Dear Parents

Sports Report from Mrs Anderson

Last week we had the first school games event of the new academic year with 17 Year 6 girls going to a pop Lacrosse Festival at Bourne Grammar School. This event is aimed at teaching them new skills and drills for a totally new activity, followed by friendly matches in the afternoon. The day was a huge success with the girls coming back keen to play more lacrosse. Last Friday, we had our first club at Westfield for all those involved - it was great to see them so keen and confident.

On Wednesday 1^{st} October, we took 40 pupils from KS2 to the annual School Games cross-country event, held at Spalding Grammar School. The weather wasn't particularly kind to us, but it didn't hold us back with our enthusiasm and determination which were rewarded with some incredible individual performances and great team results - winning the team event in the Year 3/4 boys', 5/6 girls' and 5/6 boys' races! The Year 3/4 girls came 2^{nd} overall missing 1^{st} by just 4 points!

We also had individual 1st places from Henry Dring (Year 3/4 boys) Artie Saunders (5/6 boys) and Mollie Winn (5/6 girls). With between 60 pupils in each event, all our runners can be very proud of themselves. The day, however, was about much more than just winning as some pupils were representing our school for the first time or taking part in their first running event. I was very proud of each child who gave everything on the day despite their nerves. They all supported one another cheering each other across the finish line; the level of teamwork, determination, passion and resilience was an absolute pleasure to watch. A huge thank you to our parent helpers who came along on the bus to support us, we really couldn't do big events like this without you, and thanks to Mrs Binns, Mrs Comben and Mrs Walker who gave first aid support and cheered very loudly at the finish line too!

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	Riley	Millie	Rafe		
Year 1	Ella	Savannah	Hazel		
Year 2	Travis	Brendan	Jasper		
Year 3	Amos	Dylan	Dawson		
Year 4	Henry	Jack	Ariah	Elliott	Kaedee-Lea
Year 5	Grace	Connie	Harry		
Year 6	Curtley	Jamie	Ava		

Amazing Achievements

Well done to the following:

Edward Gernert has passed Grade 1 Violin with distinction

Attendance

Congratulations to the following classes who were winners for the week commencing 22nd September.

Gold Trophy Miss Tropeano's Class & Mrs Johnson's Class (99.5%)

Silver Trophy Miss Murray's Class (97.9%)

Attendance Ted Mrs Chatham's Class (99.5%)

Mrs Bull's Class (99.1%)

World Mental Health Day - 10th October

On Friday 10^{th} October we will be supporting World Mental Health Day. Children can come to school in their school uniform and wear something yellow – this could be a yellow t-shirt with their skirt, trousers or pinafore, a yellow cardigan, yellow socks, a yellow headband.

Friends of Westfield - Follow us on Facebook - https://www.facebook.com/FriendsWestfieldBourne
It is almost time for our Halloween School Disco - make sure you have Friday 17th October marked on the family calendar! There are two discos - Years 1, 2 & 3 is from 4.30pm-5.30pm, Years 4, 5 & 6 is from 6:00pm-7:00pm. Entry is £3 per child which includes a drink and a bag of crisps. Glowsticks will be available for 20p each plus some Halloween themed goodies for 50p / £1. Extra drinks/crisps are 50p. Tickets will be available to order via MCAS early next week; this is to reduce cash handling and queues at the event. Look out for the announcement next week for full details and to order your tickets! Costumes are very welcome but dress as you please in whatever party clothes your child prefers.

Helpers are needed for these events - we'd be very grateful for anyone who can assist with refreshments, manning exits, selling glowsticks/goodies etc. If you can spare us some time please get in touch by email - friendsofwestfieldbourne@gmail.com, letting us know which disco you can help with and any children who will be arriving with you (name & class please). Please note that all children must be collected by an adult at the end of the event and no mobile phones are allowed. Thank you in advance for your support, these events can't go ahead without enough volunteers.

A reminder too that our 2025/26 planning meeting and AGM will be held on Wednesday 8th October at school from 6:00pm. The meeting is open to any parents/carers who'd like to find out more about Friends of Westfield and get involved in our fundraising work. We are really in need of more active committee members to keep the PTFA going. We'd love to see lots of new faces there!

Bourne Westfield School Lottery

Congratulations to Mrs Garfoot who was the winners 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.

Atkinson's Announcements

Toys at School

We have seen an increase since the beginning of term of children bringing in toys (including fiddle toys) from home. Please do not allow your children to bring in this type of item from home. If a child requires a fiddle type item in class, this will be provided by the school - thank you.

Important Information About the MCAS App and Notifications

If you didn't enable notifications when first installing the MCAS App, unfortunately this setting can't be changed later. To receive notifications, you'll need to delete the App and reinstall it, making sure to allow notifications during setup.

If you're accessing MCAS through the website rather than the App, please note that you won't receive any notifications. To stay updated, we strongly recommend downloading and installing the App and allow notifications to be set up.

Emails are only sent to those who do **not** have an MCAS account. To ensure you receive all communications, we encourage you to create an account and use the App.

For those already using the App, all messages and updates from the school will appear under the Announcements or Messages sections.

Lastly, if you update any personal details in your MCAS account—such as your address or phone number—please make sure you amend the details for all relevant family members - e.g. spouse/children etc. Please double check that the information held within your App is correct and that you have completed all of the relevant parental consents for all children.

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

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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 https://www.familylives.org.uk/ 0808 800 2222 Providing early intervention and crisis support to families.