

Bumblebees and Butterflies

CLASS NEWS

Autumn term – 2026

Welcome to Reception

We are very excited that your children are starting at Westfield Primary School. This term they will spend time settling into their new classes and getting to know the class rules and routines. We want to make this a very positive experience for both children and parents so if you have any concerns please do not hesitate to phone or email us and we will do our very best to help you.

This half term's topic is **Let's Get to Know Each Other**. We will be hearing a variety of stories such as 'The Colour Monster' and 'You Choose' and learning more about ourselves and the people who help us. It is an exciting topic-for more information please look at the topic web that has come home with your child.

After half term our topic is **Zoom, Zoom!** We will be looking at different types of transport, including vehicles from the past and present, and different places we can travel to using these different forms of transport.

Tea and Tissues

You are warmly invited to join us in the hall on Friday 12th September straight after dropping your child off at school for our annual Tea and Tissues event. You will have the opportunity to meet other parents from the Reception classes and enjoy some refreshments and a chat together.

PE

Each class has a weekly PE lesson. Bumblebees and Butterflies class both have a lesson every Monday and outdoor learning every Friday. Please ensure your child wears their PE kits to school on these days (mufti with trainers on a Friday) and all earrings are removed from pierced ears before school.

Reading

Once the children begin to learn letters and corresponding sounds through our Read, Write Inc. phonics programme, they can start



DATES FOR THIS TERM:

7th – 9th September School visits.

10th- 14th September Children in group sessions.

15-16th September All children in for the morning only and stay for lunch – pick up 1:10pm

17th September All children go full time. Tea and Tissues.

22nd September Phonics workshop 2:30pm

8th October Book Look 2:30pm

9th October – wear yellow for mental health day

13th and 15th October parents evening

16th October Infant Harvest assembly 11am

19th -30th October
Half Term

12th November – Open evening 5-6.30pm

13th November – wear spots to raise money for Children in Need

25th November Christmas Fair 2.45-4.30pm

27th Nov, 4th, 11th, 18th December – Christmas jumper days

9th December Reception Christmas assembly 10am

17th December – Christmas meal – pupils may wear a Christmas jumper over their uniform

18th December Term ends 1.20pm

their phonics pack. The phonics pack can stay at home and we would ask if you could kindly practise the new sound that your child learns at home each day. Please help your child to recognise each sound, say it correctly and form it correctly using a good pencil grip. We will be happy to support you with this.

Alongside this class newsletter and the topic web, you will also receive a knowledge organiser with details of some of the key words and concepts that your children will be exposed to this term. This gives you the opportunity to discuss these at home to become more involved with your child's learning and help them develop an on-going love of learning.

Water bottles

Please ensure that your child brings a water bottle into school every day. This should contain only water, not squash, juice or flavoured water.

Many thanks and best wishes for the term ahead.

Mrs Thomas, Mrs Pear, Mrs Chami and Mrs Smith