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## NEWSLETTER 9 - 15<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2023



### CHILDREN IN NEED

Please remember children can come to school tomorrow wearing dots and spots. Please make a £1 donation on School Spider or in cash (there will be tubs in the classrooms)



# CHRISTMAS FAIR WEDNESDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 3.10PM – 4.30PM

Please come along to our Christmas Fair where there will be lots of fun games and activities including a chocolate tombola and cake stall. There will be a variety of Christmas Craft kits to buy.



**To book a place for Santa's Grotto please send £5 in an envelope with your child's name on.**

**Places are limited!**



Raffle tickets are now on sale. You can pay for them on School Spider or by sending cash in a named envelope. There are some fantastic prizes including a drinks hamper, knitted santa, sweets and games.

Tickets will be sent home with your child and winners will be drawn at the Christmas Fair.

We are now accepting donations of chocolate, toys, bottles, smellies and any other items suitable for a general tombola.



## ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



**Headteacher Tea Party 10/11/2023**



**Rocket Awards 13/11/2023**



**Handwriting Stars 13/11/2023**



**Reading Stars 13/11/2023**

Congratulations to the children who went to the Headteacher's Tea Party on Friday and those who received awards in assembly on Monday.

More photographs are available on the website

<https://www.westfieldinfants.co.uk/page/achievements/63794>

## CELEBRATING OUR DIFFERENCES ON ODD SOCK DAY



The children started Antibullying week wearing odd socks and celebrating their differences.

## **NORTHERN DREAMING STORYTIME**

Northern Dreaming is a collection of poetry and stories for for young children. There will be a storytelling performance in school for Nursery and Reception children on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November.

For more information about Northern Dreaming you can visit their website.

<https://leeds2023.co.uk/northern-dreaming>

## **MATERNITY COVER IN RECEPTION**

As you are aware Miss Holmes and Miss Worton will be going on maternity leave this academic year. We have appointed staff to cover them. Miss Dales will be taking over from Miss Worton in January and Miss Sedman will be taking over from Miss Holmes in February.

Both teachers will spend time with the children before they start and we will ensure a comprehensive handover between the teachers.

If you have any queries, please see Ms Lowry.

## **WINTER COAT APPEAL**

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the Winter Coat Appeal so far. We have taken 35 coats to the drop off point in Yeadon. These will be distributed to hubs across the city where they are most needed. We are accepting donations up to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024.



## **REMINDERS**

### **CHILDREN STARTING NURSERY, RECEPTION & YEAR 3 IN SEPTEMBER 2024**

The remaining Open Days for children due to start Nursery or Reception in September 2024 will be on the following days:-

- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023: Tours at 9.30am and 10am
- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024: Tours at 9.30am and 10am

To book a tour please complete the form at this link: <https://forms.office.com/e/Edz4C3aiNg>.

**If your child is currently in Year 2 and you would like to look around Yeadon Westfield Junior School they will be open at the same times. Please contact them on 0113 2503395 for more details.**

Applications for Reception and Year 3 places open on 1 November 2023. The deadline to apply is 15 January 2024. Please remember that although your child is guaranteed a place at Yeadon Westfield Junior School, you still have to submit an application. There is more information about how to apply on Leeds City Council website <https://www.leeds.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/apply-for-a-primary-school>.

# GOVERNOR NEWS

## GOVERNOR PROFILE – LISA ROLLETT



My name is Lisa Rollett and I became one of school's governors in 2019. I have two children who both attended this school.

I have worked as a secondary school science teacher since 2004. Having been in or involved in education for most of my life I think it is fair to say that I am passionate that children are given the best possible introduction to learning throughout their early years – this is my main reason for wanting to become a governor.

Outside of work, I enjoy being outdoors - walking and enjoying nature. I am an avid reader and I enjoy visiting different countries.

I am very much looking forward to continuing to work with the school's staff, along with the rest of the board of governors, to help each and every pupil thrive as they embark on their first exciting education journey.

## USEFUL WEBSITE LINKS

Keep up to date with school news and blogs by downloading the School Spider parents app and selecting Yeadon Westfield Infant School. To receive instant messages and use the payment facility you will need to log in.



