

Westleigh Methodist Primary School Newsletter



Our School Vision :

We are a loving, inclusive family, rooted in our Christian Values and nurturing ethos. We provide a positive learning environment where all children can achieve their full potential.

*Our Christian values: **love, teamwork, thankfulness, generosity, peace, forgiveness, equality and justice***



Attendance Award



Attendance matters

Well done to Year 4 for winning Attendance Ted this week with 97.9% attendance. The only class this week to earn their ice-pop treat!

Best punctuality this week goes to Year 1 . Well done everyone!!!



Punctuality Award



Reception	92.7%
Year 1	93.4%
Year 2	97.6%
Year 3	88.7%
Year 4	97.9%
Year 5	94.7%
Year 6	91.7%



Children who achieved 100% attendance in Autumn and Spring Term are proudly wearing their special 'Bronze Award' and 'Silver Award' badges in school this week. Please ensure they wear them every day on their uniform in recognition of this brilliant attendance. Being here every day and being ready on time does improve children's life chances and children that attend less than 96% underperform significantly.

This week's news

Friday 10th July 2026



We are a HEALTHY SCHOOL- school lunches

As a Healthy School, we are committed to encouraging positive habits that support our children's wellbeing, concentration and learning. We kindly ask parents and carers to support this by providing a balanced and nutritious packed lunch where possible.

A healthy lunchbox should aim to include:

- A starchy carbohydrate such as wholegrain bread, wholemeal wraps or pasta for sustained energy.
- A source of protein such as lean meat, fish, eggs, beans or hummus.
 - A dairy item such as cheese or yogurt.
- A variety of fruits and vegetables, for example carrot or cucumber sticks, cherry tomatoes, apple slices or berries.

Thank you for supporting us in promoting healthy choices and helping our children to be ready to learn throughout the school day.

<https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes/>

Nut and strawberry- free school

As we approach the end of the school year, we would like to remind all parents and carers that we are a nut free and strawberry free school.

This is due to several members of our school family having severe allergies, and avoiding these foods is essential in helping us keep everyone safe. Please do not send any items containing nuts or strawberries in packed lunches, snacks or treats brought into school.

We greatly appreciate your understanding and support in helping us provide a safe environment for all of our children and adults. Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Uniform

We would like to remind all parents and carers of the importance of following the school uniform policy each day. Wearing the correct uniform helps promote a sense of pride, belonging, and readiness for learning. Please ensure that your child comes to school in the appropriate uniform at all times, including suitable footwear and any required items. Thank you for your continued support **in maintaining high standards across the school.**

This week's awards



Christian Values Champions



Nursery	Ajlin
Reception	Mbijamuaije
Year 1	Sofia
Year 2	Ashley and Kay
Year 3	Aiden
Year 4	Jimmy
Year 5	Vehonga
Year 6	Millie

Star of the Week



Nursery	Anna-Julianna
Reception	Alise
Year 1	Jayleen
Year 2	Sofia
Year 3	Delphine
Year 4	Dolcie
Year 5	Zara
Year 6	Max

This week's awards



Miss Sumner's 'I See You' awards



While many awards focus on high achievement our 'i see you' award is designed to recognise the small but significant victories that often happen behind the scenes.

The I see you award is given to children who have demonstrated personal growth such as Resilience, Kindness and compassion, Emotional growth or community spirit. Well done to **Sofia (Y1)** and **Lainey (Y6)** who have received one this week!



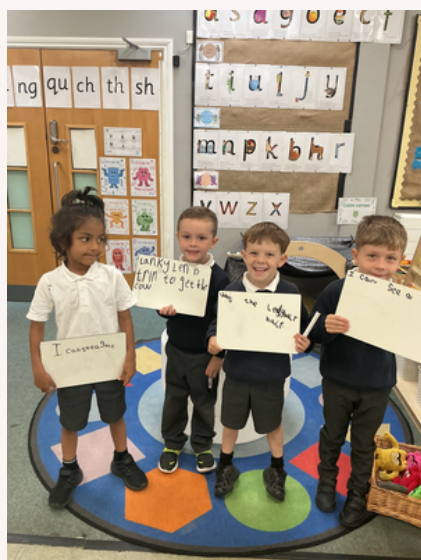
A peek at our week...



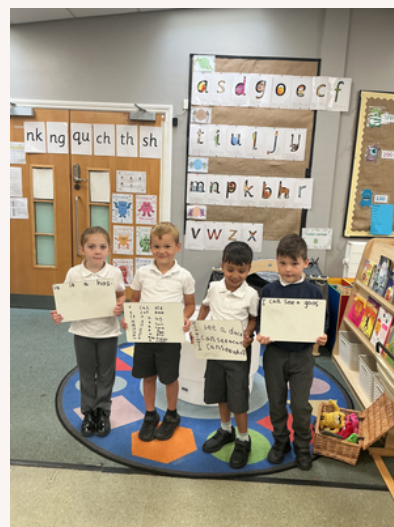
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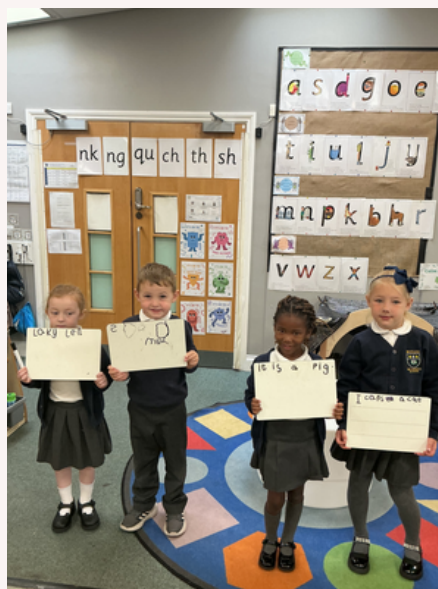
This week Nursery have read Billy's Bucket. We looked at coral reefs and even made our own with play dough and coloured pasta !



