

WESTBOURNE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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12th June 2026



Y6 Isle of Wight Residential

Despite the ferocious winds and torrential rain throughout a lot of their stay, the Year Sixes had an absolutely amazing time on the Isle of Wight last week, just as we knew they would! Although the sun was a little bit reticent, the smiles on the children's faces as they threw themselves (often literally!) into each and every activity more than made up for the dodgy weather! From the moment we set off on the Monday morning, there was fun, laughter and a lot of singing on the way. We visited so many exciting places... Tapnell Farm, Osborne House, Carisbrooke Castle, Sandown Beach, Blackgang Chine, Shanklin Theatre, Alum Bay, Yarmouth Marina, Godshill Model Village and Church, and the Wildheart Animal Sanctuary... as well as having fun in the park, and at the disco (obvs!)... the week really was jam-packed! Throughout their School Journey, the children were fantastic eaters and sleepers too...as you can imagine, we teachers were more than delighted that contented snores rang out through the Channel View Hotel from the moment the children's heads hit their pillows until it was time to wake them up the following morning (a hard task for some!)

All in all this has been the 'best trip ever!' and the children have been a true credit to themselves and indeed to Westbourne...continuous compliments from various people on the island were in abundance! An outstanding performance - well done Year 6... you did us proud!



Girls' Kwik Cricket - Westbourne retain their crown!

On Wednesday 10th June, the Girls' Kwik Cricket team travelled to Purley Cricket Club for the annual Borough Kwik Cricket competition. Westbourne were in Group A, where they faced Brookfield and Cheam Common.

In the opening group game, we played Brookfield who had some very big hitters! Brookfield got off to a tremendous start notching up a huge run rate. The team were caught cold and initially struggled to build on their county win just before half term. Westbourne tried to chase down the total but narrowly missed out on the target set. All to play for now!

With Cheam Common beating Brookfield, we knew we had to win to stand any chance of progressing out of the group stage. A scintillating batting display backed up by taking 5 wickets saw us win by a convincing 69 runs. A huge victory! All three schools finished on the same points; however, with the amount of runs scored across the two games, Westbourne topped the group on runs scored.

Westbourne progressed to the semi-finals where they faced second placed team in Group B - Sutton High. The girls were full of confidence and ready to get into their third Kwik Cricket final in as many years! It is safe to say that the team put on a real show (as the organisers said) 'the performance of the day'. Every single girl hitting at least one boundary - the target set was just 24 runs, this shows just how good the bowling and fielding was. Our batting was so good that the girls reached the target within the first over - simply amazing! Westbourne won the game comfortably and progressed to the final to set up a mouth-watering game against local rivals Cheam Park Farm.

The final was upon us, the team ready, inspired by some truly immense performances earlier in the day - time for the showdown to begin! Bethany won the toss and elected to bowl first. After the first over, Cheam Park Farm had already notched up 5 boundaries. Westbourne managed to slow the opponents progress during the middle overs; however, they did come back strong setting a very competitive target of 54 runs. 55 runs required to be crowned champions once again - let the chase commence! Victoria and Klaudia started off steadily, some excellent running between the wickets got us up and running and on the score board. The batting remained consistent throughout the team but we were always just a few runs short of where we wanted to be to really challenge. With one over left, just 5 balls remaining we required 10 runs to win, a big ask but doable. Up stepped Laura, 4 runs scored, 6 runs to win, just 2 balls left at this point! Another 4 runs scored by Laura meant that Westbourne required just 2 runs off of the final ball. Pressure? What pressure! Laura dispatched her third 4 to clinch victory. A truly immense batting display with true Westbourne spirit, determination and above all else a real composure to score the winning runs and guide the team to success.

Westbourne will now progress to the county finals to go along with their progress in the Starburst competition - a remarkable season of cricket.

Team: Bethany, Isabel, Laura, Nivethika, Ava, Klaudia, Dheeksita, Jessica and Victoria.

Girl of the match: Laura – simply outstanding!

A huge congratulations to the team for winning the competition again! You have all represented Westbourne with such skill and pride. I could not be any prouder of you for what you and our school has achieved this year.

Mr Jiggins



Following our victory in the local stages of the Geoff Richards 8-a-side Cup, we were drawn against a very strong side from Surbiton High Boys' Prep School. For once we won the toss (excellent 'Rock, Paper, Scissors' skills by Aadhy...at last!) and elected to field first. The boys bowled pretty tidily and fielded bravely – Aadhvik taking a powerful ball in the stomach off his own bowling! Highlights included some brilliant boundary sweeping by Benji and a super 2-wicket leg spin over by Aadhvik, with catches from Aadhav and Akaran. Batting proved pretty challenging with their pace attack – one ball even flew over Akaran's head! Although we lost on the day, we stuck to our task well and played with resilience, determination and great sportsmanship to the end – as noted by the opposition teacher. Well done boys: as ever, you were a credit to the school and to yourselves!

