



Parent queries can be emailed in to [parents@westoverprimary.co.uk](mailto: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
%	94	94	97	98	92	94	90	89
No of lates	16	0	2	1	7	5	1	0

## AWARDS

### 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** - Rupert

**Pufferfish** – Evie, Sophia, Millie

**Dolphins** – Alex, Nestor, Isabella, Ayla-Rae, Ernie, Wyatt, Lola, Keke, Ruby, Mirabel, Louis, Henry, Ryan

**Penguins** – Tilly, Spencer, Eden, Kayla-Lily, Jude, Finley, Imamah, Arla, Parker, Patsy, Isabelle,

**Seals** – Gabby, Theo, Arthur, Rio, Noah, Willow W, Rayyan, Jackson,

**Sea Otters** – Sofia, Harper C, Bear, Abel J, Franklin, Alicia, Amelia, Autumn, Tom, Dexter, George, Jax, Susie, Woody, Justin, Ralph, Delilah, Alani, Jessica, Jenson

**Sharks** – Hudson, Liddy, Leighton, Rosie, Dylan, Nifemi, Faith, Leo, Freddie, Charlotte, Ariana, Frankie, Dexter, Esme, Isla, Arabella, Bella, Lana, Lydia

**Turtles** – Zuzanna, Elias, Coast, Frank, Medina Raphael, Syra, Freddie

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**2025/26**

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

Date	Event	Information
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> January	Change of Lunch Menu for Census Day	See poster below
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>Year 6</b> Residential Meeting for Parents Straight after school in the Hall	3.30 in hall for parents – children welcome to come along and listen
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>Year 6</b> Trip to D-Day Museum	Letter sent
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Half Term	School & Pre-School closed
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	Infant Voices Festival	Details to follow
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	<b>Year R</b> visit from dentist to talk to class	
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Year 5</b> trip to Historic Dockyard	Letter sent
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Year 5 &amp; 6</b> to Fratton Park for world record attempt	Details to follow
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Inset Day	School & Pre-School closed to children

Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Infant Voices at the Guildhall Practice 9.30am to 11.30am	Details to follow
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Infant Voices at the Guildhall 5.30pm to 8pm	Details to follow
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Pre-Schl, Yr, Y1 &amp; Y2</b> Easter Parade	Children to make an Easter hat/object to carry around the parade at home and bring in.
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March – Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holidays	School & Pre-School closed
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday	School & Pre-School closed
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Inset Day	School & Pre-School closed to children
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	Half Term	School & Pre-School closed
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Year 4</b> Trip to Paulton's Park and Sleep Over at School	Details to follow
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Year 4</b> Trip to Andrew Simpson Watersports Centre	Details to follow
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Inset Day	School & Pre-School closed to children
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> 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](#)

You can also visit the school website and click on news and events tab then select class blogs.

## 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

[Libraries Consultation Survey](#)

The Library Service launched a consultation survey on 1<sup>st</sup> December asking residents to consider the draft strategy, mission and objectives for libraries in the city. We would be grateful for your support in sharing the survey with your school communities (parents and carers) using the link below.

[Libraries consultation Survey](#) - deadline date for responses 11<sup>th</sup> January.

#### **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

#### **Portsmouth Leisure Card**

The Portsmouth leisure card is available to residents who receive means-tested benefit within PO1 – PO6 areas (and some properties in PO7 qualify where these pay Council Tax to Portsmouth City Council). It gives you discounts on a range of culture and leisure services in the city. You can enjoy sports centres, swimming pools, golf, museums, city arts and Portsmouth Historic Dockyard when you show a valid leisure card for each adult/child.

[Portsmouth leisure card - Portsmouth City Council](#)

#### **Governors**

We welcome 3 new Governors to our team

Mr Rudkin

Mrs Donnelly

Mrs Flynn

#### **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](#)

Please see the attached letter on developing playtimes at Westover Primary School, working alongside OPAL. Here is the link and QR code to the online form that we would be grateful for all parents to complete

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdL-B2t4YwHBWSdQ0vEBYiXhKcy-pRTX8kGW7wGbSyFOliapA/viewform?usp=sharing&ouid=100979055099410916464>





## Census Day Carnival Menu 15th January

BBQ chicken Pizza

or

Cheese and tomato Pizza

Served with chips

Baked beans  
Sweetcorn






Iced vanilla sponge

Jacket potatoes with also be  
available

**CARNIVAL**





# S.A.F.E

(SUPPORT. AWARENESS. FAMILY. EMPOWERMENT)

## Event

**FEBRUARY**

**16**

**09:00 - 17:00**

**Priory School**

**PO4 0DL**

### WHAT IS A 'S.A.F.E' EVENT?

S.A.F.E IS PORTSMOUTH'S FIRST COMMUNITY EVENT, RUN BY ALL PARTS OF THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IN THE CITY ALONGSIDE THEIR COMMUNITY PARTNERS.

OUR AIM FOR THE EVENT IS TO MAKE OUR SERVICES MORE ACCESSIBLE TO YOUNG PEOPLE AND THEIR FAMILIES, AND INFORMATION MORE AVAILABLE TO THOSE SUPPORTING THEM.

THERE WILL BE A PROGRAMME OF WORKSHOPS AND PRESENTATIONS ON THROUGHOUT THE DAY.


IF YOU ARE A PARENT OR CARER LOOKING FOR INFORMATION THEN THIS EVENT IS FOR YOU!

### WHAT'S ON?

TALKS AND WORKSHOPS THAT YOU CAN ATTEND:

- NEURODIVERSITY AND PARENTING STRATEGIES
- SCHOOL AVOIDANCE AND ATTENDANCE CHALLENGES
- LOW MOOD AND ANXIETY
- EATING DIFFICULTIES
- MANAGING RISK
- PARENTING WORKSHOP

POP-UP BOOTHS FROM COMMUNITY PARTNERS AND SERVICES WILL BE AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE DAY



## Scan Here for FREE Tickets!



## 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](mailto:portsmouthschoolnursingservice@solent.nhs.uk)  
Telephone 0300 123 6629