



Dear Parents

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	Tobias Ferrara	Hattie Chamberlain	Hugo Collingwood
Year 1	Ava Wood	AJ Carter	Willow Quirke
Year 2	Ethan Pegg	Myla Walker	Colby Nash
Year 3	Archie Hallam	Rory	Harry Brampton
Year 4	Charlie Riley	Jack Lock	Hannah Hayes
Year 5	Charlie Meadwell	Lucy McLaren	Joanne Akinsulire
Year 6	Alaina Friguglietti	Joshua Barker-Magowan	Poppy Cunnington
			Darcie Hunt

We were delighted with the level of attendance at school last week, with lots of classes at 100% - well done children.

Calendar Dates

Please see below calendar dates for terms 1 and 2; these will be updated and shared at the beginning of each 'big' term. Please make a note of any relevant dates on your calendar - particularly around clubs - thank you.

Terms 1 & 2 After School Clubs (school led)

The response to clubs for Term 1 and 2 has understandably been very high. It has therefore been necessary to put a cap on the number of children attending depending upon the club, age of pupils and the space. We have allocated clubs now for Terms 1 and 2 but will look at numbers next week to see if we can add more - watch this space. If your child does not get a place in their chosen club this term, there will be further opportunities to apply for clubs in terms 3/4 and 5/6. Children in Key Stage 2 will also have an opportunity to join in lunchtime and music clubs.

School led clubs will start next week (week commencing **Monday 18th September**). Club slips will be sent via Parentmail this evening informing parents of which club children have been allocated. **ALL** clubs finish promptly at 4:00pm. Clubs end on **Friday 8th December** - please make a note of this on your calendar. Please note the following:

- Children will be registered at the start of the club; therefore, if for any reason your child cannot attend on the day of the club please let us know.
- All clubs finish at 4:00pm prompt. Please ensure that your children are collected on time at the end of the club. The location of all pick up points from clubs is highlighted on your child's acceptance slips.
- **PERMISSION TO WALK HOME AFTER CLUBS** - Year 5 and Year 6 children require permission to walk home from clubs up to October half term. ALL children must be collected from after school clubs from term 2 due to the darker evenings.

- There is no access to the school car park to collect children from after school clubs.

Cross Country (Years 3-6)

All children who signed up for cross country have got a place so please ensure they are at the Kingsley Avenue gate promptly at 8:15am for Mrs Anderson to let them in. Children should come to cross country in their PE kit and bring their school uniform to change into.

OPAL News - wet weather plans!

As we recognise the value of play and being in the outdoors, we would like to remind you that our OPAL vision is for there to be fewer than 5 'wet play' days in the school year. This means it is important that your child brings a **coat** to school every day. Don't forget we have the FOW swap shack on site now if you need anything!

Our aim is that every child will be able to access the whole site all year round; however, we are still planning the best way to implement welly storage to facilitate this. As you can imagine, finding space for 600+ pairs of wellies to be kept on site and easily accessible to all year groups is not easy. So, please bear with us as we make this transition and keep a look out for any potential pleas for help... we may need your assistance.

Thank you for your understanding and ongoing support with our OPAL project - we couldn't do it without you. Please keep your donations coming, we do need a continuous supply of loose parts. We will send out the full Opal loose parts ideas list via Parentmail to remind you the type of things we are always needing! This week we are still looking for donations of old gardening tools - spades, trowels, forks etc. as well as any old rolls of wallpaper or lining paper, old paintbrushes, and rollers etc. Your support so far has been amazing, thank you!

Calling all Budding Poets

This year the Willoughby Memorial Trust are hosting the Lincolnshire schools poetry competition 2023 and are inviting children to write a poem entitled 'Refuge' (National Poetry Day theme for 2023). The competition is open to all pupils of Lincolnshire schools in the following groups:

Key stage 1: ages 5-7 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes available £20, £15 and £10 respectively

Key stage 2: ages 8-10 years 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes available £20, £15 and £10 respectively

The competition will be judged by Emily Dickens, Stamford Poet Laureate and winning poems will be on display in the library at the Willoughby Memorial Gallery from 15th November until 24th November 2023 (Tuesday-Sunday 12 noon - 5pm). Prize-winners will be invited to read their poems in the library at a prize-giving evening on 24th November.

Poems must be in English and no more than 40 lines long, preferably typed or must be written clearly in ink or ball-point pen on one side of A4 paper.

Each poem should have clearly written at the bottom of the page the poet's name, Key Stage number, age of poet, date of birth and school - any entries not clearly marked may not be judged.

