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WESTFIELD WEEKLY NEWS

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Our termly focus values are
Determination & Perseverance



Sign of the week



wind

Dr Goodwin's Clinics

Our school paediatrician, Dr Goodwin, will be holding clinics at Westfield School on the following Fridays throughout this year:
10th & 24th March
and **12th May**.

Herefordshire pupils should already have received their appointment letters. If you are unable to keep your appointment, please contact the Child Development Centre as far in advance as possible.

Class Attendance

The weeks high attenders are
Fox Class with 100%
Well done!!



Medicines in school

We are one of very few schools who will administer medicine during the school day due to the number of students prescribed certain life-improving medication.



This can only occur following the completion of an agreed permission form, which is updated regularly.

We will also administer certain over-the counter medicines such as Paracetamol or Ibuprofen, when requested, but would ask that parents send in clearly labelled bottles, and not rely on school stock, which is kept for emergency use only.

School dinner orders

Don't forget to order your child's school lunches for after half term. It is easy to overlook this, especially following a week off.



Herefordshire Council concessionary bus passes

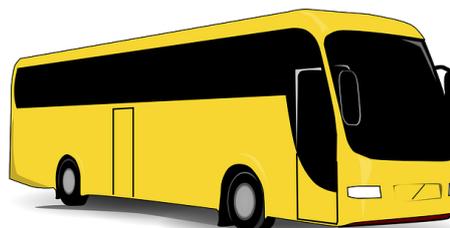
Herefordshire Council offers some residents free travel on local bus services. Free bus travel with these passes is available between 9.30am and 11pm on Monday to Friday, and all day on Saturdays, Sundays and bank holidays. You can travel:

- Across Herefordshire and the rest of England
- Between Herefordshire and places in Wales, provided that each bus journey starts or finishes in Herefordshire
- Between Presteigne and Knighton in Powys

Disabled person's bus passes are only available to Herefordshire residents of bus fare paying age (five years old +) who either have a permanent disability or a disability that is expected to last at least 12 months. Before starting your application, you can check that you qualify for any one of the eligibility categories of disability issued by the Department for Transport.

Any Herefordshire resident who qualifies for a disabled person's bus pass on the grounds of disability, and because of that disability is unable to travel on a bus without the assistance of another person, can also apply for a companion pass.

Applying online is the quickest way of applying. Log onto the Herefordshire Council website, click on the 'Travel and Transport' box, then 'Public Transport' Bus passes.



Hanni and the Magic Window



Safer Internet Day

To highlight this week's safer internet day, we listened to a story in assembly about Hanni, who had a 'magic window', which could show some wonderful scenery and activities, but also could also show some not such pleasant things.

We discussed how our gadgets can bring us much joy, but that, if we see something that troubles us, we must tell someone.

Each class then had visits from PC Jo, who showed us other ways we could keep safe.





TALK COMMUNITY

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Families across Herefordshire can enjoy a fantastic value-swimming offer this February half term, with family swims for a fiver! Have fun, get fit, splash water, spend time with family.

The swim sessions are available at Hereford Leisure Pool, Ross Swimming Pool, Ledbury Swimming Pool and Leominster Leisure Centre from Monday 20 to Sunday 26 February.

Up to two adults and four children will be entitled to their visit for just £5. Families can go to as many sessions as they want (subject to availability). The sessions aren't suitable for lone swimmers and all children must be joined in the water with an adult 16+.

Families don't need to book, but sessions are subject to availability. To secure a space, pop into your local Halo swimming pool or call 01432 842075.

For information and Halo terms and conditions, visit the [Talk Community Directory website](#).



The University of Cambridge is inviting parents and carers to take part in a short online survey as part of the research looking at appetite types in primary school children.

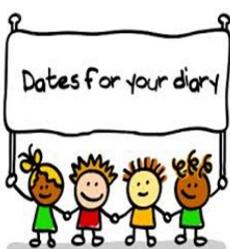
The online survey asks about a child's typical eating behaviour and requests for food during a number of different situations, e.g. during and between meals.

The collected data will be anonymous and held securely. The findings of the survey will help health professionals to identify and support children with unusually high or low appetites and to create new guidance on healthy patterns of eating and weight gain.

For more information and to take part in the survey, please visit the [AppeTypes page](#) on the University of Cambridge website.

Diary Dates: Spring Term

Half Term: Monday 20th—Friday 24th February 2023



Thursday 2nd March- World Book day

Monday 6th March—Y9 DTP vaccines

Monday 20th March — School Photographs

Wednesday 29th March—M&M Productions Alice In Wonderland

Easter Holidays: Monday 3rd - Friday 14th April 2023



Dŵr Cymru
Welsh Water

You could
save up to £230
on your annual
water bill.

Support for families

With half term approaching, we know some families may be worried how they will afford daily essentials, as well as providing meals for their children who are off school.

Did you know?

Families who receive the pupil development grant and are in receipt of a means tested or disability benefit may also be entitled to help towards their water bills.



We're here
to help

Call us to talk through
your options:

0800 052 0145

Visit us online for
more information:

dwrcymru.com/supportwithbills