Sports Days 2026

Nursery and Reception Sports Day	Monday 29th June Nursery: 9:05am – 9:35am Reception: 10am –11:15am
Y1/3/2 (<u>correct order</u>) Sports Day	Wednesday 1st July Y1: 9:05am – 10:35am Y3: 11am – 12:30pm Y2: 1:30pm -3pm
Y4/5/6 Sports Day	Thursday 2nd July Y4: 9:05am – 10:35am Y5: 11am – 12:30pm Y6: 1:30pm -3pm



The Children's Commissioner for England - Dame Rachel de Souza - has a statutory role to promote, protect, and advocate for the rights and interests of children, particularly the most vulnerable.

She has launched a new, nation-wide survey as she wants to hear from children aged 0–18 from every background, in every part of the country. She is asking children about the things they enjoy, the challenges they face, the changes they want to see in their communities, and what they think a good childhood should look like today.

She would be hugely grateful if we could share the survey with **pupils, parents and carers** across our school community. Schools with particularly high participation rates will receive formal recognition for helping amplify children's voices, along with a summary of their pupils' responses, and an invite to my final Festival of Childhood. Here is a link to the survey – thank you!

<https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/TheBigFuture/>



Bike Bus

A great parent-led initiative to make the school run more enjoyable and environmentally friendly! If you are interested, please liaise directly with Ishay (details in the poster below).



Join other Westbourne families for a fun, social group cycle to school every Friday morning (starting small and growing gradually!)

WHY JOIN?

- ✓ Safer riding together as a group
- ✓ Less traffic and parking stress around school
- ✓ More confidence for children cycling on roads
- ✓ A healthier, happier start to the day
- ✓ Meet other local families

WHEN AND WHERE?

Friday mornings

For now, we're riding from the **Robin Hood Lane** area north along **Collingwood Road** toward school.

Families can join along the way!

As more riders join, we hope to adapt and expand routes over time.

If the current route doesn't suit your location, please still get in touch - we'd love to hear from interested families across the Westbourne community.

KEEP IT SAFE!

- ! Children must be accompanied by an adult
- ! Up to 3 children per adult
- ! Adult ride leaders are at the front and back
- ! Additional adults help keep the group together
- ! We ride together at an easy pace

HOW TO JOIN?

Ishay

Maya's dad, Y1 Ribble

0770 978 3251

ishay.r@rehov.net

🚲 Let's make the school run fun





Scan to register

MUSIC LESSONS

Your school offers in-school music lessons
with Sutton Music Trust!



Speak to the school office or email
hello@suttonmusictrust.org.uk to find out more!



HPL at Westbourne

As a **re-accredited HPL World Class School** (<https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/westbourne-primary-school/UploadedDocument/013b69d7-a2ed-4e8b-a945-632118753e46/newsletter-11th-july-2025.pdf>), we will continue to optimise and systematise HPL at Westbourne (for children, staff and parents, too) as members of the prestigious HPL Fellowship and Global Community.

If you are new to the school and/or wish to find out more about HPL, please find below a couple of posters summarising the HPL skills; you can also find more information by clicking on our website's HPL navigation tab: <https://www.westbourne.sutton.sch.uk/topic/hpl>

There is also a wealth of assemblies on HPL competencies on the school website: <https://westbourne-primary-school.primarysite.media/playlist/school-assemblies-spring-term-2021>

In the next few weeks, **Infants** will continue to focus on the VAAs (Values, Attitudes and Attributes – How we Behave) – see poster below.

Juniors will now focus on: **Connection Finding** and **Imagination** (part of the *Linking* cluster) – see posters on the next page.

Perseverance
To keep going and never give up, even when faced with difficulties and obstacles.



Hard-Working Hedgehog

Resilience
To overcome any problems I face and help my friends when they need help.

Practice
To repeat the same actions until I have mastered it. 'Practice makes Progress!'

Hard-working
To work hard until the best outcome is achieved, overcoming setbacks.



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Collaborative
To work as part of a team, share my ideas and listen to the ideas of others.



Empathetic Elephant

Confidence
Believe in yourself! Try new things and be proud of your achievements.

Concerned for Society
Celebrate everyone's differences and be kind to others.

