# 23 10.3.23 Westfield Weekly

Dear Parents

#### Wow! What a performance!

We are so proud of all the children from both Bourne Westfield Primary Academy and Thurlby Primary Academy, who came together to rehearse and perform Shakespeare's 'Romeo and Juliet' at the Key Theatre in Peterborough on Tuesday evening.

These children have worked together over the past three months, rehearsing every Monday after school and putting in additional work at home to learn their lines.

Their performance on Tuesday was an absolute credit to their commitment and teamwork during the whole process.

The staff from Shakespeare for Schools were absolutely wowed by their final piece and said that it was the best primary performance that they had ever seen. Well done team Shakespeare! We are looking forward to showcasing the play to the children in school.

# Sports report from Mrs Anderson

This week it was the turn of the Year 4 golf team to make Westfield proud! After lunchtime practices with a squad of 16 children, ten were chosen to go to the annual inter school golf tournament held this year at University College Holbeach.

All of the ten schools taking part compete in a 'round robin' of stations which all require different golf skills. The team were slightly nervous to begin with, but once they settled into the new environment they went from strength to strength and came home with  $2^{nd}$  place overall, narrowly missing gold by a mere 6 points. Well done to all the pupils and a massive thank you to Mr Game who has run the club at lunchtimes and accompanied the team on the day. Golf Club will continue to run at lunchtimes on a Wednesday for anyone who wants to come in Year 4.

# **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	Alby McDonagh	Lucas Gordon	Logan Crawley
Year 1	Daniel Peachey	Thea Collingwood	Becky Aurikko
Year 2	Harrison Pettit	Mia Pick	Christine Jackman
Year 3	Toby Lamin	Rhys Davies	Oliver Edwards
Year 4	Juliet Clarke	Sujay Pulaganti	Kira Marchenko
Year 5	Gracie-Mai Jones	Madeline Surtees	Freddie Bussey
Year 6	Edith Fraser	Aaron Gill	Liam Jacobs
	Thomas Lamin	Olivia King	

#### Attendance

Congratulations to the following classes who were winners for the week commencing 27th February:

Gold Trophy Ms Walker's Class (100%)

Silver Trophy Miss Livingstone's Class (99.33%)

Attendance Ted Mrs Woodcock's Class & Miss Hibbins' Class (99.33%)

Mrs Coles' Class (98%)

#### Class Photos

Unfortunately, due to a re-scheduled school trip, our class photographs have been postponed. We will advise the revised date, once this has been arranged with the school photographer.

# Terms 5/6 School Led Sports Clubs

We shall be sharing KS1 and KS2 school led sports clubs for Terms 5 and 6 via a Google form on Friday  $17^{th}$  March at 4.30pm. These clubs are extremely popular and heavily subscribed. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Club slips will be sent out via Parentmail in the week commencing  $27^{th}$  March for those children who have secured a place at their chosen club.

#### Comic Relief

We will be supporting Comic Relief on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March. On this day children may come to school dressed in something red in exchange for a £1 contribution to Comic Relief. Please keep an eye out for the Parentmail to pay your donation. If you are unable to make a donation, or wish to make a donation on behalf of your family rather than individual child, that is absolutely fine and your child can still come dressed in red.

#### Core Values

Please see below our core values - the children have been discussing how we embody these in our school. Ask your child what their thoughts are.



#### Parent Survey

Our recent parent survey highlighted that the school needs to communicate clearly how we are encouraging and rewarding good behaviour whilst tackling any incidents of negative behaviour. Last week, we introduced Trackit Lights - an online reward system The children have been really excited by the new system and love seeing their Westy points appear on the interactive screen.

It has been amazing to see how many points they've earnt this week! Trackit Lights also logs negative behaviour points so that the school can effectively monitor behaviours which don't follow the Westy Way.

Talk to your child about our recent assemblies on our Behaviour Contract, Trackit Lights and the Westy Way.

#### School Lunches

Our next Theme Day lunch will be our Easter Lunch on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023. The children will be able to have chicken nuggets, oven chips & spaghetti hoops/baked beans followed by jam bun cookies for dessert. The vegetarian option will be vegetable nuggets, oven chips & spaghetti hoops/baked beans. The deadline for ordering this lunch will be Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March.

# Year 2 trip to Delaine Bus Depot

On Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March, Year 2 will visiting the Delaine Bus Depot and museum as part of their History of Bourne topic. The children will be taking a short journey to and from the depot on a Delaine bus. As these are public buses they do not have seatbelts. If you are able to join us on the visit, please speak to your child's teacher. Children in 2CC and half of 2P will leave at 9.15am and return at 10.45am. Children in 2DC and the other half of 2P leave at 10.35am and return at 12 noon.