Reception



Reception children wrote story sentences inspired by the book 'What the ladybird heard'. The children came up with their own ideas and used their phonic skills to spell words without adult support.



A peek at our week...



Y1



Year 1 found some lost toys in the classroom. They wrote a poster and used their lost toy as inspiration to re-write the story 'Lost and Found'. In computing, we explored how to compose a beat using different instruments and listened carefully to hear the instruments our friends had chosen



Y2



Year 2 Began sewing their designed puppets in DT



A peek at our week...



Y3



Year 3 have been practising their glockenspiel skills in music



Y4

Year four have been designing and building bug houses in DT. They have been working with wood and learning how to safely use saws to cut their wood to size. They're not done yet but the children are very happy with their progress.

Year four performed for the last time this year in music. They excelled their selves with the samba drum performance.





A peek at our week...

Y5



In DT, we created Viking honey bread. We researched and planned our recipe thinking carefully about what ingredients were around during the Anglo Saxon and Viking age. We measured our ingredients following the recipe and added honey and different fruits for taste.



Y6



In History, Year 6 have been learning about the decline of the Mayan city-states, exploring a range of factors including overpopulation, deforestation, warfare, famine and prolonged drought. Pupils have considered how these factors combined to contribute to the collapse of the Mayan civilisation.

They have also been busy rehearsing for their end-of-year production, 'Will We Survive Year 6?' Pupils have been practising their singing, acting and stage presence, showing growing confidence and enthusiasm as they prepare for their performance.



Next week at a glance

13th July	Reception Stay & Play
14th July	Y1 Class Worship
15th July	SEND meetings
15th July	Nursery (am) Reception (pm) Sports Day
16th July	Y6 Performance

Contacting school



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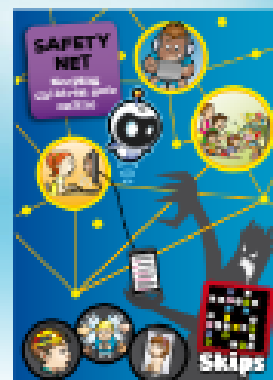
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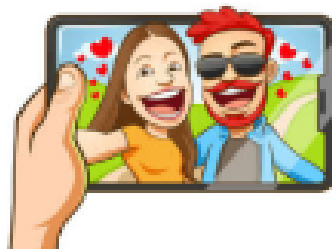
School's out for summer!

It's always best to be prepared

During the summer holidays, without the distraction of school, internet usage for many young people can increase all the way up to September. This guide is designed to help parents with a realistic approach to help keep their children safe when using the internet, social media and playing online games. Please click on each image below for more information.



A Parent's Guide to Social Media



A Parent's Guide to Sharing Pictures



A Parent's Guide to Gaming



A Parent's Guide to Live Streaming



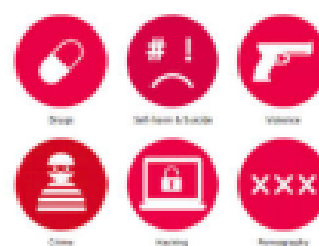
A Parent's Guide to Online Grooming



A Parent's Guide to Online Influencers



A Parent's Guide to Fake News



A Parent's Guide to Privacy Settings

Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Parents please contact your school if you would like to attend a parents internet safety workshop or have any concerns.

Schools please [contact us](#) if you would like a SKIPS Safety Net session delivered to your parent groups or staff.

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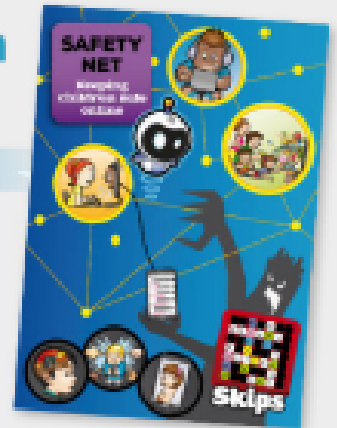
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Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.

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Skips



When Something Goes Wrong Online — A Simple Action Plan for Parents

1. Stay Calm First

If your child tells you something worrying:

- Thank them for telling you
- Avoid blaming or panicking
- Reassure them: "We'll deal with this together."

2. Keep the Evidence

- Take screenshots (include usernames and dates)
- Save messages
- Keep profile links

3. Use Official Reporting Routes

Grooming or exploitation – CEOP: www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre

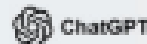
Illegal images – Internet Watch Foundation: www.iwf.org.uk/report

Nude images shared (under 18s) – Report Remove: www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/report-remove

If in immediate danger, call 999.

4. If You Feel Overwhelmed - Use Structured Support

You can use free ChatGPT to help structure next steps.



Free access: <https://chat.openai.com> Example prompts:

- My child received inappropriate messages. What steps should I take in the UK?
- How do I report online grooming?
- What should I say to my child after cyberbullying?

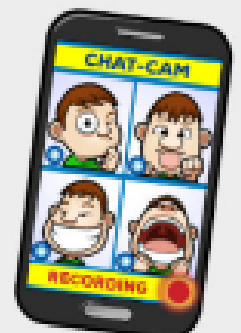
Important: ChatGPT is a support tool and does NOT replace official reporting or police action.

5. Ongoing Protection at Home

- Keep regular, calm conversations
- Review privacy settings together
- Monitor gaming contacts
- Encourage early disclosure

Children will make mistakes online, just as they do offline.

Trust and communication protect them more than punishment.



scan the QR code with your phone's camera for Parent Guides on how to help keep your children safe online

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