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School closes **Friday 20th December at 3.20pm**
Return to school **Tuesday 7th January 2025** doors open at 8.35am, please be in school promptly for the doors closing at 8.50am.

Have a lovely break from everyone at Westfield.

The nominees for Pupil of the Week are:

- Y1W Scarlett
- Y1F Whole class
- Y2W Jorgie
- Y2F Alyssa, Haya, Jemimah & Amy
- Y3W Whole class
- Y3F Whole class
- Y4W Jack
- Y4F Isobel
- Y5W Lily
- Y5F Samuel
- Y6W Whole class
- Y6F Samia



Attendance Figures

4F & 5F will be wearing their own clothes as reward for highest attendance!

RW	89%
RF	78%
1W	82%
1F	81%
2W	93%
2F	89%
3W	90%
3F	94%
4W	91%
4F	98%
5W	94%
5F	98%
6W	93%
6F	88%

and our winners this week are:





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All of 1F

For their absolutely exceptional behaviour, attitude and hard work this week, You have made us all so proud!

Scarlet 1W

For her increased confidence when contributing to class discussions and for her effort in writing

Alyssa, Haya, Jemimah, Amy 2F

For their sheer determination, perseverance and positive attitudes when faced with computing difficulties that were not within their control. You all created your scratch junior quiz multiple times due to the endless times the programme froze, demonstrating your knowledge of the programme

Jorgie 2W

For her independent writing and for trying really hard and remembering to use full stops, capital letters and adjectives

All of 3F

For all of their hard work this week and for being exceptional representatives of Westfield at our trip to The Snowman

All of 3W

For being amazing representatives of Westfield when on our trip to watch The Snowman: a live orchestra



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Isobel 4F

For an amazing attitude change this week, Isobel has grown up so much this week and made all the right choices, working hard to improve her handwriting, put all she can into her maths work and has been an excellent friend to her peers

Jack 4W

For a really settled and focused week, He has tried exceptionally hard with his work and especially his handwriting

Samuel 5F

For a stunning week in which he has demonstrated the qualities of an exemplary Year 5 pupil

Lily 5W

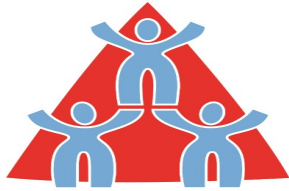
For putting dedication into improving her attendance, Lily has been present and on time every day for 3 weeks in a row, a tremendous improvement

Samia 6F

For a super start to Westfield, she has settled in beautifully in our class and been working hard in all lessons

All of 6W

For effort and conduct during the visit this week



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The total raised from our family Bingo Event this week was **£423.50**

It was a great success and all proceeds will benefit the children within our school.

Thank you for your continued support.

End of year party fun in RF!



For health and safety reasons the gates to the school car park are locked at the start and the end of the school day. If you access the car park at other times of the day, please note that there is a strict one-way system in operation.



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Year 3 have had a fun filled week. A visit from the Stone Age Visitor, where they got to learn about the Stone Age through exploring what they wore, ate, and made tools. On Wednesday, we had our Christmas party after someone from Wigan Council came in to show us how to make decorations using recycled material. We made Christmas trees using twigs and tissue paper.





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We had a visitor from Wigan Council who came in and taught craft activities with Y3 and Y4.



Please see the attached list of food pantries, community cafes/grocers, food banks etc available in the **Wigan borough**.

Please follow the link for further information.

<https://www.wigan.gov.uk/Docs/PDF/Council/The-Deal/Deal-Communities/Here-for-you/Wigan-Borough-Food-Pantries.pdf>



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Dear Parent / Carer,

We are delighted to share with you the exciting news that we have successfully secured the Tesco Stronger Starts Fruit and Veg grant for the 24/25 academic year. Tesco have partnered with the British Nutrition Foundation, Groundwork UK and National Schools Partnership to be able to offer the grant. As part of this initiative we have introduced a trolley in school for all pupils to access fruit during the school day and have also been able to offer a wide selection of fruits at our breakfast club. We are hoping to offer our pupils a wide variety of different fruits to allow them to hopefully try something new. Our School Council have also been hard at work designing posters for our new fruit trolley to encourage the pupils to help themselves to the fruit and veg we have on offer.

We hope your children are enjoying the fruit and veg so far and we will share some photographs with you over the next few weeks.



With Christmas approaching we are aware that many families face additional pressures that may impact on them during the festive period. Wigan has developed a network of [Family Hubs](#) that offer a range of online resources, pre-bookable, and drop in sessions to offer whole family support. This will develop and expand across the neighbourhoods as more family hubs are launched in Wigan in 2025.

We are aware that the festive period can be a challenging time for many families. Wigan has developed a network of [Family Hubs](#) that offer a range of pre-bookable and drop in sessions to offer whole family support.

