



West Meadows Weekly

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What a busy week our youngest children in school have had in F1 and F2! They have had visits from the police and a fire engine and have been learning all about real life super heroes. It was wonderful to see them all so excited about their learning and hear from them about what they would like to be when they are older - from plumbers, builders, Headteachers to Mermaids! We also elected new sports leaders this week! Well done to the children in Year 5 who gained their sports leaders tops - we are proud of you all and look forward to you helping with our sporting events this year!

Harvest Festival:

Our Harvest Festival will be held on Wednesday 18th October for F2, Year 1 and Year 2 children. We would like to invite parents and family of these children to join us at St. Peter's Church in Hoyland to celebrate harvest with us. The children will parade up from school to the church and we aim to start our harvest celebrations at 9:15am. We also welcome into school now any donations of food, tins or packets which will go towards a local food bank.

Headlice:

We have had a significant number of reported cases of headlice across school. Please can we ask all parents to check their child's head this weekend and treat if necessary. Free treatment can be obtained from the chemist. There is also a free walk-in clinic at Walderslade Surgery in Hoyland every Wednesday from 3pm with a nurse who can treat them. Please also remember to do the second treatment and use a comb regularly to get rid of any eggs or additional lice that hatch to avoid recurring cases of them. Long hair is best tied up in school to also help prevent the spread. Many thanks for your support with this.

Halloween Disco:

We will hold a spook-tacular Halloween disco on Friday 27th October. Children can come to school in Halloween fancy dress for the day and bring in 50p to buy sweets at the disco. We can't wait to see everyone in their costumes!

Diary Dates:

16 th October -	Individual and Family Photographs
17 th October -	Year 5 Parents' Evening
18 th October -	Harvest Festival for F2 and KS1 pupils and families at St. Peter's Church
Wc 23 rd October -	Year 6 Residential
26 th October -	Parents' Evening
27 th October -	Halloween Disco and Fancy Dress
6 th November -	INSET day (School closed to all children for staff training)
13 th November -	Odd Sock Day / World Kindness Day
	Anti-bullying week in school
22 nd November -	Crucial Crew Year 6
23 rd November -	Flu sprays in school
30 th November -	SEN Coffee Afternoon
1 st December -	Christmas Fair in school
4 th December -	Carols Around the Tree – KS2 concert at St. Peter's Church (Families welcome)
6 th December -	Pantomime Trip
	Christmas Jumper Day
8 th December -	Fire Safety Talk in Year 3
15 th December -	F2 Nativity (AM)
18 th December -	Year 1, 2 and 6 Christmas Concerts (2pm and 6pm)
20 th December -	Year 3, 4 and 5 Christmas Concerts (2pm and 6pm)

Attendance Matters!

Every Friday we will celebrate our children's achievements, both in school and at home, including their attendance in school. Good attendance is vital for your child's education and means they can make the most of all aspects of school life. We really need your support this year to raise our attendance. If you need any help or support please come and see Mrs Maree. You can see your own child's attendance for the year and the last 4 weeks on the Arbor App. An attendance of 97% or above is considered to be good attendance.

F1 AM Inc 30 hours	89.6%
F2	94.5%
Year 1	92.5%
Year 2	90.3%
Year 3	91.9%
Year 4	95%
Year 5	92.7%
Year 6	97.5%

And this week's winner is...

Year 6

Photo Day:

Bring your best smile on Monday 16th October for our annual school photographs. Families who would like photographs taking with siblings who do not attend our school can arrive in school from 8:30am. Individual and sibling photos within school will then be taken during the school day so please ensure children are wearing school uniform.

Lost Property:

We have a large amount of lost property, including coats, jumpers and cardigans next to the reception/main office. Please come and take a look if you have lost anything. We have monitors who go through the basket and return items with names in to the correct class so please ensure all items of clothing, especially jumpers and cardigans are labelled.