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
%	96	94	98	96	97	93	97	97
No of lates	21	2	0	0	0	9	6	4

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 – Olivia

Penguins – Miller

Sea Otter – Sophia

Sharks – Harper

Turtle – Ozzy



Photo by Isla

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.

Pufferfish – Vivienne, Jacie-Leigh, Florence, Aaliyah, Aria, Noah, Tommy

Dolphins – Hugo, Oliver, Charlie

Penguins – Wyatt, Bodhi, Nestor, Ernie, Cory, Lawan, Hudson, Keke, Kadee, Alex, Mia, Roman, Wyatt, Lenni, Albert, Mia, Martha, Ida, Lola, Olivia, Ryan, Miller, Eden

Seals – Isabelle, Eden, Parker, Sara, Kayla, Suzie, Willow W, Flossie

Sea Otters – Arthur, Noah, Isabella, Jackson

Sharks – Abel R, Franklin, Bear, George, Sofia, Amelia, Olive

Turtles – Nifemi, Ray, Prim

2026/2027

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

Date	Event	Information
Thursday 22nd October	Inset Day	School & Pre-School closed to children
Friday 23rd October	Inset Day	School & Pre-School closed to children
Monday 26th - Friday 30th October	Half Term	School Closed
Tuesday 3rd November	Poppy Selling Starts	Year 6 selling in playground at playtimes
Thursday 12th November	MHST Parent Drop in 9am - 10am	Contact Office for an appointment
Thursday 12th November	MHST Coffee Morning 10.30am – 11.30am	Parents/Carers welcome See poster below
Friday 13th November	PTA Bring a Bottle Non-Uniform Day	Details to follow
Wednesday 18th November	Parents Evening	Details to follow
Monday 23rd November	School Nurse Clinic 9am – 12noon	Contact the Office for an appointment
Wednesday 25th November	Parents Evening	Details to follow
Thursday 26th November	PTA Christmas Shop	Details to follow
Friday 4th December	Santa Fun Run Fundraiser	Details to follow
Friday 4th December	PTA Christmas Fayre 3.10pm – 5pm	Details to follow
Monday 14th December	**Years R & 1** Nativity	Details to follow
Tuesday 15th December	Rocksteady Concert to parents 2.15pm	Details from Rocksteady
Wednesday 16th December	**Years R & 1** Nativity	Details to follow
Wednesday 16th December	**Pre-School** Christmas Exit Point 2.30pm	Parents/Carers Welcom
Friday 18th December	Pantomime visit	Children only
Monday 21st December – Friday 1st January	Christmas Holidays	School Closed
Monday 4th January	Inset Day	School & Pre-School closed to children
Monday 15th February – Friday 19th February	Half Term	School Closed
Thursday 25th March	Inset Day	School & Pre-School closed to children

Friday 26th March – Friday 9th April	Easter Holidays	School Closed
Friday 28th May	Inset Day	School & Pre-School closed to children
Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June	Half Term	School Closed
Friday 2nd July	Inset Day	School & Pre-School closed to children
Wednesday 21st 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

Harvest Festival

Thank you so much for your generous donations to our Harvest Festival collection. We were truly wowed by the amount we received. Some children and staff delivered them to City Life Church on Monday. They have an affiliation with a local food bank and will arrange onward transport.











Portsmouth CITY COUNCIL

Starting school September 2027

DON'T BE LATE

You **must** apply by **Friday 15 January 2027**

If your child was born between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023, they can start school in September 2027.

Apply for a school place online from **Monday 2 November 2026** until **Friday 15 January 2027** via our website:

www.portsmouth.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Don't be late – as this will affect your chances of a place at your preferred school.

Benefits of applying online

- It's quick, easy and secure
- You will receive a confirmation email once you have submitted your application
- You will have access to links to other useful information and websites
- You will receive an email notification with the outcome of your application, as well as being able to view the outcome online on allocation day
- Application will not go missing in the post

portsmouth.gov.uk

Y6 Transfer to Secondary School

The application process for secondary transfer 2026 opens on **Wednesday 9th September 2026** at midday. The closing date for on-time applications to be received is **Saturday 31 October 2026.**

Applications can be made online from midday on 9th September. The link to take applicants to for submitting applications is: Apply to move to secondary school | Portsmouth City Council

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.



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]



Teacher led Pre-School at Westover Primary



email:preschool@westoverprimary.co.uk
Call: 023 9266 0178

Our Pre-School.

We believe that every child deserves the best start to their eductaion, which is why our Pre-School is teacher led. All our staff are highly skilled and we look forward to warmly welcoming you to Westover.
Call the school to book an appointment to look around and meet the team.







Our Pre -School has its own room complete with an amazing outside space.
Play is at the centre of our learning, we follow your child's interest and use Development Matters to provide opportunities to build on previous skills and knowledge.
Our qualified inclusion leader is on hand to provide help to meet your child's need.

Sessions

Morning sessions: 8.30-11.30 (£18)
Lunch session: 11.30-12 (£2.50)
A hot meal can be ordered.
Afternoon session: 12.00-3.00 (£18)
Open for 3 year olds.
We accept 2 and 3-year-old funding.
Any self funded spaces are invoiced on a monthly basis.
Children do not need to be toilet trained to attend our setting.




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YOUR NEAREST HOLIDAY CLUB...
Venue: Westover Primary School
Dates: 26th - 29th October
Times: 0900 - 1500 (Extended hours offered 0800 - 1600)
Price: Starting from £25 per day
Ages: Ages 4 - 11
Additional info: October Half Term Holiday Camp
PLEASE BRING
Looking for something exciting this October half-term? Our multi-activity holiday clubs are packed with fun, energy, and variety for children of all ages!
Each day brings something new – from archery and fencing to dodgeball, cricket, and loads more. With a mix of sports, team games, and seasonal crafts, there's never a dull moment.
Book now for a half-term full of fun!
Download the Premier app
Book and change your child's clubs, manage your account – all in one place!
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Google Play


HAPPY
HALLOWEEN
Come and join us for our halloween market
St Joseph's Hall
Tangiers Road
12-4pm
Saturday 24th October
Dogs Welcome
Free Entry
Refreshments Area
HALLOWEEN MARKET
HELP US FIND THE LETTERS!
Look around the market stalls and find a letter on each one.
Once you have all the letters, spell the word to claim your free bag of sweets!
FREE
BAG OF SWEETS
for the children who spell the word!