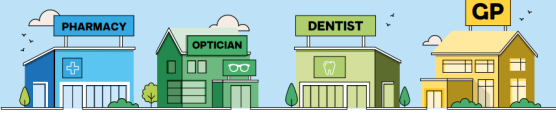
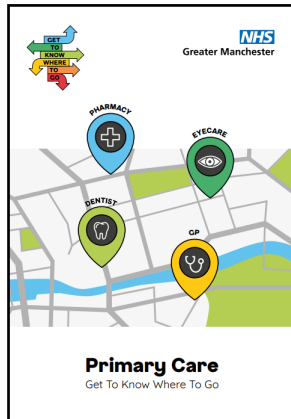
Please note that we will be offering support for families at the following venues between Christmas and New Year.

- The Family hub at The Meadows, 100-116 Ridyard Street, Wigan, WN5 9RQ
- The Start Well Family Centre at the Chappel, Westleigh Lane, Westleigh, WN7 5NJ

Both centres will offer reduced opening times between 9am and 4pm on the 27th December, 30th December, and the 31st December. Normal opening times across all our network will resume on the 2nd January 2025.



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Primary Care doing things differently

Demand for primary care is increasing so we are transforming how we work.

A wider range of health professionals than ever is available close to where you live.

There are new ways to easily contact primary care such as the NHS App or an online consultation with your GP practice. These may be more convenient if you are busy, and can fit around work and looking after children!

You can help by using the right service at the right time. It will also mean you will get the help you need for you and your family as quickly as possible.

A fully accessible version of the booklet is also [available to download and view on our website](#).

Our primary care booklet is a handy reference guide intended to give an overview of primary care health services and help families get the care they need from the right people, in the right place, at the right time. It's a busy time of year for all the bugs, coughs and colds at the moment so hopefully good timing for families! Winter is also a time of year when NHS services come under increased pressure so it would be a big help if you could share this families in your area.

This publication covers GP practices, local community pharmacies, high street opticians and dental practices - the day-to-day healthcare that's available close to where people live. These services are all about preventing illness, diagnosing health problems, helping to manage long term conditions, and treating health concerns that don't need hospital care.

Our primary care booklet tells people all they need to know about primary care services – including some things that members of the public may not be familiar with, including:

- The new features on the NHS app
- The new pharmacy first offer
- Help with prescription costs
- Urgent dental and eyecare services – available at evenings and weekends



Your Pharmacy

Pharmacists (or chemists) are healthcare professionals who can give expert advice on minor health problems and illnesses. They can also recommend over-the-counter medicines (medicines you can buy without a prescription).

You don't need an appointment to see a pharmacist and many are open late and at weekends. Most have a private consultation room. If needed, they'll recommend seeing another healthcare professional. They can also help with questions about medication and make sure you're taking it correctly.

Some of the things pharmacists can help with:

- Coughs, colds and sore throats
- Tummy upsets
- Aches and pains
- Skin rashes
- Baby teething
- Nappy rash
- Emergency contraception (not provided by all pharmacies)
- Free blood pressure checks



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Keeping your children happy, healthy and well this winter.

Children are especially vulnerable to catching and spreading the flu, which can sometimes lead to serious complications like pneumonia.

The free flu vaccine is the safest and most effective way to protect your child. By vaccinating your child you're also helping to protect other family members, particularly those at higher risk of severe illness, such as younger babies and grandparents. Flu can change each year so it's important that even if your child was vaccinated last year, that they are vaccinated again this year.

School aged children (from Reception to Year 11) are given the flu vaccine as a quick and painless nasal spray at school. You will receive information from IntraHealth about when your child will be vaccinated and a consent form to sign.

The nasal flu vaccine contains a form of gelatine (porcine gelatine). If you prefer a vaccine without gelatine, an injectable option is available. Make sure you tick this option on your consent form. This injection may also be more suitable for children with allergies or other medical conditions. If your child misses their vaccination at school, you can call IntraHealth on 0333 3583 397 to arrange an appointment.

Children who are home-schooled should be offered a flu vaccine at a community clinic. Children who are 4 years old but have not started school can get the flu vaccine at their GP practice.

COVID-19

Children and young people with certain long-term health conditions, or who are immunosuppressed, may also need a COVID-19 vaccination. They are at higher risk of serious illness and hospital admission if they catch COVID-19. Vaccination reduces this risk. COVID-19 vaccinations are not given at schools. If you think your child is eligible for the vaccination, please call the Care Gateway on **0161 947 0770** or **0800 092 4020**.

Vaccines are important all year round

Vaccines are the most effective way to prevent many infectious diseases. The timeline overleaf shows the vaccines your child should have once they are at school and when.

Are you up-to date?

Check their Red Book or contact your GP practice if you're not sure. It's important that vaccines are given on time but it's never too late to catch up on missed doses.

All school aged children should have already received 2 doses of MMR – if they haven't please contact your GP or school immunisation team.

