



Westleigh Methodist Primary School Newsletter



Next week



Monday 8 th Dec	Y6 Booster
Tuesday 9 th Dec	3.30pm Christmas Fair and Wellbeing Coffee Afternoon with choir performance - hall
Wednesday 10 th Dec	3.30 Choir Club
Thursday 11 th Dec	3.30 Y1 Dough Disco 3.30 Y4 Times Tables Club 3.30 Y6 booster Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Dinner Day
Friday 12 th Dec	2pm Nursery Nativity film in the hall

Monday 8th December 2025



A note from Mrs Boardman...

Last week, we were delighted to welcome the Open the Book team into school for a special worship. They shared the inspiring story of Zechariah and Mary, helping the children learn about the moments when both were visited by an angel and received surprising news. The children enjoyed exploring the themes of trust, courage, and hope as they watched the story unfold. A huge thank-you to the Open the Book volunteers for delivering such a thoughtful and memorable worship.

Mrs Boardman's Award

Year 1 have been thinking about their class value 'thankfulness' and Gracie-Mae created a prayer to say thank you for all the lovely Christmas celebrations and giving us caring friends at school.



It was a wonderful way to deepen our understanding of Advent and its messages.



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'Do All You Can' Golden Broom Award

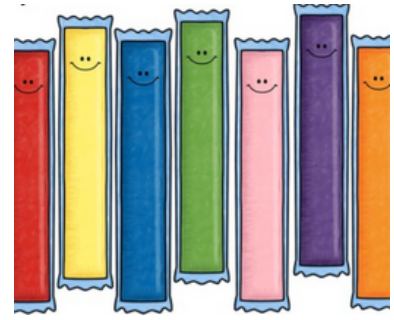
Winner: Nursery
Well done for keeping your classroom tidy. Keep up the good work!



Attendance

Well done to Year 5 for winning Attendance Ted this week with 97.9% - let's aim for every class achieving 95% again next week.

How great would that be!



Well done to Year 5 for being the most punctual too.

Year 4, 5 and 6 were awarded an ice pop as their 95% attendance prize this week! I would love to buy them for the whole school!



Persistent Absence (Below 90%)



It is considered that attendance of 90% or below is PERSISTENT ABSENCE. Failing to improve on 90% can lead to prosecution, which school want to help families avoid.

Letters are sent to inform families of attendance dipping below this figure. We offer help with a range of support strategies. This may be help from the school nurse, our school's pastoral manager, the Local Authority Attendance Team and the Early Help Team.

Reception	86.7%
Year 1	91.7%
Year 2	94.3%
Year 3	86.8%
Year 4	97%
Year 5	97.9%
Year 6	95.3%



This Week's Awards

Christian Values
Champion

Star of the Week



Year 6 Seanan	Year 6 Elliot
Year 5 Bella C	Year 5 Neva
Year 4 Dolcie	Year 4 Jake
Year 3 Delphine	Year 3 Kaleb
Year 2 Ava	Year 2 Faham
Year 1 Benjamin	Year 1 Ollie
Reception Hudson	Reception Rose
Reception Scarlett	Reception Kobie

Christmas Pop-Up Prayer Space

Last week our hall became a calm and beautiful Pop-Up Prayer Space, giving us chance to pause and reflect on the themes of hope, peace, love, and joy from the Christmas story.

Children moved around a series of stations where they wrote hopes on stars, enjoyed quiet moments of peace, thought about acts of kindness, and reflected on what brings them joy. A special highlight was Mary's Quiet Place, a gentle space to think about what she may have treasured in her heart.

The visit ended with a reminder that each of us can "shine our light" through small acts of kindness. It was a thoughtful and meaningful experience for all.



Great Work Award

A highlight of my week is sharing amazing work with children. Last week we are celebrating...

- Jacob in Y5 for amazing writing on Alfred the Great.
- Kaleb in Y3 shared his wonderful diary entry in role as The Stone Age Boy
- Jaxson and Ava in Y2 shared their multiplication skills in their Maths lesson.

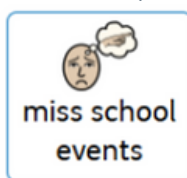
Well done to all of these children.



School Council

Our School Council has looked at 2 projects this week...

Pupils from the council are designing posters to remind families not to use the high school car park at drop-off and pick-up times. The children discussed why this is important and agreed that keeping traffic away from busy areas helps everyone stay safe. Their posters will be displayed around school and shared with families soon—keep an eye out for their fantastic designs!



With lots of exciting activities happening in the run-up to Christmas, they also talked about how we keep our school calm, kind, and ready for learning. They will remind their classes of our visual Behaviour Policy and the fact that Stage 4 or 5 consequences could result in missing key events over Christmas. We want a respectful school where rules are followed.

We are very proud of the thoughtful ideas from our School Council. Thank you to all the pupils who continue to represent their classmates so responsibly. We look forward to sharing more of their work next week!



Westleigh Worship

Last week in worship, the whole school was filled with music and excitement as we practised our Christmas carols for the wonderful celebrations coming up.

We are very much looking forward to sharing these special moments with our families.

Please find the dates and times of each event below:

🎄 Friday 12th December - 2:00pm Nursery Nativity - filmed production

🎵 Monday 15th December - 9:15am and 2:00pm Key Stage 2 Carol Service

★ Tuesday 16th December - 9:15am Reception Nativity

★ Wednesday 17th December - 9:15am and 2:00pm Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity



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's Epworth Worship Together, led by Wheatley Lane, helped us learn about Advent as a time of hope, waiting, and preparation. The children reflected on the Advent candles and discussed how small acts of kindness can help bring light to others during this special season. Some suggested ideas for home include:

- Light a candle and share something hopeful.
- Try a kindness countdown or enjoy a Christmas story together.



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



Kindness Award

Kindness is key at Westleigh Methodist.

Last week we celebrated Lilly May for helping with a younger child in the hall and offering to sit with them.

Well done, Lilly May.