Empathetic
To be aware of your own beliefs, work as a team and show empathy towards others.



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Enquiring
Be independent and willing to question ideas. Be curious and develop your own views and solutions.



Agile Alligator

Open-Minded
Be open to new ideas and flexible in challenging your opinions.

Creative and Enterprising
To be resourceful and use your initiative when faced with a challenge.

Agile
Question ideas, use your initiative and be open-minded.

Risk-Taking
Be positive and confident to try something new. Step outside of your comfort zone and don't be afraid of challenges.



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CONNECTION FINDING



- What knowledge can I use from previous learning to help with new learning?
- Can I make connections between different parts of my learning?



IMAGINATION



- I know that to solve problems I need to think of solutions.
- I ask, 'What if...?' to begin my solution...
- I use prior knowledge to think of a solution





School Council's Best Behaviours!

- ✓ **Respect others at all times**
- ✓ **Look after friends and school property** - *Concern for Society*
- ✓ **Be grateful for your friends, teachers and opportunities**
- ✓ **Follow instructions given by all adults**
- ✓ **Be responsible for your choices and actions** - *Self Regulation*
- ✓ **Use your manners wherever you are**
- ✓ **Include everyone** - *Collaboration*
- ✓ **Think before you speak**
- ✓ **Play kindly and safely**
- ✓ **Try your best in everything you do**

❖ School Councillors have special stickers to reward children who follow these Best Behaviours

❖ There will be a weekly award for children who impress their School Councillor





We're a Voice 21 Oracy School!

Voice 21 is the national charity that advocates for and supports schools in delivering a high-quality oracy education. In continuing our relationship with Voice 21 for another year, we are part of a network of over 1,100 Voice 21 Oracy Schools across the UK that are transforming teaching and learning through talk.

Why oracy matters?

Oracy is articulating ideas, developing understanding and engaging with others through speaking, listening and communication.

We actively invest teaching time into creating "talk-rich" classrooms, valuing every student voice, boosting confidence, and preparing our students for their futures.

- Speaking and listening skills are critical foundations for reading and writing.
- Students with better oral language skills are more likely to achieve the highest grades in GCSE Maths and English.
- Young people with good communication skills are less likely to have mental health difficulties.

By teaching students to become effective speakers and listeners, we empower them to understand themselves, each other, and the world around them better.



Why are we a Voice 21 Oracy School?

As a Voice 21 Oracy School, we are placing oracy at the heart of our teaching and learning across all subject areas enabling students to develop and deepen their knowledge and understanding through talk in the classroom.

In Voice 21 Oracy Schools:

- 89% of students agree/strongly agree that speaking and listening has helped them make progress with their school work.
- 77% of teachers said that oracy had boosted attainment.
- 96% of teachers said that oracy is an essential part of teaching and learning.

Find out more about oracy and Voice 21 [here](#)





SAFEGUARDING Spring/Summer Newsletter



Welcome from the Safeguarding Team...



Dear Parents and Carers,

Safeguarding remains at the heart of everything we do and is everybody's responsibility. We are committed to working together as staff, families, and the wider community to keep our children safe both in and out of school. By maintaining open communication and strong partnerships, we ensure all children feel safe, supported and confident.

We are pleased to welcome back Mrs Aves (SENDCo) from maternity leave. Our safeguarding team plays a vital role in helping to keep children safe at school, at home, and within the community.

Safeguarding Newsletter

This week, the Safeguarding Spring-Summer 2026 Newsletter was sent out to all parents and carers via Parentmail. You can find it on our website, too:

<https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/westbourne-primary-school/UploadedDocument/f5ed116d-a42e-4823-b233-d5e42bd379ad/safeguarding-newsletter-spring-and-summer-2026.pdf>

For Parents – WhatsApp for Under 13s

With the exception of YouTube, WhatsApp has always been one of the most popular messaging apps, including for children under 13. This has always been a concern for a lot of different reasons, but out of the blue it seems that Meta have now created a parent-managed service which I think is really good.

Similar to other parent-managed accounts, a parent will pair their device/account to the child's device/account which then gives a lot of flexibility such as:

- No 'view once' messages.
- No location sharing.
- Messages and group invites from unknown contacts sent to the parent for approval.
- Parent notifications, such as new contact added.

[Link: WhatsApp parent-managed accounts - explained.](#)

[Link: How to set up a parent-managed account.](#)



Illness and Attendance

Is my child too ill for school?

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school when they're unwell.

There are government guidelines for schools and nurseries about managing specific infectious diseases at GOV.UK. These say when children should be kept off school and when they shouldn't. Please click [here](#) to view the government guidelines.