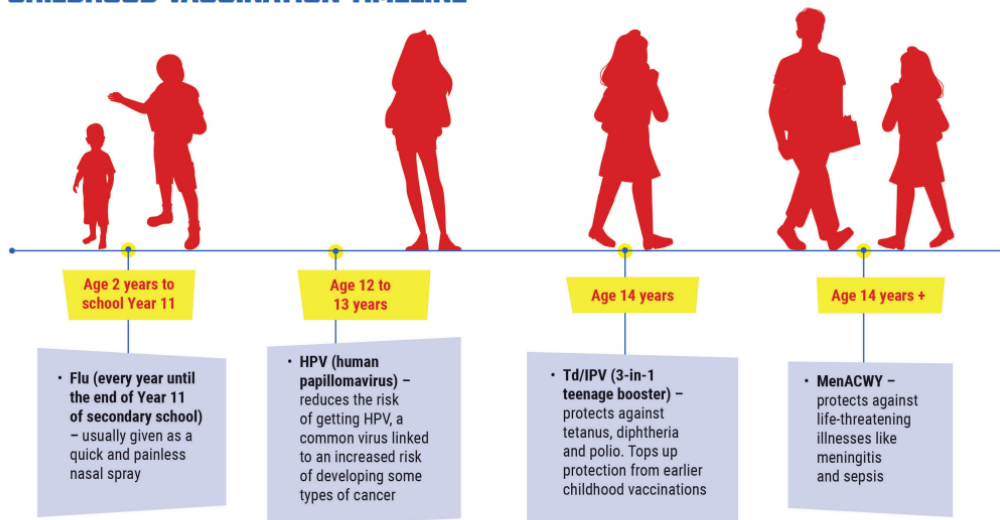
For more information on childhood vaccinations, go to: www.nhs.uk/vaccinations/nhs-vaccinations-and-when-to-have-them

GET WINTER STRONG



Keeping your children happy, healthy and well this winter.

CHILDHOOD VACCINATION TIMELINE



For more information on winter vaccines:

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Search: NHS GM winter vax
Visit: www.gmintegratedcare.org.uk/winter-vaccinations



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COMMUNITY TRUST



CALLING ALL STREET DANCERS!

Westfield Community School WN5 9XN
FREE DANCE SESSIONS STARTING
THURSDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 2024



5.15pm-6.15pm ages 8-11 (year 3- year 6)
6.15pm-7.15pm ages 11-16 (year 7-year 11)

Use the QR code to register a place on the first session or email r.wood@wiganathletic.com for further information



Polite Notice

Can we please remind you that it is illegal to park on the pavement or grassed areas at the entrance or exit to the school and doing this is putting our parents and children at danger.



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PREMIER LEAGUE KICKS

WIGAN ATHLETIC | 2024/25 TIMETABLE
FREE SESSIONS FOR 8 - 18 YEAR OLDS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
EVERMOOR HUB WN8 9HR MIXED FOOTBALL: 6:00 - 8:00pm (8 - 14 years old)	WIGAN YOUTH ZONE WN1 1RU GIRLS' FOOTBALL: 6:00 - 7:45pm (8 - 11 years old)	LAITHWAITE PARK WN5 OUE GIRLS' FOOTBALL: 5:30 - 6:30pm (12 - 18 years old)	TANHOUSE COMMUNITY CENTRE WN8 6AN JUNIOR FOOTBALL: 6:00 - 7:00pm (8 - 11 years old)	STADIUM WAY WN5 OUN SENIOR FOOTBALL: 6:00 - 8:00pm (11 - 16 years old)
LEIGH YOUTH HUB WN7 4JY JUNIOR FOOTBALL: 5:00 - 6:00PM (8 - 11 years old)	JUNIOR FOOTBALL: 6:15 - 7:15pm (8 - 11 years old)	JUNIOR FOOTBALL: 5:30 - 6:30pm (8 - 11 years old)	SENIOR FOOTBALL: 7:00 - 8:00pm (12 - 16 years old)	WESTLEIGH HIGH SCHOOL WN7 5NL SENIOR FOOTBALL: 6:00 - 7:00pm (11 - 16 years old)
HOWE BRIDGE LEISURE CENTRE M46 OPJ SENIOR FOOTBALL: 5:00 - 7:00PM (11 - 16 years old)	WILLIAM FOSTERS WN2 2BU JUNIOR FOOTBALL: 5:30 - 6:30pm (8 - 11 years old)	INCLUSIVE FOOTBALL: 5:30 - 6:30pm (11 - 17 years old)	WESTFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL WN5 9XN JUNIOR DANCE: 5:15 - 6:15pm (8 - 11 years old)	WEST LANC YOUTH ZONE FOOTBALL AND MULTISPORTS: 6:00 - 8:00pm (11 - 16 years old)
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Please remind your child not to ride their bikes on the playground.

Thank you