



Newsletter



Summer Term 2026 - No.12 - Friday 10th July 2026

Upcoming Events	
17th July	10:00am - Year 2 Leavers Assembly (details to follow)
17th July	3:30pm - 4:45pm WISPA Year 2 Leavers Party (details emailed)
22nd July	3:15pm End of term
23rd July - 31st August Summer Holidays	
23rd July - 26th Aug ACE Kids Summer Holiday Club	
1st Sept - Inset Day	
2nd Sept	8:45am KS1 Start of Autumn Term
<u>2nd Sept - 4th Sept</u>	Year R Home Visits
<u>7th & 8th Sept</u>	Year R Classroom Sessions

Term Dates 2026 - 2027	
AUTUMN TERM	
<i>Inset Days: 1st September</i>	
Start of Autumn Term: 2 nd September	
<i>Inset Day: 23rd October</i>	
Half Term: 26 th October – 30 th October	
<i>Inset Day: 2nd November</i>	
End of Autumn Term: 18 th December	
SPRING TERM	
<i>Inset Day: 4th January</i>	
Start of Spring Term: 5 th January	
Half Term: 15 th February – 19 th February	
End of Spring Term: 25 th March	
SUMMER TERM	
Start of Summer Term: 12 th April	
<i>Inset Day: 28th May</i>	
Half Term: 31 st May – 4 th June	
End of Summer Term: 21 st July	

Dear Parents,

Happy Friday! I cannot believe that there are only eight school days left of this academic year although I for one think it has been a very exciting one! Amongst all of our usual engaging curriculum coverage (further details overleaf!), we are also continuing to enjoy various transition activities and end of term preparations in rather warm temperatures!

Another highlight that I must share from this week is that our amazing **School Councillors** had a wonderful time acting as judges at the WJS Poetry Slam which took place on Tuesday Afternoon. It was such a privilege to take our 12 'super-keen' councillors over to the Juniors to watch each of our Key Stage 2 classes perform a poem with props, costumes and even audience participation! The councillors then gave star ratings to each performance and Mrs Long (WJS, Reading Co-ordinator and AHT) then collated the scores with the junior councillors to then announce a winner. Feedback from the councillors was very positive (they felt very important!) and we all enjoyed a fun-filled inspirational experience!

In governor news, on Thursday morning this week we held our **Assessment and Progress Committee Meeting** where we shared our analysis of end of year data with our governors. At our school this includes our EYFS attainment, Year 1 and Year 2 attainment in reading, writing and maths and of course the Phonics Screening results. Mrs Wilson, as always gave a detailed analysis of all our pupil's anonymised data. We are pleased to share that our strategic priorities and curriculum developments are having a positive impact on our children's attainment on an individual and group basis. As always, the whole staff team (with the support of you as parents) are all working tirelessly to enable our pupils to achieve their potential whilst importantly maintaining a broad and rich curriculum full of exciting extended opportunities.

Next week is destined to be a very busy one. Classrooms will be bustling with learning to complete final units of work alongside more transition activities. We are welcoming back some ex-pupils for their work experience in two of our classes and Yateley Library will be presenting an assembly regarding their **Summer Reading Challenge**. In addition to this, we will share our Year 2 Leavers' Assembly (we trust all of our Year 2 Parents received their invitations!) and of course the Year 2 WISPA Leavers' Party - I feel exhausted just listing it...

But before all of that, I am certainly looking forward to seeing many of you soon at our **Summer Fair** (5.00pm - 7.00pm this evening!) the WISPA Team has once again put in an epic effort to prepare what we hope will be a fun and entertaining early evening of fundraising. If you are able to join us (which we sincerely hope will be the case!), please do not forget to bring your tokens (these can also be purchased at the fair) and spare change to help support this fantastic community event.

Have a great weekend - be sure to stay safe in the sunshine!

Kind regards,

Miss Jo Redman, Executive Headteacher

A few reminders...

- Please remember that our **Summer Term Clubs** have finished with the exception of Year R WeeKicks Football on Wednesday and Girls Football on Thursday and ACE Kids which runs until the end of term.
- If you are looking for some **summer holiday childcare** provision, please be aware that ACE Kids will be hosting a themed holiday club at our school - to take advantage of 10% off please enter: EWiHols10, when booking.
- Please ensure your child is fully prepared for **sunny days** - suncream (applied before school), water bottle, cap or sun hat.



What have we been learning?



Year R

Year R has been a 'summery buzz' with lots of fun-filled activities in our outside area - especially our favourite...water play! We have been filling and pouring, splashing and fishing for lots of underwater animals as part of our current learning. A highlight was definitely putting our scientific and construction skills to the test by creating boats from tin foil and testing which boat could hold the most weight in a fun water experiment.

