



Dear Parents

Remembrance Day



We gathered together in the hall this morning to mark Remembrance Day and were delighted to welcome some of our neighbours to this special assembly. The children showed great respect as they learnt about Remembrance Day and the origins of the poppy. The school observed the 2-minute silence at 11:00am to remember those who gave their lives and listened to thoughtful poems written by Year 2 and Year 6 children.

Sports Report from Mrs Anderson

This week it was the year 4 boys who had the opportunity to represent our school at the Southeast Lincolnshire School Games football tournament held in Holbeach. We took two teams, both of which won and lost some games during the day. The spirit in which they conducted themselves was tremendous; they didn't ever lose faith and worked extremely hard to improve their performances as the day progressed. Westfield Blue's were in the 3rd medal playoff match against Thurlby having come 2nd in the group stages and walked away with 3rd place after a very close match. Our Green team came 9th after a very convincing win over Holbeach; it was a great way to end a super day of football. The children were in such high spirits; it was as if they had won the world cup, which made me very proud. Demonstrating such a positive attitude and having fun with your friends is what it's all about! A huge thank you to Mr Game and Mr Anderson who supported this event.

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	Mabel Saunders	Isabelle Clark	Faye Bishop	
Year 1	Beatrix Bradford	Rio Bowling	Eric Vasilache	
Year 2	Tarquin Daines	Alfie Shaw	Lottie Baker-Davies	
Year 3	Harrison Pettit	Adaline Lipscomb	Arthur Conway	
Year 4	Olivia Rose Moore	Elija Dautartaite	Ayman Moin	
Year 5	Matthew Peachey	Cameron Bamber	Rocco Sanders	
Year 6	Harry Taylor	Bella Watson	Alfie Barnes	Hollie Hempstead

Attendance

Congratulations to the following classes who were winners for the week commencing 30th October.

Gold Trophy	Miss Sawyer's Class, Mrs Knott's Class & Mrs Johnson's Class (100%)
Silver Trophy	Miss Tropeano's Class (99.58%)
Attendance Ted	Mrs Bull's Class (100%)
	Mrs Chatham's Class (99.17%)

Reception Places - September 2024

The application process to apply for Reception places for 2024-25 will open on 15th November. This applies to all children who were born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020. Please use the following link to make your application - [Apply for a School Place](#). The deadline for making your application is 12 noon on 15th January 2024. Places will be offered to parents on 16th April 2024.

Individual School Photographs

The photographer will visit school on Monday 13th November to take individual photographs of children. Sibling photographs for children from **Reception to Year 6** (not Little Westy's) will be taken automatically during the course of the school day. If you would like to bring any younger children (**including those that attend Bourne Westfield Nursery**) to be photographed with their elder brothers and sisters, please come along to the main hall from 8.15am; the photographer will start as soon as possible. Please enter via the gate by the Nursery. **Please ensure your child wears their school tie if they wear a shirt that buttons to the neck and that long hair is tied up in line with our school policy - thank you.**

Reception children should come to school in school uniform rather than in their PE kit on Monday. Could children in **Year 2** that have PE on a Monday, please come to school in uniform and bring their outdoor PE kit in a bag to change in to.

Children in Need - Friday 17th November

Children in Need is next week on Friday 17th November. We would ask that children wear school uniform but can add a 'spotty accessory or wear spotty socks/tights'. If you are able to, please make a donation of £1, via Parentmail direct to Children in Need. This worked really well this year as it saved parents having to find loose change.

Diwali

On Tuesday next week Mrs Chabria will be leading an assembly about Diwali. Staff with traditional dress, such as saris, will be wearing them on Tuesday. Any children wishing to wear traditional dress for Diwali are invited to do so. All other children should be in uniform please.

Opal News

Tree planting

We are very excited to have received a large quantity of saplings from the Woodland Trust this week. The children are very keen to get them planted around our school site; however, we are in desperate need of some short canes and tree guards/spirals to protect them. If anyone has any that we could use, we would be very grateful. Or, do you have any contacts at local garden centres who may be able to help us? Please let us know as we would love to get this project started!

Wet/Muddy Weather

We are on the lookout for any waterproof clothing please - our site is becoming increasingly wet and muddy, and we would very much appreciate any donations of old waterproof trousers, puddle suits or coats. Please don't worry about the condition of these items as they are simply to protect the children's clothes and we would be very grateful for any donations. With this in mind, if you know your child is one that is automatically drawn to these messy play activities, it would be great if you could send them into school with some spare clothes or their own set of waterproofs please.

Children's Choice - Fidget Toys

Our children have been busy thinking of ideas for new Opal areas, and they have voted overwhelmingly for a Fidget Area outside. Therefore, please would you consider donating any fidget toys that your children no longer use. Thank you for your continued support.

Oracy Challenge

Today in school we remembered those who have fought in conflicts. We wear a poppy as a symbol of remembrance. Can you talk with your adults at home about other ways that we could represent our remembrance of those who have shown such bravery? Placed round our town, there are several soldiers images - these are painted black. See how many that you can spot.

Friends of Westfield - Follow us on Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/FriendsWestfieldBourne>
Christmas cards & gifts... Deadline for all orders is Monday 13th November 2023. We can see lots of you have already placed orders and are very grateful for your support. If you haven't yet, your unique order form (sent home last week in book bags) has personalised details and instructions on how you can view, approve and order your Christmas cards and gifts online. Simply visit <http://approve.myfundraisinghub.com/> enter the codes on your unique order form, confirm your child's details, then you can place your order. For every pack of cards, gift tags, tea towels, bags, coasters, teddy bears or other gift product you purchase you will be supporting the Friends of Westfield fundraising efforts. We will receive a commission for every product sold - so go on - spread a little Christmas cheer and order today!

Wacky Hair & Hats Day - THANK YOU for your amazing support, what a fun day with some super fun designs of wacky hair & some brilliant funny hats! At the last count we have 640 items of chocolate for the chocolate tombola at the Christmas Fair - it is going to be a very big and very busy stall!

Christmas Fair - Friday 1st December - The fun will run from 3.30pm-5.30pm. We have lots of great plans coming together including a candy cane trail, festive fun games for the children & grown-ups, crafts, chocolate tombola, raffle, reindeer food making, lucky dip, refreshments and lots more. Full details to follow next week, look out for the posters and Parentmail...

Can you help? We are currently trying to source a free-standing festive photo board, the kind with face holes so you look like a funny character. Plus, a couple of large inflatable Christmas decorations to make the school more festive and add some photo opportunities for the children. We only need them for the day. Can you help loan us anything? If so, please get in touch - friendsofwestfieldbourne@gmail.com

Bourne Westfield School Lottery

Congratulations to Mr Cobbold 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.

Atkinson's Announcements

It was lovely to welcome prospective parents (and children) to the school last week. I was incredibly proud of all the children during the open mornings. A special mention must go to our phenomenal Year 6 children who took on the role of tour guides. All the visitors sang the children's praises.



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.

Family lives <https://www.familylives.org.uk/> 0808 800 2222

Providing early intervention and crisis support to families.