



Parent queries can be emailed in to parents@westoverprimary.co.uk

Be Safe, Be Ready, Be Respectful



Commander Kindness



Lady Resilience



Captain Creativity



Doctor Resourcefulness

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Our target is **96%** or more for attendance. We aim for every child to arrive on time to help them settle and make the best progress. This is also less disruptive for the other children already in class.

Last week	Whole school	Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
%	95	97	98	89	95	97	96	96
No of lates	4	0	0	1	3	0	0	0

AWARDS

GOLD AWARD

One child is chosen each week from every class for upholding our school values of resilience, kindness, creativity and resourcefulness. Well done to last week's Gold Award Winners!



Dolphins – Cory
Penguins – Eden
Seals – Rayyan
Sea Otters – Franklin
Sharks – Maddison



Photo by Niamh

SILVER AWARD

We've seen lots of children this week who've popped in to share lovely work or good news! It's fantastic to see the work being shared from across all curriculum areas. Well done to everyone!

These children will be celebrated in assembly each Monday.

Starfish – Vinnie, Benji

Pufferfish – Abdullahi, Frances, Millie, Audrey

Dolphins – Louis, Cory, Kadee, Henry, Lawan, Eden, Roman, Lola, Wyatt, Ruby, Isabella, Olivia, Lenni, Ayla-Ray

Penguins – Patsy, Mariana, Summer, Finley

Seals – Theo, Willow W, George, Henry, Willow H, Noah, Youstina, Suzie, Chessy, Heidi, Jackson, Chessy, Alisi, Rio, Teddy, Alana, Rada, Arthur

Sea Otters – Franklin, Abel J, Olive, Iustin, Jake, Tom, Amelia, Ella, Ralph

Sharks – Bella, Ray, Dylan, Xander, Leo, Avana, Hudson, Esme, Ronni, Liddy B, Savana, Lydia P, Dexter, Ariana, Leighton

Turtles – Pearl, Coast, George, Alfie, Frank, Carys, Medina, Elias

BRONZE AWARD

Children upholding our school rules and values and or putting effort into their learning receive house points. The table below shows how well house teams are doing.

Mary Rose	Spinnaker	Warrior	Victory
383	554	478	555

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**2025/26**

Link to school calendar on the website [School Calendar - Westover Primary School](#)

Date	Event	Information
Tuesday 30 th September	Year 3 Trip to Butser Ancient Farm	Details sent
Thursday 2 nd October	Census Day Change of Dinner Menu	See poster below
Wednesday 8 th October	Harvest Festival Children only	Donations gratefully received for The Pantry
Friday 10 th October	Inset Day	School & Pre-School closed to children
Monday 13 th October – Friday 17 th October	Year 5 Bikability	Details sent
Tuesday 14 th October	Year 1 Exit Point 2.30pm	Parents/Carers welcome
Wednesday 15 th October	Year 2 Exit Point 2.30pm	Parents/Carers welcome
Thursday 16 th October	Year 3 Exit Point 2.30pm	Parents/Carers welcome
Thursday 16 th October	Year 4 Exit Point 2.30pm	Parents/Carers welcome
Friday 17 th October	Year 6 Exit Point 2.30pm	Parents/Carers welcome
Tuesday 21 st October	Year R Exit Point 2.30pm	Parents/Carers welcome
Wednesday 22 nd October	Pre-School Exit Point 2pm	Parents/Carers welcome
Thursday 23 rd October	Individual School Photos	
Thursday 23 rd October	Year 5 Exit Point	Parents/Carers welcome