In addition to this, our Judo taster sessions were an absolute favourite across all three classes as we had such a wonderful time learning how to safely roll over our teammate and played some Judo games. Thank you Mr Fricker for the brilliant opportunity!



Miss Phillimore, Year R Class Teacher



Year 1

This week we have enjoyed a very seasonally appropriate story called Clem and Crab. After sharing the book, we started by focusing on Clem's feelings throughout the story and then moved on to thinking of adjectives to describe the beautiful beach scene - we were all very impressed by the children's range of adjectives! In Maths, we have been recapping some very important knowledge including the order of the days of the week and months of the year (and remembering they all need capital letters!) Towards the end of the week, we then recapped our knowledge of time including o'clock and half past. Finally, in Art the children have made yet another wonderful piece of art inspired by Nancy Wolf and Orla Kiely and then have enjoyed walking around the room looking at each other's creations.



Miss Webster, Year 1 Class Teacher



Year 2

It has been another busy week for Year 2 with more transition visits and activities as well as the completion of a few projects! The week also excitingly started with curling sessions (see details below) and then on Friday the children once again visited the WJS school playground and explored lots of new and exciting things to do at playtimes with their new buddies who will be in Year 5 in September. The children have also spent time rehearsing their Leavers' Performance which they cannot wait to perform next Friday. In between all of this, they have been continuing to learn how to program characters and create short sequences on the iPads using Scratch software and there has even been some sewing of their own original pencil cases!



Mrs Fennell, Year 2 Team Leader and Class Teacher

Year R Judo Taster Sessions

Ahead of being able to join in at Judo Club in September, Mr Fricker, the judo teacher, hosted practical sessions with each of our Reception Classes to give the children an idea of this exciting sport which many of the children may not have experienced before.



Just as last week with Year 1 and 2, each class was introduced to important safety rules. Then Mr Fricker shared some new Japanese words, followed by some judo moves, games and skills. Everyone had so much fun and shared that they enjoyed their session. We feel that we are so fortunate to be able to offer your children these extended curriculum opportunities and hope that lots of our pupils will be inspired to join the early morning club from September, who knows we could have a future judo champion at Westfields?!



Booking links for September 2026

[Wednesday Session](#) (new starters to Judo)

[Friday Session](#) (new starters and current members)

[To join the waiting list](#)



Curling without the ice comes to Year 2!



On Monday afternoon, our Year 2 children were introduced to the sport of curling through sessions organised by the WJS Team Captains. The Team Captains played an integral role in leading and supporting the activities, helping to deliver engaging and purposeful sessions for all pupils in each of our classes. All of the children had the opportunity to have a go, learn the basic skills of the game and take part in a series of friendly activities.



As expected, the children showed great enthusiasm throughout the afternoon and thoroughly enjoyed experiencing this new sport. It was wonderful to see them demonstrating teamwork, concentration and excellent sportsmanship while taking part. The event was a great success and enjoyed by all involved. Thank

you to WJS Team Captains, you were super instructors!

Mrs Anderson, PE Co-ordinator and Year 2 Class Teacher



LET'S CELEBRATE...

As we find ourselves at the end of another successful week, the children have continued to demonstrate a range of learning skills in their lessons. During this afternoon's Celebration Assembly, our Learning Superstars were once again awarded certificates in recognition of their outstanding learning behaviours. Copies of the certificates are on display in the entrance area. This week's proud award winners are:

Year R: Callum Godinho, Oscar Wallace and Louis Robinson

Year 1: Robbie Millard, Thomas Lewis and Sienna Shrieve

Year 2: Roman Cole, Sebastian Hawkes and Arla Brown

We were once again excited to announce this week's year group **Numbot Champions** who have been working so hard to develop their number fluency. Congratulations to...

Year R: Oscar Spender

Year 1: Lucy Haines

Year 2: Lucy French

Out of School Achievements

Please remember that we love to take the opportunity to celebrate out of school achievements of all our pupils so please do pop any details of any success at out of school clubs or groups.



WISPA NEWS...


Last call for the WIS Summer Fair!


We trust you all received your fabulous programmes yesterday, detailing the impressive array of stalls, entertainment and refreshments that will be available later today. We hope to welcome record numbers to support the event but as previously mentioned, many hands make light work. So if you are able to volunteer to help for a half an hour slot (or longer?!), please get in touch with the Committee as soon as possible, or let Rachel Moloney know when you arrive so she can allocate you a job - all help is GREATLY appreciated!. We are all looking forward to a fun-filled event!



Attendance Awards


This week's attendance winners are...

Robin Class, 

Hedgehog Class, 

Badger Class, 

Rabbit 

Class and Fox Class with 99%. 

Well done to you all!