- Competitors may enter one poem only.
- No alterations may be made to poems once submitted.
- Poems must be the original work of the entrant.
- No prize will be awarded in any class where entries are not of sufficient merit.
- Poems will not be returned unless requested and a stamped addressed envelope enclosed.
- The Judge's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into regarding the decision.
- For enquiries, please telephone 01476 550972.
- Closing date for receipt of entries Monday 16th October 2023

Entries should be submitted separately as attached 'Word' documents or jpegs (if scanned from hand written originals) to poetrycompetition@willoughbygallery.com or entries may be posted to: W.M.T. Lincolnshire Schools Poetry Competition c/o Graham Underhill Old School Yard 8 Bourne Road Swinstead Grantham, Lincs., NG33 4PQ

Friends of Westfield - Follow us on Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/FriendsWestfieldBourne>

Swap Shack - It has been lovely to see so much activity in the Swap Shack over the first week of term. A steady stream of bags arriving and a steady stream of goodies being taken to new homes. A special thank you to our regular FOW helpers who keep the shack nice and tidy, sorting all the new donations as they arrive. We have lots of uniform right now, so please do come take a look if you need anything - plus, there are lots of coats, books, wellies, football boots and other trainers / shoes - perfect for spares and forest school. If you haven't yet taken a look, please do pay a visit - the shack is opposite the music room near the KS2 playground. Swap - don't shop! A few parents have asked if they could make a small donation to our fundraising kitty in return for uniform and other swap shack items, this is entirely optional but if you would like to our Paypal details are [paypal.me/friendswestfield](https://www.paypal.me/friendswestfield) or search by email friendsofwestfieldbourne@gmail.com our short name is @FriendsWestfield - do check for our logo showing and the full name description including Bourne as there is another similar named account.

AGM & 2023/24 Planning Meeting - This year we have lots of exciting ideas and plans already but **WE NEED YOU** to help us. Do you have skills you can offer to our small but eager team of FOW volunteers? Our AGM and 2023/24 planning meeting will be held next Monday 18th September at school from 6:00pm. We appreciate how busy everyone is, so whether or not you can make the meeting, it would be great if you could register your interest on our Volunteers Form - [Volunteer Form](#). We hope to see lots of new faces at the meeting.

Bourne Westfield School Lottery

Congratulations to **Ms Coates** 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 www.yourschoollottery.co.uk, search for Bourne Westfield and follow the on screen instructions.



Miss K Atkinson
Headteacher

EDAN Lincs Domestic Abuse Service 01522 510041 <https://edanlincs.org.uk/>

Providing support and assistance to men, women and children suffering, or fleeing from domestic abuse in Lincolnshire

Healthy Minds Lincolnshire <https://www.lpft.nhs.uk/young-people/lincolnshire/young-people/i-need-more-help/healthy-minds-lincolnshire#>

Providing support and treatment for children, young people and their families, who are experiencing emotional wellbeing difficulties.

Place2be <https://www.place2be.org.uk/>

Place2Be is a children's mental health charity working with pupils, families and staff in UK schools.

MIND <https://www.mind.org.uk/> 0300 123 3393

Providing support for people living with a mental health problem or supporting someone with a mental health problem.

Calendar of Events 2023-24

September	
Wednesday 6th	Term 1 Begins for all children
Monday 11th	Swimming commences for Year 4 children
Friday 15th	11+ Testing at Bourne Westfield (Verbal Reasoning Test)
w/c Monday 18th	Clubs commence for Years 1-6
Friday 22nd	11+ Testing at Bourne Westfield (Non Verbal Reasoning Test)
Tuesday 19th	Year 6 Aylmerton Residential visit meeting - 6:00pm
Thursday 21st	Year 4 - History Off The Page Egypt Day
Tuesday 26th	European Day of Languages
Thursday 28th	Harvest Festival
October	
Saturday 1st	Black History Month
Monday 2nd	Year 3 to College Woods Lincoln - 1½ classes
Tuesday 3rd	Year 3 to College Woods Lincoln - 1½ classes
Thursday 5th	EYFS Early Language & Phonics Evening for parents (5:30-6:15pm)
Thursday 5th	SEND Coffee Morning (9-10am)
Thursday 12th	Flu Vaccination (whole school)
Friday 13th	School Disco
w/c 16th	No school led clubs this week due to Parents' Evening
Tuesday 17th	Parents' Evening
Wednesday 18th	Parents' Evening
Friday 20th	End of Term 1
Monday 30th	Training Day - School Closed
Tuesday 31st	Term 2 Begins
November	
Wednesday 1st	Open Morning for Reception Starters in September 2024
Thursday 2nd	Open Morning for Reception Starters in September 2024
Thursday 2nd	Open Evening for Reception Starters in September 2024
Friday 10th	Neighbours Coffee Morning (10:15am)
Friday 10th	Armistice Day - KS2 Remembrance Assembly (children only)
Monday 13th	Individual Photographs
w/c Monday 13th	Anti-Bullying Week
Sunday 19th (to 25 th November)	Road Safety UK Week
Tuesday 28th	SEND Coffee Morning (9-10am)
December	
Monday 4th	Final Week for Swimming
Friday 8th	Year 6 Assembly - Bourne Baptist Church - 1:30pm (tbc)
Friday 8 th	Final day for school run clubs
Monday 11th	RB Reception Nativity - 2:30pm
Tuesday 12th	RW Reception Nativity - 2:30pm
Wednesday 13th	RP Reception Nativity - 2:30pm
Thursday 14th	Christmas Service - Y1 & Y2 followed by Y3 - Y5 (in school - children only)
Tuesday 19th	Christmas Sparkle Day / Christmas Party Day
Wednesday 20th	Carols Around the Tree (children only)
Wednesday 20th	End of Term 2