



Westleigh Methodist Primary School

Weekly Newsletter: WC 15th January



This week found our children very excited and in wonder at the snow and ice. It was lovely to see all children making snowmen and even snow angels on Tuesday.

Learning to read is one of the most important things your child will learn at school, therefore at Westleigh, reading is at the forefront of our school and forms a key part of our curriculum. We understand the importance of reading within the curriculum and how this can help children progress through their life. Reading has a profound impact on a child's educational outcomes, mental wellbeing and it is also a joyful, magical experience for the children.

As a school, we have been developing how we teach reading and promoting how to read as a reader. Please can encourage all parents to support their children reading their reading book at home at least 3 times a week and sign planners when this is completed.

Dates for your diary

- Friday 2nd February – **Number Day** – more information to follow from Mrs Coleman
- Tuesday 6th February - Safer Internet Day – more information to follow from Miss O'Conner
- Monday 12th February to Monday 15th July – Swimming for Y3
- Friday 16th February – Last day of Spring 1 half term
- Wednesday 14th February to Saturday 30th March – Lent
- Thursday 15th February – Parinirvana (Nirvana Day)
- Monday 19th – Friday 23rd February - Half Term Holiday
- Monday 26th February – School opens for Spring 2 half term
- Friday 1st March – St David's Day
- Thursday 7th March – World Book Day – more information to follow from Miss Hunt
- Monday 11th March to Wednesday 10th April – Ramadan
- Friday 15th March – Comic Relief – more information to follow from Miss Hunt
- Sunday 17th March – St Patrick's Day
- Thursday 28th March – Last day of Spring 2 half term

Attendance

Year Group	Attendance This Week
Nursery	97.8%
Reception	92.5%
Year 1	88.28%

Year 2	95.67%
Year 3	93.33%
Year 4	92.67%
Year 5	91.4%
Year 6	90%
Whole school from 4 th September	93.09%

The top three classes, if above 96%, each week will get to take a spin of the wheel and have the chance to earn money for their end of year treat. Some of the treats chosen by classes are very exciting. Ask your child what they are working towards.

Well done Nursery, who got a spin of the wheel this week.

Attendance prize totals stand at:

Nursery	Reception	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
£6	£4	£6	£12	£36	£12	£3	£5

Excellent attendance at school is vital to securing the greatest possible personal development and academic progress for each child. As we begin the new school year, we expect all families to be committed to excellent attendance.

Excellent attendance is 98% or above.

Worship

This week in worship we have explored the theme of strange danger. We have discussed who strangers are, how we can keep safe around people we do not know and who are trusted adults within our community that we can seek help from if needed. The children had great ideas on how to keep safe both in the public and online.



This week for Epworth Worship Together we looked at faithfulness. This was led by Wesley Primary School's Prefects. Children were asked to think about what it means to be faithful to others and what it means for others to be faithful to us. They reflected by considering the ways in which they could practice faithfulness in their daily lives



'Do all you can' Golden Broom Award Winners:

Year 1 for the amazing way they have kept their room clean and tidy.
Well done!!

Play Leaders' Stars of the Week:

KS1: Caleb W (Y2) for joining in well with games.
KS2: Holly L (Y3) for helping with games and showing teamwork.



Christian Values Champion



Star of the Week



Year 6

Hamna for being such a good friend to others.

Gabriele for putting so much effort into everything she does!

Year 5

Lexi L for showing fantastic teamwork by helping others in Design Technology.

Ryan for completing some fantastic pieces of writing in English and for sharing great ideas.

Year 4

Ava Mae for showing brilliant love and teamwork.

Oliver for having a good attitude to learning and working hard all week.

Year 3

Mia for showing love

Jacob for working really hard

Year 2

Dolcie for displaying love and peace.

Caleb for his amazing work in his English.

Year 1

Melissa for displaying great teamwork at school.

Dominic for brilliant English work this week.

Reception

Teamwork in PE

Listening and trying hard during PE games

Nursery

Ellie for showing care to younger children

Max for settling back into nursery and meeting new friends

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Westleigh School: @WLMPrimary

Nursery: @WLMNursery

Reception: @ReceptionWLM

Year 1: @WLMYear1

Year 2: @WLMyear21

Year 3: @WLMYear3

Year 4: @WLMYear4

Year 5: @WLMYear5

Year 6: @WLMYear6