



## **Westfield Primary School March/ April Newsletter**

OUR SCHOOL IS A NUT FREE ZONE

### **Holiday Dates**

#### **Easter Holiday**

**School closes** at **2.30pm** on Friday 29 March 2019

**School re-opens:** Monday 15 April 2019

#### **Easter Weekend**

**School closed:** Friday 19 April 2019

**School re-opens:** Tuesday 23 April 2019

#### **May/June Holidays**

**School closed:** Monday 6 May 2019

**School closed:** Tuesday 7 May 2019 – Teachers' In-service Day

**School closed:** Friday 24 May 2019

**School re-opens:** Tuesday 28 May 2019

**School closes** for the summer on **Friday 28 June at 1pm**

### **Westfield's Twitter Account**

Follow us on Twitter for updates on school life.

Below are the links for the website/blog and our Twitter page.

- <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/nl/WestfieldWonders>
- [https://twitter.com/Westfield\\_PS](https://twitter.com/Westfield_PS)

When on the school blog there is a link to Twitter on the right hand side under the heading of Bookmarks.

### **School Ties**

A small number of senior pupils are wearing school shirts but without a tie. I have purchased ties that will be issued on a day to day basis if pupils are not wearing their own ties. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any concerns around the wearing of the school's uniform.

## **Dates for your Diary**

### **World Book Day**

We will be holding events for World Book Day on Friday the 8<sup>th</sup> of March. Children can take a photograph of themselves reading a book in an unusual place. They can then bring the photograph to school and we will upload them to the blog and / or children can bring in their favourite book to read in class and the children will have the opportunity to pair up with buddies from different stages to share a read.

We have decided not to have costumes this year as this puts parents under additional pressure to buy or make costumes. The children have been given their book tokens to spend at local bookshops.

### **Comic Relief – RED NOSE DAY – Friday 15 March**

The Pupil Council will be organising a fun non-uniform/pyjama/crazy hair day as well as selling the Red Noses. The noses now cost £1.25 so to cover the cost of both the nose and the fun day we will be asking each child to bring in £2 in total.

### **World War Two Showcase**

P5 to P7 have been learning all about WW2 and would like to share their knowledge and understanding with their families. An invitation to come and see what they have learnt will be issued shortly.

### **After School Clubs**

The following after-school clubs will run throughout term 3: Tuesday – Dance with Rebecca and Thursday, Judo with Allan and cross Country with Rebecca. Many thanks to everyone for their support with the after-school clubs. They are always well attended. Any suggestions for other clubs will be welcome and if possible we will endeavour to organise. Dance Club children will participate in the Dancemania Event on Thursday the 28<sup>th</sup> of March in Cumbernauld Academy at 6.30pm. Details will be given out nearer the time. Term 4 clubs will be finalised before the Easter Break.

Congratulations are due to the children who participated in the local Cross Country event. Gracie and Oscar Ballantyne, Ben Johnston and Niamh Wandrum go through to the finals at Coatbridge Outdoor Centre on the Tuesday the 12<sup>th</sup> of March 2019. We wish them all the best.

### **Rights Respecting School**

The Right of the Month is: **Article 24** – You have the right to the best health possible. Please talk to your children about this right and find out what it means to them and what it means in our community.

## TOLERANCE COMPASSION CONFIDENCE SUCCESS

To support our knowledge of RRS, the children have been set a House point challenge of producing posters to display around the school detailing the Right of the Month and what it looks like to them.

### **K'Nex Challenge**

Four P6 pupils will be competing in the annual K'Nex Challenge at Greenfaulds High School on Wednesday 27 March.

### **Easter Service**

This year we will be visiting Condorrat Parish Church to celebrate Easter on Thursday 18 April. Unfortunately there will not be enough room for parents to attend the service with nearly 260 pupils in the church. We will be walking to and from the church so our visit will be dependent on the weather conditions.

### **Easter Fun**

The children are invited to bring in any home-made bonnets for a parade through the school and a decorated **hard-boiled** egg for the House competition on Thursday 18 April. Eggs can be brought in from Monday 15 April for display purposes.

### **Valentine's Disco**

Many thanks to all the parents from the PTA who helped run the disco on Thursday 14 February and thank you also to all the teachers who assisted on the night. We had a great turn-out and the children had lots of fun.

### **Maths Challenge**

This will take place on Friday 8 March at Greenfaulds High School – we will be sending two teams and hope that they have great fun and do well!

### **Science Fair**

All P7 children are invited to take part in the cluster science fair held at Greenfaulds High School on Tuesday 12 of March. The fair starts at 7pm, however competitors should be there for half six to set up their experiments.

### **Reading Challenge Quiz**

P7 pupils will be taking part in a quiz based on their knowledge of literacy at Condorrat Library on Monday 25 March at 1.30pm.

### **Wear a Hat Day – Friday 29 March**

P7 pupils are organising a fund raising event to raise money for a brain tumour charity as part of their NL Challenge and also in memory of a former pupil.

More details will be issued by the P7s nearer the time.