

Westfield Primary

September 2026



A note from Mrs Martin

As we come to the end of another busy and productive week, I would like to take a moment to celebrate some of the wonderful learning taking place across our school.

I have had the pleasure of seeing some fantastic artwork created by our Year 3 children, showcasing both creativity and care. In Year 5, I was particularly impressed by the super sentences pupils have been writing using fronted adverbials, demonstrating their growing confidence and skill as writers. Our youngest learners in Nursery have also been busy, producing some wonderful paintings and exploring their creativity through colour and expression. It is always a joy to see the enthusiasm, effort and pride our children show in their learning, and I would like to thank both pupils and staff for another successful week.

Looking ahead to next week, we are looking forward to our Reception Phonics Workshop on Wednesday, which is a great opportunity for parents and carers to learn more about how we teach early reading and how they can support their child at home. On Thursday, we will be holding a dress-down day in exchange for a cake donation ahead of our Macmillan Coffee Morning on Friday. We hope you will be able to support this wonderful cause, either by donating cakes or joining us for a coffee and a slice of cake on Friday morning.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable weekend.



Attendance Matters



Every day matters and every minute counts. The more time we spend in school, the more opportunities we have to learn, grow and succeed.

Unfortunately, our attendance has dipped this week to 95.7%. We know that there have been several bugs and illnesses circulating throughout school, and many of our children have been feeling under the weather. We would like to wish everyone who has been unwell a very speedy recovery, and we look forward to welcoming them back as soon as they are feeling better.

Thank you to all our families for continuing to support good attendance and punctuality whenever children are well enough to be in school. Every day in school really does make a difference to children's learning and progress.

Let's work together to beat this week's figure and get our attendance back on the rise next week. Here's hoping the germs disappear, everyone feels much better, and we can finish the month on a high!



Curriculum Updates

Next week, we are excited to share our brand-new curriculum letters with families. These letters will give you an overview of the exciting learning taking place in each year group this term, including key topics, subjects and experiences your children will be exploring.

We are incredibly proud of our curriculum and cannot wait to share the wonderful learning journey ahead with you. We hope these letters will help you feel even more connected to your child's learning and provide opportunities for discussions and support at home. We look forward to sharing them with you next week!



Maths Updates

Improving outcomes in mathematics is one of the key priorities within our School Improvement Plan this year. You may have noticed that we are no longer using the White Rose Maths booklets that children have worked from previously. Following a review of our maths curriculum, we have introduced a new approach that places a greater emphasis on children practising, revisiting and securing the key mathematical skills they need to become confident and capable mathematicians.

It has been wonderful to visit classrooms and see children and staff working collaboratively, discussing their learning and using practical equipment and representations to deepen understanding and solve problems with confidence. The rich mathematical conversations taking place across the school are helping children explain their thinking and develop a deeper understanding of concepts.

A particular focus for us this year is developing mathematical fluency. Fluency is the foundation of successful mathematics and enables children to recall key facts quickly and accurately, freeing up their thinking for more complex problem-solving and reasoning tasks. By ensuring children have regular opportunities to practise and apply core number skills, we are helping them build the confidence and understanding needed to tackle more challenging mathematical learning.

We are excited by the positive start we have seen already and look forward to sharing more of our maths journey with you throughout the year.

Dates to remember

23rd September - Reception Phonics workshop

25th September - Macmillan Coffee Morning

28th September - Y6 Residential leaves

28th September - Y3/4 mixed football tournament

1st October - Open morning

1st October - PTFA coffee afternoon



Are you able to help?



Can You Help Us Transform Our Outdoor Hut?

We are reaching out to our wonderful school community for support with an exciting project to renovate our outdoor hut area. Unfortunately, this space has not been used for some time and has started to deteriorate. The flooring has become damaged and is in need of repair, while the exterior would benefit from some much-needed refurbishment. We would love to restore this space and give it a new purpose for our children.

Our vision is to create a calm, welcoming environment where children can enjoy quiet reading, reflection and small group intervention sessions. We know this could become a valuable space that supports both children's wellbeing and learning.

To make this happen, we are looking for support from anyone who may be able to donate materials, supplies or expertise. Whether you have building skills, experience in carpentry, decorating, landscaping, or access to materials that could help with the renovation, we would be incredibly grateful to hear from you.

If you would like to be part of this exciting community project and help us create a special space for our children, please contact the school office by email.

Together, we can transform this neglected area into something truly wonderful for our Westfield children.



WESTFIELD COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS

Celebrating pupils who make a difference in our school and wider community.

At Westfield, we are incredibly proud of the difference our children make both in and beyond our school community. Our Westfield Community Champions spotlight celebrates pupils who go above and beyond, whether through fundraising, volunteering, acts of kindness or making a positive impact on the world around them. These inspiring stories showcase the values we champion every day and recognise the children who are helping to make our community a better place.

☀️ Shout Out to Isla! ☀️

A huge well done to Isla for her incredible fundraising efforts in support of Compton Care. After donating clothes, shoes, toys and books, Isla's kindness and generosity helped raise an amazing £59.77 for the charity.

This achievement is particularly meaningful to Isla and her family, who are passionate supporters of Compton Care and the wonderful work they do. We are incredibly proud of Isla for making such a positive difference in her community and demonstrating our school values of kindness and compassion.

🌍🍋 Shout Out to Evan and Arthur! 🌍🍋

A massive congratulations to Evan and Arthur who spent their weekend running a lemonade stand and raised an incredible £183 for Greenpeace. The idea was inspired by Evan's learning in school and his interest in protecting rainforests and supporting responsible palm oil farming. With fantastic support from family, friends, neighbours and members of the local community, the boys worked hard to make their fundraising event a huge success.

We are so proud to see our pupils using their learning to make a positive impact on the world around them.

🍋 Shout Out to Lola and Millie! 🍋

A huge well done to Lola and Millie for showing incredible kindness, creativity and community spirit over the summer.

The girls set up their very own homemade lemonade stall at the bottom of their road to raise money for the Dudley Stroke Association, a charity close to Lola's heart. Inspired by her family's connection to the charity, Lola came up with the idea and, together with Millie, worked brilliantly as a team to make it a success.

Over just two days, they raised an incredible £78.40, along with almost £10 each in tips. What a fantastic achievement!