Methodist Primary School Newsletter



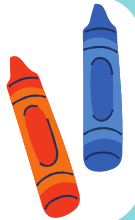
Next week



Monday 5.5.25	Bank Holiday. School closed. No Year 3 swimming this week
Tuesday 6.5.25	BIRD Phonics 8.30am Y3, 4, 5 Quiz Club 3.30pm Y6 Reading Booster 3.30pm
Wednesday 7.5.25	BIRD Phonics 8.30am Y4 Times Tables Club 3.30pm
Thursday 8.5.25 10.45 - 11.15	BIRD Phonics 8.30am VE Day Celebrations - see later in newsletter. Wear red, white or blue! Y6 Maths Booster 3.30pm Y2 Reading Club 3.30pm Choir Club



Fri 2nd May 2025



A note from Mrs Boardman....

Can You Help? New Parent Governor Needed

We are looking for a new Parent Governor to join our governing board from September 2025. We will email more information on the role separately but wanted to share this with you as soon as possible. Please look out for the email if you are interested or speak to Mrs Boardman.

New School Staff

We are excited that Miss Hunt returns from her maternity leave to take up her original Year 5 teacher position after half term. She will teach the class jointly with Mr Reading, an experienced KS2 teacher. Miss Williams, will be teaching in Year 3 as Miss Butler starts her maternity leave at the end of next week. I know you will join me in sending your best wishes to Miss Butler at this exciting time!



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'Do All You Can' Golden Broom Award

Winner: Year 5

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





Mrs Boardman Award

This week, this special award goes to Stephen in Y5. He is always a kind and thoughtful member of Year 5. He probably could get this award every week for being a ray of sunshine and brightening up everyone's day! Well done, Stephen, for Holding doors open for adults in school. You have shown how you are respectful.



Good Work Awards



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

- Y4 Autumn - for using fantastic adjectives in her character description of Stitch Head
- Y2 Arnie - Arnie has really impressed me this week with the use of brilliant similes to enhance his writing
- Y3 Theo and Sophie - Both of these children shone in Maths by making a great triangular based pyramid 3d shape with straws. They showed enthusiasm and a show good understanding
- Y3 Raheli - for excellent RE work identifying and describing the main features of a church
- Y2 Charis and Dovydas - I was so proud of both children for their spelling work on homophones

Well done to all of these children!

Attendance

Class Weekly 'Attend like a Star everyday' Award Winners Year 3 -96.7%	Class Weekly 'Attend like a Star on time' Award Winners Year 4
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Well done to our winning classes Year 3 and Year 4. Keep up the hard work! Year 4 are leading the way with winning the Punctuality Award the most this year - well done Year 4. We wonder if any other classes will catch them up!



Attendance matters and it is important your child is in school every day and on time.

Missed learning time really impacts children's progress and attainment. A staggering 1649 days have been lost across this year due to non-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)	Weekly %	Weekly Sessi...	YTD %	YTD sessions missed
Reception	93.1%	15	92%	429
Year 1	90.3%	29	92.2%	598
Year 2	88.7%	30	89.7%	734
Year 3	96.7%	9	95.6%	327
Year 4	91.7%	25	96%	319
Year 5	95.2%	14	93.1%	533
Year 6	94.2%	18	95.9%	357





Safeguarding Our Children



Recently, we have been blessed by beautiful, sunny weather. Please can you ensure on these days you send children to school with water bottles and sun hats. Thank you for your help with this.



Author Visit - Year 4, 5 and 6

In June, Kate Pankhurst, author of the 'Mariella Mystery' stories, 'Fantastically Great Women' series and 'We Are All Astronauts' is visiting school to talk to the children about her books. Kate is a well-known author and we are delighted to have secured a visit by her. She will be talking to the children to provide inspiration for their own writing and also enthusing them about the joy of reading. This will support the literacy work that we do in school and we hope it will prove a stimulating experience for the students.

Please see email to Y4, 5 and 6 parents on how to sign up and send payment. Thank you.



Kindness Awards



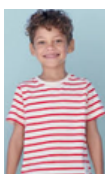
Kindness is important at Westleigh Methodist. This week, we are celebrating:

- Louis in Y3 for being kind to a friend who was feeling poorly and sticking work into her book
- Raheli in Y3 was also acknowledged for recognising the kindness of others and nominating them for an award in a self-less way
- Maddison in Y6 found a large amount of money on the playground and made sure it was returned to the owner
- Ben in Y6 was nominated by Miss Moseley for holding open the door for her.

Well done to all these children.

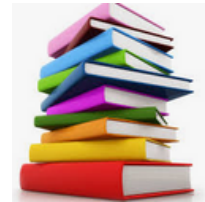
Upcoming VE Day Celebration

We have sent out our summer Save the Date document but I wanted to highlight one upcoming event with you - our VE Day celebration on **Thursday 8th May from 10.45 - 11.15**. Weather permitting, this will be held on the school playground where you can watch the children's parade, listen to the choir sing songs from the 1940s, sing the National Anthem with us and be part of the national VE photo mosaic - more information to follow. Children are invited to wear red, white and blue clothing on this day.



Scholastic Book Fayre

The book fayre has been a great success. This year we have accrued £308.97 in rewards. This money will be used by school to invest in cross-curricular books and books for class libraries. Thank you so much for all your purchases and support once again. It was so lovely to see the children excited about their new books and showing such a love of reading.



Christian Values
Champion

This Week's Awards Star of the Week



Year 6 Tony	Year 6 Julian
Year 5 Jack P	Year 5 Summer
Year 4 Sana	Year 4 Joranus
Year 3 Jonas	Year 3 Jonas
Year 2 Lyla	Year 2 Layla Grace
Year 1 Bonnie	Year 1 Beatrice
Reception Sisanda	Reception Ava Rose
Nursery Nevaeh-Rose	Nursery Mbiamuajije

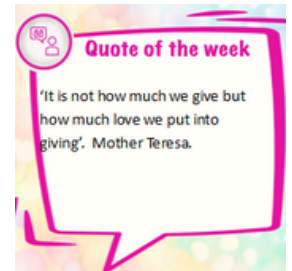
Epworth Worship Together



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.

This week, we have been looking together at the value of generosity. In class, the children then looked at the Christian Aid website and also found out about the Five Pillars of Islam.



Westleigh Worship



This week, we continued the value of generosity by looking at St Francis of Assisi's quote about giving, receiving and generosity: 'It is in giving that we receive'. The children watched a short film of the Bible story - 'The Feeding of the 5000' and reflected about how the little boy in the story gave so much and how we could be generous in school.



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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