



Another fun and industrious week at school. This Tuesday was Safer Internet Day. All of the children spent time in class learning how they can stay safe online. For the older children in school, a great deal of emphasis was placed on being kind online as much as you are face to face. We also discussed the apps children use and the age restrictions on these. They all created E-Safety posters for a whole school competition and they will be announced in next week's newsletter. Thank you Mr Peers for organising a wonderful day.

Today the children focused on mental health and well-being, wearing their scarf to school. We have encouraged the children to find some quiet time over the weekend to just be still and relax.

Key Notices

We communicate key information via Parentmail, Class Dojo and in Nursery and Reception we use Tapestry. If you do not have access to any of these platforms please speak to Mrs Clarke in the office.

The carpark next to The Westleigh High School, is having building work from half term until at least Easter. This means we ask that no parents/carers park here during this time as this carpark belongs to the high school. To support this the gate onto our main playground near the Start Well entrance will not be open for access in a morning or after school. This is to keep everyone safe whilst this building work takes place. School Nursery can still access their class via this car park and round the back to their classroom door. Everyone else should enter school via our two main playground gates at the front of school. Thank you for your support with this.

Dates for your diary

- **WC 14th February** – all after school clubs and tutoring clubs are still on next week. Spring 1 after school clubs will finish at half term and then Homework, Board Games, Multi-Sports will start after half term, High 5s/Netball is on the whole of Spring term so will continue. New tutoring letters for Spring 2 will go out next week.
- **Friday 18th February** – last day of Spring 1 half term and school closes for half term
- **Monday 28th February** – first day of Spring 2 half term and school opens
- **WC Monday 28th February** – Spring 2 clubs start – please see slips sent home and website for further information <https://www.westleighmethodist.wigan.sch.uk/clubs>
- **Thursday 3rd March** – World Book Day – more information to follow from Miss Hunt English Leader
- **Friday 18th March** - Red Nose Day - more information to follow from Mrs Taylor
- **Thursday 7th April** – last day of Spring 2 half term and school closes for half term

COVID Updates

- Please refer to any 'Warn and Inform' letters sent home via Parentmail.
- To keep our school community as safe as possible could we please ask that you wear a facemask when picking up/dropping off children in the school yard and also if you need to call in to the school office.
- If any children in school display symptoms we will contact parents to come and collect them. PCR tests must be taken if displaying symptoms as you cannot rely on a lateral flow test.

- All adults who are fully vaccinated and children aged 5 to 18 years and 6 months, identified as a contact of someone with COVID-19 should take a lateral flow device (LFD) test every day for 7 days instead of self-isolating. Daily testing by close contacts will help to slow the spread of COVID-19.
- People who are self-isolating with COVID-19 have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with an LFD test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to their education or childcare setting immediately on day 6. The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken 24 hours later. All test results should be [reported to NHS Test and Trace](#). If the result of either test is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days (24 hours apart) or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest. Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10-day period of self-isolation.

Attendance Winners

Whole School: 92.9%

This week's Class Attendance Winners are:

1st: Y3- 99.7%

2nd: Y4- 97.0%

3rd: Y2 – 92.9%

Worship

This week in worship we have continued to explore the story of Moses and how God used him, even though he thought he was not good enough and believed he did not have the skills. In the true Westleigh way we discussed how with God all things are possible and when we trust in God and our own abilities we can achieve great things. We looked at when Moses went to set his people free from slavery and how God sent ten plagues upon Egypt, until the Pharaoh eventually realised the Hebrew slaves (God's chosen people).



Star of the Week



Core Values Champion



Year 6

Zain for amazing effort in English and when listening to our class story.

Carriann for showing responsibility as a super librarian!

Year 5

Kayla-Mai for always being a helpful superstar in year 5!

Isabella for showing responsibility every day in everything that she does!

Year 4

Marcus for always taking pride in his work and setting an excellent example.

Lacey G for always displaying respect and helpfulness.

Year 3

Ella for always trying her best in her learning

Julian for being a responsible learner

Year 2

Rowan for trying his best and working independently in his maths lesson.

Summer for showing respect to her friends and always choosing to do the right thing.

Year 1

Eli for working independently in his English lessons.

Alex for showing respect towards his friends.

Reception

Sophie for recalling stories and talking about characters

Kaine for being responsible during team games.

Nursery

Zak for showing lots of enthusiasm during the Stickman story!

Gracie-Mae for always being responsible and helping around the classroom.

Visit our Twitter Pages

Please visit your child's class Twitter page to see all of the amazing work that is happening each week. We are using Twitter to really showcase the incredible curriculum opportunities that our children receive at Westleigh!



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Nursery: @WLMNursery

Reception: @ReceptionWLM

Year 1: @WLMYear1

Year 2: @WLMyear21

Year 3: @WLMYear3

Year 4: @WLMYear4

Year 5: @WLMYear5

Year 6: @WLMYear6