### SECOND HAND UNIFORM AND THE WESTFIELD PANTRY

Parents and carers at Westfield Infants have access to our stock of second hand uniform and food parcels from The Westfield Pantry. To find out more information, please follow the links below:-

- [The Westfield Pantry](#)
- [Second Hand Uniform](#)

### PUPIL PREMIUM AND FREE SCHOOL MEALS

If you're on benefits and your child is entitled to universal infant free school meals anyway or brings a packed lunch, it's still important to register for a free school meal to ensure school doesn't miss out on funding called pupil premium. Find out more information on our [school website](#).

### EASY FUNDRAISING

Please support Yeadon Westfield Infant School at [Easy Fundraising](#) when doing your everyday shopping.



## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

<b>DAY</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>EVENT</b>
Thursday	16/11/2023	All day	Children in Need – children to come to school wearing dots and spots – donation £1
Thursday	16/11/2023	All Day	Flu Vaccinations for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children who have consent
<b>Friday</b>	<b>17/11/2023</b>	<b>All day</b>	<b>Training Day – School Closed to pupils</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>20/11/2023</b>	<b>All day</b>	<b>Training Day – Nursery and Reception classes closed. Year 1 and 2 children to attend as normal</b>
Tuesday	21/11/2023	1.30pm-2.30pm	Northern Dreaming Storytime Tour for Reception and Nursery (in school)
Wednesday	29/11/2023	8.50am-10.00am	Chat and Play - for parents and carers with pre school age children. (Date change)
Wednesday	29/11/2023	3.10pm-4.30pm	Christmas Fair
Monday	04/12/2023	12.00pm-3.10pm	Year 1 and 2 Visit to Leeds Playhouse to see The Enormous Crocodile.
Tuesday	05/12/2023	9.30am-10.30am	Open Day for children starting Reception in September.
Tuesday	05/12/2023	9.30am-10.30am	Open Day at the Junior School for parents of Year 2 children moving there in September.
Tuesday	05/12/2023	2.00pm-2.50pm	Codwollop Theatre Group Christmas performance for Nursery and Reception (in school)
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>06/12/2023</b>	<b>All day</b>	<b>Santa Dash – more details to follow</b>
Monday	11/12/2023	8.50am-10.00am	Chat and Play - for parents and carers with pre school age children. (Date change)
Tuesday	12/12/2023	8.50am-10.00am	Year 1 and 2 Christmas Performance – more details to follow
Wednesday	13/12/2023	8.50am-10.00am	Year 1 and 2 Christmas Performance – more details to follow
Thursday	14/12/2023	12.00pm	Christmas Dinner
Tuesday	19/12/2023	8.50am-9.30am	Reception Christmas Performance – more details to follow
Wednesday	20/12/2023	8.50am-10.00am	Chat and Play - for parents and carers with pre school age children.
Wednesday	20/12/2023	11.30am-12.00pm & 2.40pm-3.10pm	Nursery Christmas Sing a-long
Thursday	21/12/2023	9.00am-10.30am	Whole School visit to St John's Church – more details to follow
Thursday	21/12/2023	PM	Christmas Discos – more details to follow
<b>Friday</b>	<b>22/12/2023</b>	<b>3.10pm</b>	<b>School closes for the Christmas Holiday</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>08/01/2024</b>	<b>8.40am</b>	<b>School opens for the Spring Term</b>

## **COMMUNICATIONS SINCE LAST NEWSLETTER**

<b>EMAILS:</b>	09/11/2023 – Bag 2 School 10/11/2023 – Strep A Information 13/11/2023 – Reading Books (Year 1)
<b>SENT HOME VIA CLASS:</b>	Colouring Competition – (coming home tonight)
<b>COLLECTING:</b>	Batteries for recycling
<b>WEBSITE UPDATES:</b>	<a href="#">Achievements</a> ,

## **STARS BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB NEWS**

At STARS this week the children have been making their own Pudsey Bear puppets and pictures using split pins and cutting skills.

STARS Before and After School Club is open to children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 & 2 and siblings at the Junior school. To find out more information about opening times and prices, please visit the [STARS page](#) on our website.



## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

Guiseley Primary School and St Oswalds C of E Primary School are consulting on reducing their Pupil Admission Number (PAN). Consultation documents can be found on their websites at the links below.

<https://www.guiseleyprimary.org/school-information/admissions>

<https://stoswaldsleeds.org/key-info/pan-reduction/>