

Westcourt Primary & Nursery School



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23rd May 2025

Dear Parents/ Carers,

This term has flown by with lots of activities going on.

Year 6 were fantastic during their SATs week, all working hard and showing fantastic resilience.

We had an amazing group of children who represented Westcourt well at the Paralympics. The children completed lots of amazing sports!, supporting and encouraging each other.

As you know, the school had an Ofsted inspection this week. However I am not allowed to comment on this until the official report is released. I will keep you all informed.

Please do keep an eye out for updates and messages on our new Arbor App. Through this, you will be sent updates on diary dates and events happening in school as we approach the end of the year, there will be lots of additional activities happening for children and we would not want anyone to miss out! Have a fantastic half term holiday and we will see everyone back in school on Monday 2nd June.

Miss Sexton - Head Teacher



After school clubs run termly and change each term.

At the start of every term a new timetable is generated. A message will be sent to

you via your Arbor parent app and will be sent out during our first week back to advise of when clubs are available to book onto. Clubs do not start until the second week of each term. Please remember that after school clubs finish at 4.15PM. We do not have any after school care provision so please ensure you are able to collect your child on time before booking them onto a club, as we can not facilitate children being left in school. If you are regularly late to collect, your child may lose their space on the club.

Our after school clubs are for your child to join in with the activities and should not be used as childcare.

The after school club timetable, showing dates and times for the term, is available on our website under;
<https://www.westcourt.kent.sch.uk/after-school-clubs/>

Our Breakfast Club runs Monday to Friday every week, during term time, from 8am. We also have an earlier start of 7.45am which is **ONLY** for working parents who need to use this service and have made prior arrangement.

The doors close at 8.15am and no child will be able to gain entry to Breakfast Club after this time. Please note that as school does not open until the gates are unlocked at 8.40am, children should not be left without an adult, if they are late for Breakfast Club.

Please be aware that our Breakfast club is a bookable service and children are unable to 'turn up' on the day, this is due to health and safety, including staff to children ratio.

We currently have a waiting list, so to keep your child's space on the club, they do have to attend at least once a week. If children do not attend for a whole week, we will remove them from the register and offer their space to the next child on the waiting list. This is to try and help as many families as we can. If you are aware that you will not need your child to attend club for a whole week, please let Karen know in advance, to stop this from happening.

Please be aware that this club is chargeable, unless you are entitled to Free School Meals (not the Universal Free School Meal for all children in Year R to 2) and the cost of attending is £2.40 per child per day for 8am start or £3.00 per child per day for the earlier start.

Payment must be made daily for attendance or weekly/termly in advance. We can not run the club with arrears and your child will not be able to continue attending if arrears are on their account. All payments are to be made through your School Money online account and you will be able to see the days they are attending under 'History' on your online account.

If you have any queries or questions regarding Breakfast Club, please speak to Karen in the office.





Half term is from Monday 26th to Friday 30th May, children do not attend this week.

We return to school on Monday 2nd June. Have a lovely half term break.

Year 6 are currently selling ice poles at the end of the school day, to raise money so they can run the summer fair and to help with their leavers trip. Ice poles are priced at 50p each and you can purchase these inside the school gates after school.



Thursday 5th June Italy class to Forest School, morning session

Thursday 5th June Year 5 parents meeting for 11 plus in Foxes Den at 2.30pm, enter through early years gate

Tuesday 10th June Summer Fair from 3.15pm

Tuesday 17th June Kenya class trip to Jeskins

Monday 23rd June Theatre production in school (children)

Monday 30th June Reception class to year 6: Parents reading in class with children from 2.30pm, enter via classroom door

Tuesday 1st July Summer activity and family picnic from 12.30pm

Tuesday 8th July Annual reports to parents / carers
Year 6 parents/carers production (more details to follow)

Friday 11th July Rocksteady concert

Weds 16th July Year 6 leavers assembly (more details to follow)

Thursday 17th July Year 6 trip out (more details to follow)

Friday 18th is last day of term, 2.15pm finish

<https://www.westcourt.kent.sch.uk/school-notices/>



If you would like to know the school lunches for each week, please look on our website where you can see all the menus for the term. You will find these under;

<https://www.westcourt.kent.sch.uk/dinners-free-school-meals-food-vouchers-holiday-ac/>



As the weather is getting warmer, please can your child have a water bottle in school, which can be refilled during the day to keep them cool and hydrated. It would be helpful if these could have names on them as children leave them all over the school and without names it is very difficult to return missing bottles to children. Any unnamed bottles are taken to lost property which is brought outside the office every Friday, morning and afternoons.



Sun cream should be applied on your child before they arrive to school in the morning. Children also need a hat, with their name on, to wear at playtimes, especially Early Years, as the children in Nursery and Reception class spend a lot of time outside throughout the day.

Many thanks for your continued cooperation.



Please can we remind all parents of children in years 3 to 6, that if your child has a school meal and you have to pay for them, that these are paid for daily. If there are arrears on your child's dinner account, in line with our Debt Policy, further meals will not be given until the account is clear. Non payment for school meals affects the quality of service we can offer to all the children in school, therefore, we need to ensure that payments are up to date as we can not have arrears.

You are able to add money onto your child's School Money online account and this will reduce every time a meal is taken. You can then check on your online account, under 'History' to see when your child has had a school meal. Please contact the school office if you have any queries with any payment issues as registers are taken in class in the morning and sometimes children get confused if they regularly change their lunch requirement.

As we are a cashless school, all payments are to be made using your School Money online account, unless you are bringing cash in for buying ice poles, for the summer fair or your child has been asked to bring cash in for charity events. If you have any queries, please ring the school office.

Thank you for your continued support.