We aim for all children's **attendance to be 96% and above**. When it falls below 90% we have a legal duty to inform the Local Authority which then triggers an investigation by the Education Welfare Service. When a child's attendance falls below 90%, there is a serious risk of underachievement.

Support Your Child to Succeed in School

Help your child understand that school is their very first job! Make great school attendance a priority for your child. Talk to your child about the importance of daily attendance in every class and how it contributes to his/her learning.

The Power of a Strong Finish to the Term

– *Don't Skip Fridays*

As we approach the culmination of the calendar year at Westbourne, it's crucial to highlight the impact of a strong finish on our pupils' educational journey. Fridays represent a significant fifth of the learning week, and missing half a Friday every fortnight adds up to a tenth of the entire school year. It's not just about consolidating lessons but also fostering social connections and a culture of belonging.

Let's make the most of these moments – reviewing lessons, engaging with peers, and participating in school activities. By collectively emphasizing a strong finish, we contribute to a more enriching educational experience for all at Westbourne

Developing Good Habits

Support your child in practicing good daily habits, such as:

- Finishing homework and placing it in his/ her backpack;
- Laying out clothes and the school reading book in the evening;
- Maintaining a regular bedtime for a good night's sleep;
- Leaving early enough in the morning to get to school on time;
- Turning off electronic devices one hour before bedtime.

Contact the school in the morning to communicate your child's absence.

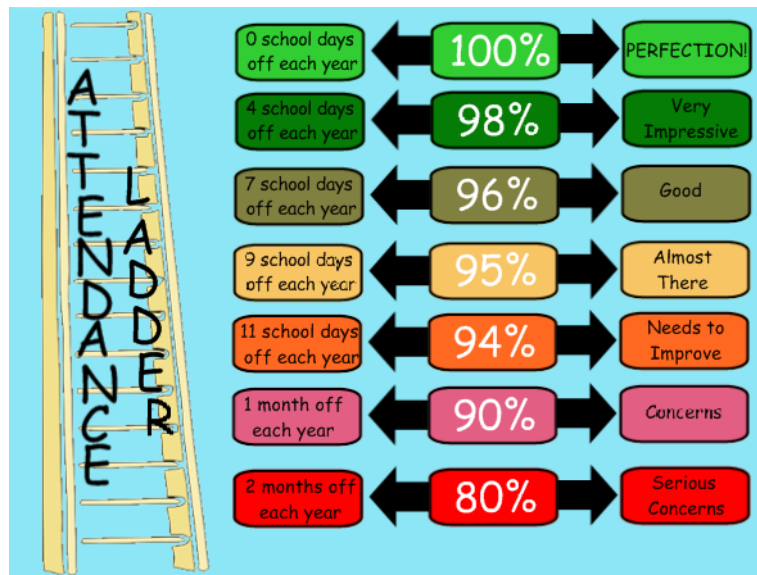


School Matters!



Weekly Attendance

Class	%
Avon	94.3%
Ember	97.7%
Thames	94.0%
Cherwell	94.0%
Ribble	94.3%
Waveney	94.3%
Beverley	99.3%
Eden	97.3%
Mole	96.7%
Fleet	93.2%
Kennet	95.3%
Mersey	94.7%
Dart	99.0%
Lea	88.3%
Tay	96.7%
Medway	99.3%
Tweed	98.0%
Tyne	97.3%
Derwent	97.4%
Trent	94.0%
Wandle	92.3%



This Week's Overall Attendance

Attendance has improved this week, averaging at **95.6%** - let's get it over 96% next week!



Attendance Policy - Reminder

Attendance is mandatory (and a parental duty) – we expect all children to be at school, unless they are unwell. Attendance is vital for the children's education, socialising and overall well-being, including their economic prosperity and long-term health – children benefit hugely from being at school!

In line with National and Local policy and guidance, we reviewed our Attendance Policy in September, which can be found on our website:

<https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/westbourne-primary-school/UploadedDocument/514a8ce7-c133-4850-bfbb-64e542b95cba/attendance-policy-sept-2024.pdf>

Please note the following:

Penalty Notice Fines will be considered by schools, in collaboration with the Local Authority through the Attendance Support Team, when the threshold of 10 sessions (half days) of unauthorised absence (together or separate occasions) is met within 10-school-week period – this means it can span weeks, school terms and academic years. Detailed information for parents is available in the Policy Appendix.



Attendance Service
Cantium House, Railway Approach,
SM6 0DZ



National Framework for Penalty Notices – What you need to know.

