



# Westleigh Methodist Primary School Newsletter



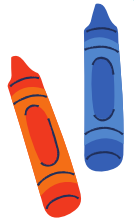
## Next week



Monday 24.2.25	Return to school after half term break
8.50am	3.30pm Y5 Brathay Parent/Carer Meeting
Tuesday 25.2.25	
3.30pm	Y1, Y2 and Y3 Reading Club Y4 - Y6 Yoga Club
Wednesday 26.2.25	
3.30pm	Y4 and Y5 Reading Club Y6 Maths Club
Thursday 27.2.25	
3.30pm	Y2 - Y6 Choir
Friday 28.2.25	
3.30pm	Y2 - Y6 WigLe Dance Club



Friday 14th  
February 2025



## A Note from Mrs Boardman...

This week we were so lucky to have a visit from Emily Ford, an Olympic rower. It was inspiring to hear her story of resilience, hard work and amazing achievements. She motivated us to be active and aspired us to aim high. As we listened to her life story, the children's 'wows' could be heard around the hall. A day we will never forget!



## Contacting School

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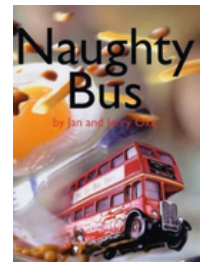
## 'Do All You Can' Golden Broom Award

Winner: Year 2

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



## Mrs Boardman Award



This week, this special award goes to Andreas from Nursery. Mrs Horrocks was bursting with pride. Andreas was so excited to tell Mrs Boardman all about the Naughty Bus using fantastic adjectives to describe its wheels, windows and journey!

## Good Work Awards



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

- Charis, Dovydas and Isabella in Y2 wrote fantastic diary entries in role as George from George's Marvelous Medicine.
- Lilly May in Y4 produced a booklet about 'Pugs of the Frozen North', the class text.
- Samuel in Y3 shared his fantastic painting which used brush strokes to create a realistic picture of grass.
- In Y5, Ruby and Charlie's writing had detailed paragraphs about scientific inventions. This was a really good example of cross-curricular writing.

Well done to all of these children. You made my week!

## Kindness Awards

Kindness is important at Westleigh Methodist. In Y6 Ben, Abigail, Tony and Aaliyah supported children during our Olympian visit.

Ben also helped Mrs Boardman after worship time.

In Y6, Lucas A and Julian helped with litter picking without being asked. Lucas A also retrieved a school frisbee (nominated by Miss Bennis). Thank you for kindness.



## Attendance

Class Weekly 'Attend like a Star everyday' Award Winners	Class Weekly 'Attend like a Star on time' Award Winners
Year 4 – 98.3%	Year 4

Well done to our winning class Year 4 for winning both the Attendance and Punctuality Award this week



Unfortunately there has been 386 late marks between 6<sup>th</sup> January and 13<sup>th</sup> February – 99 children make up these 195 lates.

These are shockingly sad figures and really does have an impact on children's wellbeing and their progress and attainment due to missed learning.

Please can you all ensure you children are in school every day on time as this really has an impact on them missing their learning at the start of the day.



# Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.

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

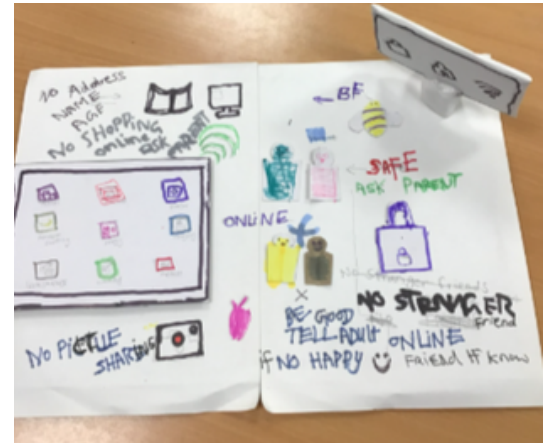
Year group(s) between 05 Sep 2024 and 13 Feb...	Regist...	Weekly %	Weekly Sessions missed	YTD %	YTD sessions missed	Group Size
Reception	Reception...	91.5%	15	91.5%	16	29
Year 1	Year 1	91.7%	25	91.7%	44	30
Year 2	Year 2	94.2%	14	94.2%	70	31
Year 3	Year 3	93.8%	18	93.8%	30	30
Year 4	Year 4	98.3%	5	98.3%	20	29
Year 5	Year 5	88%	36	88%	64	32
Year 6	Year 6	95.8%	13	95.8%	42	31