	2.30pm	
Monday 27 th October – Friday 31 st October	Half Term Holiday	School & Pre-School closed
Wednesday 5 th November	Parents Evening 3.30pm – 6pm	Details to follow
Wednesday 12 th November	Parents Evening 3.30pm – 6pm	Details to follow
Thursday 13 th November	PTA run Spooks and Sparkles Disco	Details to follow
Friday 14 th November	PTA bring a bottle/chocolate day	Details to follow
Thursday 27 th November	PTA Christmas Shop	Details to follow
Friday 28 th November	Inset Day	School & Pre-School closed to children
Friday 5 th December	Christmas Fayre	Details to follow
Tuesday 16 th December	Year 5 Exit Point 2.30pm	Parents/Carers welcome
Wednesday 17 th December	Years 2, 3 & 4 Carols at City Life Church	Parents/Carers welcome Details to follow
Thursday 18 th December	Year 6 Exit Point 2.30pm	Parents/Carers welcome
Friday 19 th December	Christmas dress up day	
Friday 19 th December	Snow White - whole School Pantomime (in school)	
Monday 22 nd December – Friday 2 nd January	Christmas Holidays	School & Pre-School closed
Monday 5 th January	Inset Day	School & Pre-School closed to children
Monday 16 th February – Friday 20 th February	Half Term	School & Pre-School closed
Friday 6 th March	Inset Day	School & Pre-School closed to children
Monday 30 th March – Friday 10 th April	Easter Holidays	School & Pre-School closed
Monday 4 th May	Bank Holiday	School & Pre-School closed
Friday 22 nd May	Inset Day	School & Pre-School closed to children
Monday 25 th May – Friday 29 th May	Half Term	School & Pre-School closed
Friday 3 rd July	Inset Day	School & Pre-School closed to children
Wednesday 22 nd July	Last Day of Term	Finish normal time 3.10pm

LEARNING UPDATE

Please note that learning updates will now only be published on our website. You will find them within the news and events tabs from the home page or click link below.

[Class Blogs - Westover Primary School](#)

After School Club

We have welcomed all our children back to after school club after the summer holidays. We've had lots of fun and paid special attention to getting all the children settled back into school. Please note we have changed our autumn/winter menu on a Friday from potato waffles to soup with a roll.

September's sensory play has been making dinosaur footprints in cloud sand, making playdough shapes and rescuing bugs from a leafy spider web made from fallen leaves. We have been outside to play basketball, and the children have enjoyed climbing on the trim trail. We have also collected fallen leaves, twigs and pinecones for crafting. The children have used these items to make some beautiful autumn wreaths. We have also used leaves and wax crayons to create some leaf rubbings. The children have planted some basil seeds; we are currently watching them grow on our kitchen windowsill. The children have made star bracelets, and we have done lots of 'getting to know our new children in pufferfish' with all about me activity sheets and colouring. We have played with our toy tools and wooden blocks to make a roleplay construction area. The children have also enjoyed the pop-up post-office roleplay.

We have had some fun in the hall with movement and dance, our favourite this month has been 'Danny Go' a fun way to get us all moving.

PE Day reminder

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Pufferfish (YR) Sharks (Y5) Turtles (Y6)	Dolphin (Y1) Seals (Y3) Sea Otters (Y4)	Penguins (Y2) Turtles (Y6)	Starfish (Pre-School) Pufferfish (YR) Seals (Y3) Sea Otters (Y4)	Dolphins (Y1) Penguins (Y2) Sharks (Y5)

Library Day reminder

Monday	Tuesday	Thursday	Friday
Pufferfish (YR) Sea Otters (Y4)	Dolphins (Y1)	Seals (Y3) Turtles (Y6)	Penguins (Y2) Sharks (Y5)

OTHER INFORMATION**Useful links from the Child Accident Prevention Trust**

Link to letting your child walk to school alone - tips on keeping them safe

[Walking to school alone: Preparing to make the journey safely](#)

Safety around windows, door and balconies

[Falls from open windows | Child Accident Prevention Trust](#)

Home trampolines - preventing falls

[How to prevent falls in children | Falls safety tips for families](#)

Baby sleeping bag warning

[10 baby products that could pose a serious safety risk](#)

Emergency contact and medication

Please make sure you let the school office know if your address, phone number or your child's medication changes, so we can keep our records up to date

Year 6

Please note the application process for secondary transfer 2026 opened on Monday 8 September 2025 at midday and the closing date for on-time applications to be received and considered is Friday 31 October 2025. Applications can be made online from midday on 8 September. The link to take applicants to for submitting applications is;

Apply to move to secondary school - Portsmouth City Council

My Child At School (MCAS) App

This is our main form of communication with parents/carers so please make sure you have your Push Notifications turned on, so you are alerted when there is an email or text.

Pre-school

We currently have some spaces available for 3-year-olds and upwards. You can use government finding. Please call the office to enquire or click the following link [Pre-School - Westover Primary School](#)

Wrap around care

Our breakfast and after school club are for Years R-6 providing care 7.30-6.00. Please book via MCAS App. These are becoming very popular so it is important you book and pay for your child's session as soon as you know you will need a space. We cannot guarantee a space will be available for last minute bookings. We will be looking to employ additional staff so we can increase numbers.

