

# Westdale Infant School

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## Weekly Attendance Update

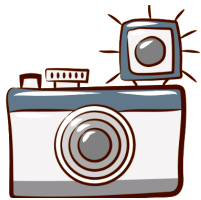
Year so far: 96.8% | This week: 94.64% | Target: 97%

Another busy and fun week in school!

On Wednesday we held Film Nights for our Year 1 & 2 children, the children were amazing and feedback was “it was epic!” Thanks teachers for giving your time to support.

Friday saw our very own ‘Westdale Goose Fair’ for our Year 1 children. This was a celebration of all of their learning focused around funfairs and Goose Fair. They had Hook a Duck, a Coconut Shy, pumpkin scooping, apple bobbing, our magical hall of mirrors and an actual roundabout! Hot dogs and mushy peas were also a big hit — there were lots of smiles and excitement. A big, big thank you to the Year 1 team for organising such an experience and thank you to of our families for supporting these events. It is very much appreciated.

Look out for the colouring competition coming soon from our Parents of Westdale!



## School Photographs

### Thursday 2nd October

If it is your child's PE day on a Thursday please send them to school in their uniform (NOT PE KIT). They do NOT need to bring a PE kit on that day.

If your child is in Little Stars and doesn't attend on a Thursday please feel free to bring them to the school office at 9.30am and wait with them while their photo is taken.

If your child has a sibling who DOESN'T attend Westdale Infants you are welcome to bring them to the Digby Avenue entrance to have a sibling photo from 8.30am. Sibling photos for children who attend Westdale Infants will be taken during the day.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

02/10/2025

Individual Child Photographs  
Harvest and Autumn Celebration—  
children only—donations gratefully  
received

14/10/2025 & 16/10/2025

Wrens & Robins Parents Even-  
ing

16/10/2025

Eagles & Owls Pirate Day  
2pm Sea Shanty Performance  
to families



Important Information  
School calendar:

Next week's [School Dinners](#)  
will be Week 2 . Please note  
that dinner orders are taken a  
week in advance

## Inset Days for 2025/2026

3 November 25  
12 June 26  
27 July 26

## Staff Shout Out

This week's shout out goes to our lovely Miss Lawrence.

Miss Lawrence works in Year 1 supporting the children. Your calmness, kindness and dedication really shines through and you have become a vital part of the Westdale Team!

Thank you Miss Lawrence for all your hard work, we are very lucky to have you here.



Miss Lawrence has also started helping in Wraparound so I'm sure many more of you will see her around school.



## Unwelcome Visitors in school

We have been advised there may be an issue with head lice in some classes. Please find below the latest information on how to treat and check your child's hair.

### Detection and prevention

Lice are most easily detected by fine tooth combing really wet hair. If no lice can be found by careful combing of shampooed hair from the roots, there is no need to consider applying head lice treatments (lotions or rinses), even if there have been cases reported in school. If head lice are discovered, then there are two options to deal with the problem.

#### 1. 'Wet combing' method

Head lice may be cleared over a two week period by the following method:

- Wash the hair in the normal way with an ordinary shampoo;
- Using lots of hair conditioner and while the hair is very wet, comb through the hair from the roots with a fine tooth comb. Make sure the teeth of the comb slot into the hair at the roots with every stroke, and do this over a pale surface, such as a paper towel or the bath;
- Clear the comb of lice between each stroke;
- Wet lice find it difficult to escape, and hair which is slippery from conditioner makes it hard for them to keep a grip - so removal with the comb is easier;
- If you find any lice, then repeat this routine every 3-4 days for 2 weeks, so that any lice emerging from the eggs are removed before they can spread.

#### 2. Using Lotions

Your local pharmacist will be able to recommend lotions and rinses which are specially made to kill lice and their eggs quickly and safely. The particular treatment recommended changes from time to time because your local health authority will change from one product to another. This is called a rotational policy. The aim is to prevent head lice becoming resistant to the active ingredient in one particular product. Your pharmacist will be able to explain the correct way to use the product. If the problem persists then you should discuss this further with your family doctor.



The children (and the teachers) thoroughly enjoyed their film night on Wednesday, and they behaved beautifully; it was a pleasure to have them. They snuggled with their cuddly toys while watching the film 'Inside Out' with their friends - laughing and sharing sweets.

We raised £154 for Year 2, which will be used to purchase new resources for our classroom, enriching and enhancing the learning experience. We look forward to sharing photos of these once they've arrived. Thank you for your support!

Year 1 children watched 'Moana' and were superbly behaved, they all loved it! Year 1 raised £122 and are also purchasing resources for the classroom. Keep a look out for photos!



### Calling All Reading Volunteers!

We need your help! If you have any spare time during the week—be it a morning, afternoon, or even just an hour—we would love for you to volunteer your time in school to support our young readers. We're looking for some enthusiastic individuals to work with our less confident readers, giving them the opportunity to practise their phonic decoding skills. Reading is so essential as it underpins all learning across the curriculum and opens up new worlds of knowledge and experience. Your support could make a real difference!

If you're able to commit to this weekly, please do get in touch; we would love to hear from you. Don't worry if you're unsure about how to get started—we're more than happy to provide some training with our English Lead. Your time and effort could help ignite a passion for reading in our children!

Thank you



## Year 1 Goose Fair Day

Our Year 1 team arranged a very fun and exciting day for our Kingfishers & Puffins children today.

There were so many activities to take part in, from hook a duck, bobbing for apples, making fairground rides, and we even had our own ride in the playground!

Hot dogs and mushy peas were on the menu too, and these were a big hit!

What an amazing day—a big thank you for your support, and to our amazing Year 1 team for all their efforts in organising this for the children.

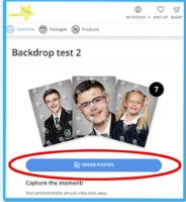


Information from the photographers about how to order photographs following the proofs being sent.

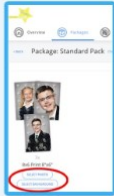
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Step by step guide

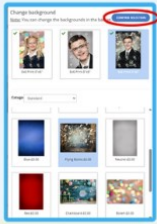
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