

Westdale Infant School

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Weekly Attendance Update

Year so far: 95.8% | This week: 94.9% | Target: 97%

What a long and hot week—thank you to all of our community in your support this week, it has been greatly appreciated. All staff have worked hard to ensure children have been safe and well. We have had numerous fans in all rooms, one room with an air con unit in which can be accessed at any time if needed. We have used the hall for calm, cool(ish) colouring at lunchtimes, played in the shade for short periods of time and enjoyed keeping ourselves cool with water play—see photos attached. All children have had regular hydration breaks and our classroom blinds, early window openings have all helped to keep the rooms as cool as we could.

Staff were still in school Friday, concentrating air con and fans to help us keep cool. We have used this unexpected time to catch up on planning, admin and preparation for next year. We are looking forward to some cooler days next week!

In the meantime we hope everyone stays safe and well in the heat and we look forward to seeing you all Monday.

UPCOMING EVENTS

02/07/2026

Year 2 Trip to Twycross Zoo

08/07/2026

Sports Day (re-arranged)
1.30pm

Staff Shout Out

This week's shout out goes to our wonderful Admin Apprentice; Miss Walker-Price.

This week has been very busy on the phones & in school with early pick up's and lots of questions. Miss Walker-Price has been amazing as the first point of call for school and has dealt with all the queries exceptionally!

Well done Miss Walker-Price, and Happy 19th Birthday for Monday!!



Important Information
School calendar:

Next week's School Dinners will be week 3. Please note that dinner orders are taken a week in advance

Inset Days for 2025/2026

27 July 26

Class Dojo Winners – Last Week

...and the duck race winners for each year group this week were: Koen (F2). Zayn (Yr 1), Grace (Y2)

This weeks contenders were-

Robins— Ryan & Larae

Kingfishers— Darcey & Lily

Wrens— Hudson & Koen

Eagles— Reuben & Ayrton

Puffins— Isabella & Zayn

Owls— Shirley & Myleyah

Hub—Grace & Isaac (in with Year 2 race)

A big well done to all of you for your achievements this week!



Year 2 Film Night

To raise funds for the Year 2 filming day that recently took place and our Year 2 leaving events, Miss Brown & Mrs Roadley are holding a film night for our Eagles & Owls.

This will take place on Thursday 9th July, after school until 5pm, collection from Year 2 classroom doors.

The film showing will be 'Inside Out 2'.

This will be £4 per child and children will be given a small bag of sweets as a snack. If you wish to send in further snacks, you are welcome to, but please remember **NO NUTS.**

Payment can be made on Arbor via the school shop, if you wish your child to attend

Very Important Visit



Our children loved welcoming Micheal Payne our local MP last week. They were full of smiles and kindness personifying Westdale values—we were all very proud. They enjoyed sharing their learning, asking questions and making our visitor feel very welcome. Michael met with our school parliament and invited them to write to him directly—this will be on our agenda for next week. We used the opportunity to talk to Michael about the strengths and achievements of our school along with the challenges and difficulties that face us on a day to day basis. Michael has said that he will raise these with relevant departments and people and we look forward to him visiting again soon. Watch this space.

Eco Team Update



A HUGE thank you to Daisy's dad for taking the time to use his skills to create us our very own vegetable planter for our Year 2 courtyard! It is a lovely addition to our herb garden and his thoughtful gift will help children enjoy more hands-on learning outdoors and care for plants as they grow. We are delighted with it!

Yesterday, Daisy, the Owl's eco-team and a few of her friends worked together to plant some beanstalks. They handled them with great care, watered them gently and found sticks to help the young plants grow upwards. The beanstalks are still quite fragile at the moment, so we are hoping the lovely sunshine will help them perk up and grow strong.

OPAL Bingo Winners



A big thank you for all of your donations for the OPAL bingo we have had lots of bikes, scooters, toys and dressing up clothes which the children have started to enjoy! It's fabulous to see everyone so busy and engaged at lunchtimes—many children have now learnt how to ride a bike!

Our next big plan is to create a big sandpit on the main playground—any offers of help would be much appreciated!!

The winners for this challenger were Robins & Wrens. Well done and thank you!

When the weather cools these classes will get an extra long playtime and an ice pop.

Westdale in the heatwave....

A huge thank you to everyone for being so supportive throughout this week's extreme weather.

The staff have worked so hard to keep children safe, healthy & cool. Here are some ways we kept cool!

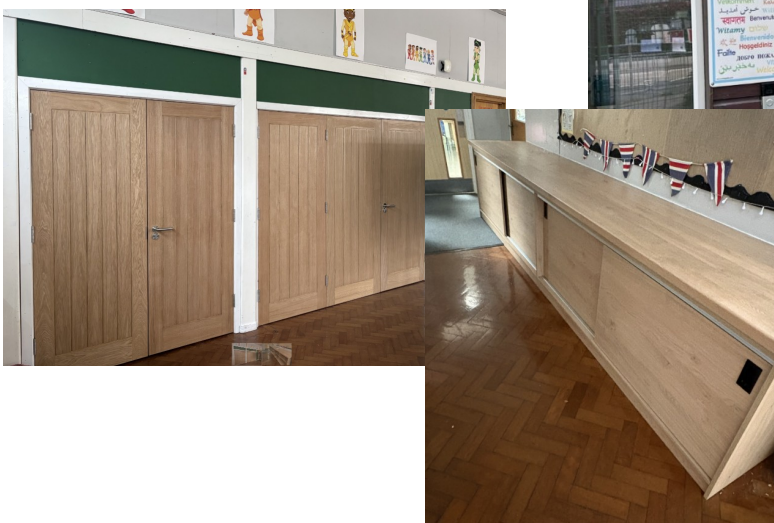


Site Improvements

We have been making further improvements to the site recently.

Take a look at the photos below; Mr Curtis has worked hard replacing some fascia boards, and we have had a new sign fitted to the entrance this week.

Also take a look at the new doors we have had fitted to in the hall to replace the curtains, and a new storage bench outside the Head's office. The internal work was funded by DFE grant—further works from this are due this summer!



Holiday Clubs

Rattle & Roll are holding a holiday club in our Little Stars building during the first two weeks of the summer holidays.

Please see below for other dates also.



Summer 2026

Mapperley & Woodthorpe Holiday Club

Open to all children aged 3 to 11 years

Activities include dodgeball, dance, drama, yoga, multi skills, ball games, art and crafts, team and confidence building activities and much more.



LOCATION:
Westdale Infant School, Woodthorpe Infant School, Stanhope Primary School

DATES & TIME:
08:00am - 17:00pm

27th-31st July: Westdale Infants (Paid Places only)
3rd-7th August: Westdale Infants (Paid Places only)

10th-14th August: Woodthorpe Infants (Paid Places only)
17th-21st August: Woodthorpe Infants (Paid Places only)

27th July -21st August: Stanhope Primary (Funded places only) - Booking opens on eequ on 1st July.

If you want further information about this please contact enquiries@rattleandrollperformance.com.



To book a funded place for Stanhope via EEQU, please scan this QR code

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