The Breakfast and After School Club policies are on our website. We require at least 24 hours notice to cancel a place or you will be charged the full cost of the space.

Please note we are now a cashless school.

Currently we are unable to offer wrap around care for pre-school children (Due to lack of take up and recruitment). This is being kept under review

Starting Reception in 2026


**WESTOVER PRIMARY AND
PRE-SCHOOL**

www.westoverprimary.co.uk



RECEPTION '26

WESTOVER

WELCOME TOURS

Is your child due to start school in September 2026?
We are doing welcome tours this half-term.

Applications through Portsmouth City Council from the 3rd November 2025.

WELCOME TOURS

Please contact the school office to arrange a tour with a member of the Senior Leadership Team.



"Pupils thrive at Westover"

OFSTED 2022

"Pupils, including children in early years, are absorbed in their learning."

OFSTED 2022

Contact Us:
Telephone: 023 9266 0178
Email: admin@westoverprimary.co.uk

Tour Dates**Monday 22nd September 9.15****Tuesday 30th September 9.30****Wednesday 1st October 9.15****Wednesday 8th October 10.45****Thursday 9th October 9.30****Monday 13th October 9.15****Tuesday 14th October 9.30****Wednesday 15th 9am****Thursday 16th October 9.30****Friday 17th October 9am****Monday 20th October 9am****Wednesday 22nd October 9.30****Thursday 23rd October 9am**



Census Day Menu

2nd October 2025

Build a Beef Burger

or

Build a Vegan Burger

Served with Chips

Baked beans and Sweetcorn

Vanilla Shortbread Fresh fruit or Yoghurt

Jacket potatoes will be available






**6
Weeks
£36**

**Westover Primary
Football After School Club**

Information:

- School Years 3-6
- 3:15 – 4:15pm
- 8th September to 20th October

Registration

Call us to book!
02392 728899

Advert for Half Term Holiday Club

Please note this is run by an outside agency and is not endorsed by Westover Primary School.

Hello,

Exciting news! PH Camps is hosting a brilliant multi-activity holiday camp **near you** this half-term!

Here's what you need to know:

- Our camps are for kids aged 4-14.
- We're fully Ofsted registered.
- Operating hours are between 8:00 am and 5:30 pm.
- We accept tax-free childcare and are childcare voucher registered.

Book now to receive a special **Early Booking 10% discount** – but hurry, the offer ends **SUNDAY 5th OCTOBER** at midnight!

For all the details about our camps, activities lined up, and how to secure your spot, head over to our [website](#). Check out our [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#) pages, and take a peek at the attached flyer as well!

We can't wait to see you there!

PORTSMOUTH HOLIDAY CAMP

PH CAMPS

New Horizons Primary School, Portsmouth
PO2 7JB

Monday 27th - Friday 31st October

Breakfast Club: 08:00 - 09:00
Camp Day: 09:00 - 15:00
Extended Club: 15:00 - 16:00
Extended Club: 15:00 - 17:30

Childcare vouchers & Tax-Free
Childcare payments are accepted.

BOOKINGS FROM £28.50

WWW.PHCAMPS.CO.UK
01225 701830
BOOKING@PHCAMPS.CO.UK

EARLY BIRD ENDS 5TH OCT

October Camps

PH CAMPS

Ofsted Registered

4-14 years

Early Bird Prices

	DAY	WEEK
Breakfast Club (08:00 - 09:00)	£5.00	£20.00
Day Booking (09:00-15:00)	£28.50	£128.25
Extended Club (15:00 - 16:00)	£5.00	£20.00
Extended Club (15:00 - 17:30)	£10.50	£42.00

BOOK NOW

www.phcamps.co.uk
01225 701830
bookings@phcamps.co.uk



Your School Nursing Service

Someone you know and can trust to discuss your child's health



Asthma

Immunisations

Growth

Allergies

Diet

Weight

Toileting

Sleep

We can also offer support and advice if your child has disabilities, long term illness or other health needs.

If we can't provide the help ourselves, we will connect you with someone who can.

How can I access my School Health Nurse?

Either speak to school for a referral or contact us on the details below.

Email: portsmouthschoolnursingservice@solent.nhs.uk
Telephone 0300 123 6629