

Newsletter



Autumn Term 2025 - No.2 - Friday 12th September 2025

 Upcoming Events	
W/c 15th Sept	First week of clubs
15th Sept	2:30pm - Year 1 Meet the Teacher Parent Meeting
16th Sept	2:30pm - Year 2 Meet the Teacher Parent Meeting
17th Sept	2:30pm - Year R Meet the Teacher Parent Meeting
17th Sept	7:15pm - 8:15pm WISPA Welcome Meeting
18th Sept	8:30am - 9:00am School Nursing Team Federation Drop-in at WIS
18th Sept	9.00am - 12noon School Nursing Team WIS 1:1 Appointments (pre-booked available to all via Mrs Kirby FSW)
23rd Sept	9:30am - 10:30am Prospective Parent Session
23rd Sept	2:30pm - 3:15pm Federation Parent Forum at WJS
24th Sept	8:45am - 9:30am Federation Parent Forum at WIS
<u>25th Sept</u>	Individual School Photos
<u>25th Sept</u>	3:15pm - WISPA Year 2 Cake Sale
<u>1st Oct</u>	9:30am - 10:30am Prospective Parent Session

Dear Parents,

How are we already at the end of the **first full week** of this academic year? It has certainly been an exciting and busy one! Of course, following home and classroom visits, it has been a delight to welcome all of our new **Reception cohort!** What an absolutely wonderful start Fox, Squirrel and Hedgehog Class have all made by getting to know their new teachers, classrooms, friends and routines in the vibrant world of Westfields. We have all been very impressed and are looking forward to sharing their learning journey with them.

A now established event on the Westfields' Calendar, this week, to promote the importance of reading and sharing books, Year 1 and 2 pupils have all enjoyed a number of themed activities as part of our **Reading Matters Week**. Overleaf are a few more details but it has been a fantastic world travel inspired week to promote reading as an enjoyable (and essential!) life skill. The children have thoroughly enjoyed completing an array of reading tasks with a highlight being the **Big Federation Read** this morning.

In relation to our **Autumn term club provision**, I am once again so proud of the breadth of our offer and indeed the popularity and response to booking places. Mrs Green has been working hard to confirm registers and has informed me that there are spaces still available for: Book/Reading Club, Year 2 WeeKicks Football Club, Singing Club, Board Games Club, Girls Football Club and Street Dance. As ever, I truly hope these will be filled to maximise these opportunities for as many pupils as possible so please do follow the link if you wish your child to participate and we shall all look forward to sharing lots of fun.

Beyond the classrooms and school day, on Wednesday evening this week we held our first **Full Governing Body Meeting** of the year led by our Chair, Mrs Leigh-ann Ogbourne. The governors confirmed details and arrangements for the academic year ahead, committee membership and role responsibilities. Additionally they ratified key policies including Safeguarding and Child Protection as well as approved our WIS Off-site Calendar 2025-26.

Next week we are looking forward to welcoming parents to our **Meet the Teacher** sessions. For anyone who is not aware, during these sessions, year group staff teams will share a few key details about routines, plans for the year ahead as well as ways in which we can work in partnership to promote best outcomes for all of our children. Whilst of course we all hope we will be joined by record numbers, we will also be sure to share the slideshows on the school website for any parents who are unable to join us and as ever our open door policy encourages lines of communication between home and school on a daily basis.

And finally – although it may seem incredibly early – we are already preparing to welcome **next year's Reception cohort**. If you, or anyone you know, has a child starting school in **September 2026**, we would love for you/them to come along to one of our upcoming **school tours** which will be taking place over the coming weeks.

Have a wonderful weekend, see you on Monday!

Kind regards,



Miss Jo Redman
Executive Headteacher

Prospective Parent Sessions for September 2026 School Starters

We are delighted to invite you to join us at Westfields Infant School on the following dates for prospective parent sessions for children who are due to start school in September 2026. To support organisation, booking is required for these sessions.

OPEN MORNINGS 9:30am – 10:30am

23rd September 2025
1st October 2025
8th October 2025
16th October 2025
20th November 2025

OPEN EVENING 6:30pm – 7:30pm (adults only)

12th November 2025

To book your place on a school tour, please call the school on 01252 873603 or email us at infants@westfieldsfederation.org.uk

We look forward to meeting you soon. Please feel free to contact us should you require any further information.

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A few reminders...

- Please remember that our **Autumn Term Clubs** start from Monday next week.
- If you have made alternative collection arrangements for your child please call the School Office during the school day (as early as possible!) to advise of the new arrangements.