The following changes will apply from 19th August 2024:

Penalty Notice Fines will be considered by schools when the threshold of 10 sessions (half days) of unauthorised absence (together or separate occasions) is met within 10 school week period – this means it can span weeks, school terms and academic years.

NB – If in an individual case the local authority (or other authorised officer) believes a penalty notice would be appropriate if a non-attendance trend is identified, they retain the discretion to issue one before the threshold is met.

First Offences:

The first penalty notice issued to a parent in respect of a particular pupil will be charged at **£160 if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80 if paid within 21 days.**

Second Offences (within 3 years):

A second penalty notice issued to the same parent in respect of the same pupil is charged at a **flat rate of £160 if paid within 28 days.**

Any Further Offence (within 3 years):

A Third Penalty Notice cannot be issued to the same parent in respect of the same child within 3 years of the date of issue of the first. If the threshold is met for a third or subsequent times within 3 years, alternative legal intervention will be taken, this may include cases being presented straight to a Magistrates' Court.

For London Borough of Sutton's Penalty Notice Code of Conduct (updated version regarding new framework to come) or further support with any attendance issues, please visit our website:
<https://www.cognus.org.uk/services/attendance-support-team/for-families/>



Education Wellbeing Service Webinar

YEAR 6 PARENT / CARER WORKSHOP: TOP TIPS FOR SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD'S TRANSITION TO SECONDARY SCHOOL

'Is your child getting ready for the move to secondary school? This transition can bring excitement but also worries and uncertainty. Join us to learn practical, supportive ways to help your child feel more confident and prepared'

- *Is your child mentioning worries about starting secondary school?*
- *Are you wondering how best to support them through the transition?*
- *Do you want practical tips for managing conversations about the move?*
- *Would you like to help your child build confidence and cope with new challenges?*

What you'll gain from the workshop:

- Understanding of common worries about transition
- Tips for supporting anxious thoughts and feelings
- Ideas for helpful conversations and building coping skills

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DATES / TIMES

<u>Tuesday 23rd June</u>	6.00-7.00 pm
<u>Wednesday 8th July</u>	12.30-1.30 pm
<u>Monday 10th August</u>	6.00-7.00pm

LOCATION

Online - Hosted on Teams

Sign up to this event
for free on Eventbrite
by scanning the QR Code or
following the link below:

[Click here to book](#)

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Headteacher's Award

**HPL focus: Infants – VAAs. Juniors –
Connection finding; Imagination**

Nursery: Hadwin	Kennet: Ananya
Avon: Mahir	Mersey: Yousuf
Ember: Kai	Dart: Isaac
Thames: Krish	Lea: Mithun
Cherwell: Angelina	Tay: Yara
Ribble: Helena	Medway: Alex
Waveney: Liana	Tweed: Alfie
Beverley: Ayaan	Tyne: Emily
Eden: Alisha	Derwent: Melissa
Mole: Ryan	Trent: Arya
Fleet: Maryam	Wandle: Jessica

Smart Award

Congratulations to the following children for looking smart in their uniform around the school!



Avon: Eva	Mersey: Kahina
Ember: Angus	Dart: Khadiza
Thames: Willow-May	Lea: Nyla
Cherwell: Charlotte	Tay: Daniel
Ribble: Purvi	Medway: Akaran
Waveney: Ava	Tweed: Rhea
Beverley: Naksh	Tyne: Pari
Eden: Sienna	Derwent: Emir
Mole: Ryan	Trent: Yokshitha
Fleet: Magilan	Wandle: Cheng
Kennet: Prisha	

Class of the week

Congratulations to the following classes:

Infants: YR Thames Class
Juniors: Y6 Trent Class

for their excellent behaviour! Thames Class will have access to the 'Top Fun Bus' whilst Trent Class can go on the 'Trim Trail' or – if wet - use the School Council's Drawing Box!

Lunchtime Awards

YR Avon Class (Infants) and Y3 Kennet Class (Juniors) for showing great manners in the dinner hall at lunchtime! Avon Class will have the privilege of dining at the very special 'top table' in the hall, whereas Kennet Class have exclusive access to the Reading Shed.

Full colours



Congratulations to **Aadhvik** in Derwent Class, **Daniel** in Trent Class, and **Arthur** in Wandle Class for having been awarded the prestigious *Full Colours* – they are now Westbourne's ambassadors! They were presented with a Full Colours jumper and a School Colours badge in Assembly – well done! Who will be next?



Dates for your diary (please also check the Calendar on the website)

Spring Term 2026

WFA Summer Fair

Saturday 27th June between 11:30am -2:30pm