## Safer Internet Day

We have worked with the children this week on key messages from Safer Internet Day - Tuesday 11th February.

We ran a poster competition to promote this important learning. The children also engaged in activities in class throughout the week to raise awareness. Miss O'Connor, our Computing Lead, is happy to answer any questions or support worries at home around this.

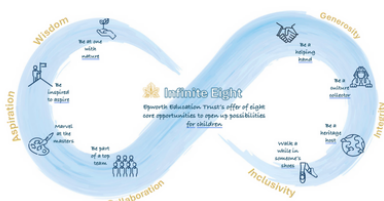
Our internet safety competition winners are Aydin and Essa from Y1 who worked so hard at home making their 3D posters. They really looked into how to keep safe online and were able to tell the whole class how to do this.



## Education Sunday Bedford Hall Methodist Church

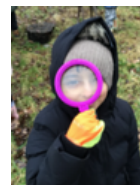
On Sunday, a group of our children visited Bedford Hall Methodist Church. The two schools worked together to share information on our Infinite Eight project. This outlines our schools' offer of eight opportunities for children to enjoy meaningful experiences beyond the taught curriculum during their time in an Epworth Trust school.

Mrs Coleman and I were so proud as the children spoke with confidence about activities such as residential visits, fundraising and hearing live music.



## Year 1 Visit to The Hive

The Y1 children visited The Hive on Wednesday which offers a unique space made up of a series of gardens adorned with natural play equipment. The Hive is a brilliant outdoor site for inspiring young minds with lots of opportunities for outdoor learning and natural play. We had so much fun doing a mini beast hunt and working in small groups to make shelters using tarpaulins.





# Safeguarding Our Children



This week we have been thinking about how to keep safe online. The handy guide (emailed with this week's newsletter) was shared by my Chair of Governors.

It offers some really good advice and tips on keeping children safe online.



### Parents guide to technology

 <p><b>Phones</b> Guide to phones including top tips and advice about safety tools.</p>	 <p><b>Laptops</b> Looking for advice on how to support your child in using a laptop safely and responsibly? Read our guide and FAQs.</p>	 <p><b>Smart Speakers</b> Looking for advice on how to support your child in using a smart speaker safely and responsibly? Read our guide and...</p>	 <p><b>Games Consoles</b> Looking for advice on how to support your child in using a games console safely and responsibly? Read our guide and FAQs...</p>
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<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>



Christian Values  
Champion

## This Week's Awards Star of the Week



Year 6 David	Year 6 Lara
Year 5 Amelia	Year 5 James G
Year 4 Lilly-May	Year 4 Valentina
Year 3 Raheli	Year 3 Maxim
Year 2 Minnie	Year 2 Edi-Jade
Year 1 Oscar	Year 1 Ki Ki
Reception Fiyin	Reception Eryx
Nursery Siannah	Nursery Amber

# 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 looked at British Values and in particular mutual respect and tolerance. In classes, we have thought about different ways we can show respect.



## 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.

Westleigh Primary School @WLMPrimary

Nursery @WLMNursery

Reception @ReceptionWLM

Year 1 @WLMYear1

Year 2 @WLMYear2

Year 3 @WLMYear3

Year 4 @WLMYear4

Year 5 @WLMYear5

Year 6 @WLMYear6