What have we been learning?



WISPA NEWS

We hope you all received our fabulous flyer and letter for our reduced rate Legoland tickets and that there will be lots of Westfielders enjoying this family event.



Furthermore, we also wish to invite EVERYONE to our first gathering of this year...



We are looking forward to seeing you!



Year R

Year R has been a hive of activity this week as the children experienced their very first couple of days at school. We have had a wonderful time already and started by being introduced to our Golden Rules, making new friends and diving into Westfields life! One of the highlights has been a trip to our school library where the children read a book to friends and relaxed in cosy reading corners. Our new pupils have also thoroughly enjoyed exploring our outdoor learning environment, getting hands-on and curious as they begin their learning journey. What an amazing start to the year, well done, Year R!

Miss Ridley, Year R Class Teacher







Year 1

Our first full week in Year 1 has been very busy and we have shared so much learning already. We have enjoyed reading The Gruffalo and then sequencing the pictures from each part of the story. We have also expressed our creative sides by painting our own Gruffalos - it is clear there are some very talented artists in Year 1; everyone looked so closely to include all of the different parts of the Gruffalo's body on their painting. In our Maths lessons, we have been working on our number fluency by counting forwards and backwards from 30 and finding one more than any given number.




Miss Brammer, Year 1 Team Leader and Class Teacher

Year 2

Our Year 2 children have had a fantastic start to the year! In our very first full week, they became detectives... on Tuesday morning, we arrived at school to discover large footprints in all three classrooms! The children had to investigate what might have visited. We have explored some great theories from aliens to monsters and they have been busy searching for clues about the creature's feet and colour as well as how it moves, and most importantly... whether it's friendly!? We even created drawings of what we imagine the creature to look like. To help with our investigation, we read the story, Where the Wild Things Are and wondered if one of those creatures might have paid us a visit.... In our Maths lessons, we have been sharing our place value knowledge and looking at patterns in the number system. We have practised counting in 10s and rounding 2-digit numbers to the nearest multiple of 10. It has certainly been an exciting start to Year 2!

Mrs Anderson, Year 2 Class Teacher


Reading Matters Week 2025!

What a fantastic time celebrating reading we have had! Throughout this week the children have been completing travel-themed reading activities linked to their class text to celebrate our love of reading and have achieved many virtual passport stamps!

In Year 1 Rabbit and Mole class went on an adventure with 'Zog' by Julia Donaldson and Badger class explored 'The Squirrels who Squabbled' by Rachel Bright. In Year 2 Owl class travelled through 'Leaf' by Sandra Dieckmann, Woodpecker class dived into 'Jack's Secret World' by Jack Ryder and Robin class flew through 'The Night Dragon' by Naomi Howarth.

We have created stamps to represent the story settings, made passports for characters in the story and created story maps predicting what might happen next in our books. A lot of fun has been had and we look forward to displaying some of the children's fantastic first-class standard of work around our school. Each class has also had a 'Team Challenge' where each class chose a travel destination and took a photo of them reading at that destination. The photos are below for you all to see, can you guess their destinations?

Finally, today we had our Big Federation Read, which was a huge success and the children loved sharing their stories with their buddies from Westfields Junior School. It has been a successful week and we are all so delighted that our children have developed their reading skills and shown they really are wonderful reading explorers - what a super start to the new learning year!

Miss Redmond, Assistant Headteacher and Reading Co-ordinator



LET'S CELEBRATE...

We have all enjoyed a successful first full week of the academic year (including our super new Reception cohort!) in terms of our learning. For the first time this academic year, our Learning Superstars were presented with certificates in our Celebration Assembly (and in their new classes for Fox, Hedgehog and Squirrel classes) for showing various exceptional learning behaviours (copies are on display in the entrance area). This week's proud award winners are:

Year R: Callum Godinho, Jacob Wilde and Jace Ofori

Year 1: Phoenix Sagoo, Isaac Awaan and Ella Knights

Year 2: Alice Al-Dabagh, Lennie Taylor and Connor Butterworth

Congratulations to you all, what an amazing start to the new school year!

Out of School Achievements

What a wonderful start to celebrating out of school achievements of our pupils this week, we are delighted to share the following news...

Well done to **all of our super readers** who completed **Yateley Library's Story Garden Summer Reading Challenge**. Congratulations to **Jacob Hepburn** who has passed his Stage 1 Swimming Badge and Certificate.



Attendance Awards

This week our attendance



winners are... **Fox Class,**

Squirrel Class and Robin Class



... all with 100%.

Well done, perfect scores!