# Support for Parents

You may have noticed that the end of our bulletin looks a bit different this week. In order to signpost our school families to support that may be needed in challenging or difficult times, the school's Wellbeing Team have decided that the end of the bulletin will always contain contact details for 5 charities that could make a difference.

# Competition Time

We are excited to announce that we will be taking part in the 'If you were an Engineer what would you do?' Leaders Award competition this year and we are looking for engineers that are in any way linked to our school to help!

The competition will be challenging children from primary schools to identify a problem, design a creative solution to it and write a letter explaining why an engineer should choose to build it. As part of the competition, children are encouraged to speak with engineers to understand more about the problems they solve and how important their jobs are. Children will be given the opportunity to speak with an engineer in school but if you know anyone that could help, that would be greatly appreciated!

Every child that enters will have their idea read and graded by an engineer. All our pupils will receive certificates and shortlisted entries will be put forward to a panel where the best ideas will be celebrated at an awards event and public exhibition in the summer term. Whilst this is a national exhibition the awards and exhibitions are regional so you will be able to see the ideas from across the region. More can be found on the competition website <a href="www.leadersaward.com">www.leadersaward.com</a>. One extraordinary part of the competition is that every year university teams choose an idea from the Shortlisted entries to build! If your child would like to enter, the class teachers will be able to provide paper and letter templates. All entries need to be handed in to class teachers by Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March.

#### Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who supported our book fair - you have helped raise an amazing £475.00 in books for our school.

# Reminder - Year 1 Parent Assemblies

A courtesy reminder that Year 1 children will welcome parents to their class showcase assemblies, starting at 2:30pm, on the following days:

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March - Mrs Coles' Class Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March - Miss Ward's Class Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March - Miss Hibbins' Class We would ask that a maximum of 4 people attend per child. Assemblies will be approximately 20 minutes and are an opportunity for children to share the work they have been doing this year. Parents should enter school via the middle infant door only - at the front of the school - the gates will open at 2:20pm. We are very much looking forward to welcoming you for this special event.

Friends of Westfield - Follow us on Facebook - <a href="https://www.facebook.com/FriendsWestfieldBourne">https://www.facebook.com/FriendsWestfieldBourne</a> Mother's Day Sale - Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March - A chance for the children to treat the special someone in their life be that their Mum, Step Mum, Nan or other relative/carer. Children will be able to choose a special gift and card for £2. We have a range of gifts to choose from (stock dependent) so they'll be able to choose the most fitting one for their special someone. Please remember to send children in with their money on the day, in a named envelope, and they will be taken to choose their gift during the school day. If you have a child in Little Westys, there will be a basket of gifts & cards available with nursery staff all week, to hopefully cover all sessions and anyone who'd like to take part.

Family Prize Bingo - Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March 6pm for 6.30pm start. Join us in the school hall for five games of Easter prize bingo with your family. Organised with children in mind it'll be a slower pace than cash bingo and the aim of the night is for everyone to have fun! There will be refreshments and a raffle - please bring cash for these.

Book your tickets now via - https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/event/FOW-family-easter-bingo-2023

All children will be given an Easter egg to take home with them, so no family goes home empty handed. If your child cannot have Easter eggs for dietary reasons, please can you let the FOW team know by emailing friendsofwestfieldbourne@gmail.com and we will arrange an alternative gift. Thanks to Rosedale Property, Darling Princess Parties, Bowthorpe Park Farm, Cookie Box and Premier Education for supporting this event. Limited tickets available so book yours now!

# Bourne Westfield School Lottery

Congratulations to **Ms** Connell who were winners of the school lottery in the last two weeks. 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 <a href="https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk">www.yourschoollottery.co.uk</a>, search for Bourne Westfield and follow the on screen instructions.

# Atkinson's Announcements

#### **Parking**

It was really disappointing to see the number of cars parked on the yellow zig zag lines this week when our Reception children returned from their trip to the farm. The zig zag lines are there for road safety reasons - when parents park on the zig zag lines, it makes it very difficult for children and their families to cross the road safely. There are clear signs to alert parents not to park in these areas at designated times - please respect these signs for the safety of all.

#### Social Media Outside of School

I am increasingly concerned by the number of online incidents reported to the school which happen in the evening or on weekends. Most of these occur when children use apps such as WhatsApp, tik tok and Snapchat which are not meant to be accessed by primary aged pupils. We would ask that parents are vigilant in ensuring children do not have access to these apps as many of these incidents could be avoided.

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

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{Healthy Minds Lincolnshire} & $$https://www.lpft.nhs.uk/young-people/lincolnshire/young-people/i-need-more-help/healthy-minds-lincolnshire#\\ \end{tabular}$ 

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.

Family lives <a href="https://www.familylives.org.uk/">https://www.familylives.org.uk/</a> 0808 800 2222

Providing early intervention and crisis support to families.