

Dear Parents

Festive Light Trail

Thank you to everyone who turned out in the cold last Friday evening to support the Friends of Westfield Festive Light Trail. It was lovely to see everyone in their festive outfits getting into the spirit of Christmas. I am sure you will join me in thanking the Friends and everyone involved in making sure the evening was a success.

School Information

Our Stars

A huge 'congratulations' to our special stars this week. To achieve this award children have tried very hard to excel in an area of their learning or behaviour. Our stars this week are:

Reception	Grace Malcolm	Oakley Baxter	Alfie Shaw
Year 1	Harry King	Lily Sutton	Bodhi Strickland
Year 2	Quinn Henderson	Alex Huang	Lily Stubbs
Year 3	Lottie Henderson	Rowan Walker	Bonnie-Rose Smith Titi Akinola
Year 4	Kelsey Tyler	Finn Timmins	All of 4M for Super Teamwork
Year 5	Amelia Thompson	Esme Walker	Millie Alcock Jacob Mussa-Beaumont
Year 6	Wilson Gough	Alessia Munago	Rafaels Placis-Vitols

Amazing Achievements

Well done to the following:

Daniel Kearns has passed his Blue stripe grading in Tae Kwon Do

Attendance

Congratulations to the following classes who were winners for the week commencing $\mathbf{6}^{\text{th}}$ December.

Gold Trophy Mr Clark's Class (96.67%)
Silver Trophy Mrs Waldock's Class (94.96%)
Attendance Ted Mrs Harris' Class (99.29%)
Mrs Bull's Class (99.28%)

Reception Places - September 2022

A reminder that the application process is now open to apply for Reception places for 2022-23. This applies to all children who were born between 1 September 2017 and 31 August 2018. Please use the following link to make your application - <u>Apply for a school place</u>. The deadline for making your application is 12 noon on 15^{th} January 2022.

Year 1 - Phonics Check Meeting

To ensure the safety of all of our staff, parents and children, the Year 1 Phonics check meeting will now be a short video sent home to parents in January. There will be an opportunity to e-mail with any questions or speak to your child's teacher on the door.

Oracy Challenge: A Christmas Journey Stick

The Christmas holidays are the perfect time to go for a walk and get talking. Journey sticks were used by Aboriginal people in Australia to recount journeys to people at home upon their return. They found a large walking stick, collected materials found along the way, and tied them to the stick in the order that they found them.

Next time you go on a journey - a trip into town or a winter walk in the local park - collect items for your journey stick. These could be natural materials such as feathers, pine cones or leaves, or momentos such as train tickets, receipts or Christmas cards. You could even theme it to the holidays by attaching things such as holly, mistletoe and pine needles. Attach your souvenirs to a stick (one from the park will do) in the order you collected them, using string, ribbon or wool or something sparkly for a festive twist. Use your stick to recount your journey. What was each place like? What did you see and hear there? Did you learn any new words? Which part of the journey does the memento represent? Why did you choose it? Why not choose someone to tell all about your journey?

Cool Milk

We have been advised there will be no delivery from Cool Milk on Tuesday 4th January 2022. Parents will be refunded for this missed delivery.

Support at Christmas

We recognise that Christmas can be a difficult time for some families and wanted to ensure that you as parents are aware of the support available around domestic abuse. EDAN Lincs Domestic Abuse Service is a registered charity. They cover the county of Lincolnshire, and provide support and assistance to men, women and children suffering, or fleeing from domestic abuse. They can be contacted at:

Outreach Hours: Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm

Refuge Hours: Monday - Friday: 8.30am - 8.30pm Tel: 01522 510041

General Enquiries: info@edanlincs.org.uk Secure Email: info.secure@edanlincs.cjsm.ne

NHS Lincolnshire Public Consultation - Opportunities for Young People

NHS Lincolnshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) are currently running a public consultation exercise on the future of four NHS services as part of our ongoing work to develop and improve the services we can offer to our local population. The consultation ends on 23^{rd} December 2021 and services being consulted on are:

- Orthopaedic surgery across Lincolnshire
- Urgent and emergency care at Grantham and District Hospital
- Acute medical beds at Grantham and District Hospital
- Stroke services across Lincolnshire

Please see the attachments below which are linked to the consultation:

- POSTER FINAL 16.9.21.pdf
- LEAFLET FINAL 16.9.21.pdf
- KEY INFORMATION DOCUMENT FINAL 16.9.21.pdf
- J34052 NHS Consultation Easy Read Document PROOF.pdf

You can complete the questionnaire here: https://www.lincolnshire.nhs.uk/get-involved/our-campaigns/changes-to-nhs-services/complete-consultation-questionnaire

Internet Safety - A Date with Dan - Q&A

A recent Online Safety Q and A for Parents can now be viewed here: <u>A Date with Dan Online Safety Parent Session - YouTube.</u> In the session, Dan covered common questions that we are asked by parents. It would also be great if you could send the following links out for parents to access:

- https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/ Parental control guides for consoles, home broadband, entertainment apps and more.
- https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/ Thinkuknow. A website with more information about grooming, how to talk to children about online risk and how to manage their safety online.
- https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxMnZ02Sl1AbtIhq-m3rrVQ LSCP YouTube Channel. Has a number of videos for parents, carers and professionals on subjects such as grooming, sexting, parental controls and more.
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ikIditnqmf8 A video on gaming for primary age students
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QSkQYrIxvBI&t=1s A video about indecent image sharing (Sexting) for teens
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=un_0GYcs8Ts&t=1s A video about managing group chats for primary age students

Bourne Westfield School Lottery

Congratulations to Mrs Laud who was the winner of the school lottery last week. The winnings increase as more people join - if you want to join for just £1 per ticket per week and have a chance of winning the weekly draw, then please go to $\underline{www.yourschoollottery.co.uk}$, search for Bourne Westfield and follow the on screen instructions.

Atkinson's Announcements

What a fantastic two terms we have had back at school. It has been so heart-warming to see the children getting back into the routine of learning. I wanted to take an opportunity to publicly thank all of the staff at school who, as you can imagine, have worked tremendously hard to ensure that school has been a safe and fun place to be since September. This has been a huge team effort with everyone pulling together to get it right. I also want to thank all of you for continually supporting the school's procedures in order to keep everyone safe.

I hope that you and your children have a peaceful, healthy and enjoyable festive break. We look forward to seeing the children back at school on Tuesday 4th January.

Miss K Atkinson Head of School