

Westbury Termly Times

*Welcome to the Autumn edition of
our newsletter*

The term has been extremely purposeful. The highlights during the seven weeks certainly reflect our values-the 5C's (curiosity, confidence, challenge, creativity and character).

I would like to thank all of our pupils and staff for their hard work during the seven weeks and I wish you all a peaceful time together over the Christmas period. On behalf of all the staff, I look forward to seeing all our pupils return to school on **Monday 6th January 2025**.

Warm regards, Lee Morgan (Academy Principal)

Children in Need

Years three and four delighted residents at Seagrave Court Elderly Living Home with a day of fun and friendship. The pupils played puzzle games, jigsaws, shared stories, and enjoyed cakes and squash with the residents, fostering intergenerational connection.

A highlight of the visit was meeting a 96-year-old who captivated everyone with her tales of yesteryear. The event brought joy to young and old alike, leaving smiles all around. *"It was wonderful to see the children and hear their laughter,"* said one resident.



Freedom Foundation

The Freedom Foundation are back again to work with pupils in years five, six, seven and eight, teaching them about music and dance.

This time they were joined by Notts TV to the delight of pupils. If you missed it on TV, you can re- watch it on YouTube.

Tropical Bird Land

Year nine pupils visited Tropical Bird Land in Leicester to gather data and support their art topic. Pupils have been studying the style of local artist Lucy Stevens. Despite the weather being less than tropical, the birds were out and friendly enough to say hello. However, one or two were a little too cheeky and tried to pinch zips and buttons off of the pupils' coats!



Curriculum Corridor Corner

Years 3 and 4



Pupils discussed the reasons we celebrate Remembrance Day and made a lovely display.

Broadening our knowledge, we learned about other religions, such as the Hindu Festival of Light (Diwali). We made lamps and Rangoli Patterns.



Years 5 and 6

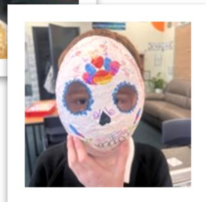
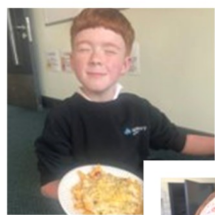
Pupils had lots of fun at break time playing in the snow and making snow men with the teachers and other pupils.

Pupils were also lucky enough to have the opportunity to watch the Nottingham Panthers train, get autographs and have pictures with them, whilst also being able to get onto the ice themselves.



Year 7

Pupils have learnt about Mexico. Pupils made and tried Mexican food, (Aguas frescas) and created traditional Mexican masks that are typically seen at the 'Day of the Dead' festivals.



Year 8

Year 8 pupils had an exciting Autumn term! They explored historic warplanes at the RAF Museum Cosford.



As part of the Challenge Curriculum, they embarked on teamwork-building trips to local parks - Bramcote, Wollaton, and Holme Pierrepont, and gained essential First Aid skills, including CPR, using a defibrillator, and the recovery position.

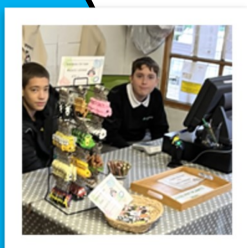


Years 9,10 and 11

Pupils continued their work experience at Stonebridge City Farm, working either on the farm or in the farm shop. This opportunity has led to some pupils volunteering at the weekends, offering support to their local communities.

Year 10 and 11 pupils had the opportunity to enter a cooking competition, competing against other schools within the Trust. In the first round of the competition, pupils had to plan a meal for two people for under £5.

Two of our pupils successfully made it through to the next round. Well done guys!





News and events from around our school

Halloween and Bonfire Night

Our pupils have been embracing the season with a flurry of creative autumn craft projects! Using wool and collected fallen leaves, they crafted stunning tree pictures, celebrating the vibrant colours of autumn. The fun didn't stop there—glitter and black card turned into dazzling fireworks as pupils recreated the excitement of Bonfire Night.

These activities have sparked creativity and teamwork, helping pupils explore nature and art in unique ways. From woolly branches to sparkling skies, their projects have brightened up our classrooms and hallways.

We're so proud of their fantastic efforts and look forward to more curiosity and creation of seasonal crafts in the New Year.



School Council

We are thrilled to announce the launch of our new Student School Council!

This journey began with PSHE lessons, where pupils explored the importance of having a student council and the role it plays in giving students a voice.

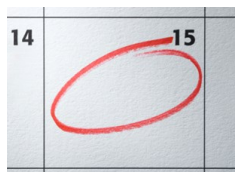
One of the first jobs of the School Council was to design a Student Council badge, which will help everyone in school identify council members easily and approach them with ideas and suggestions.



Christmas Fair

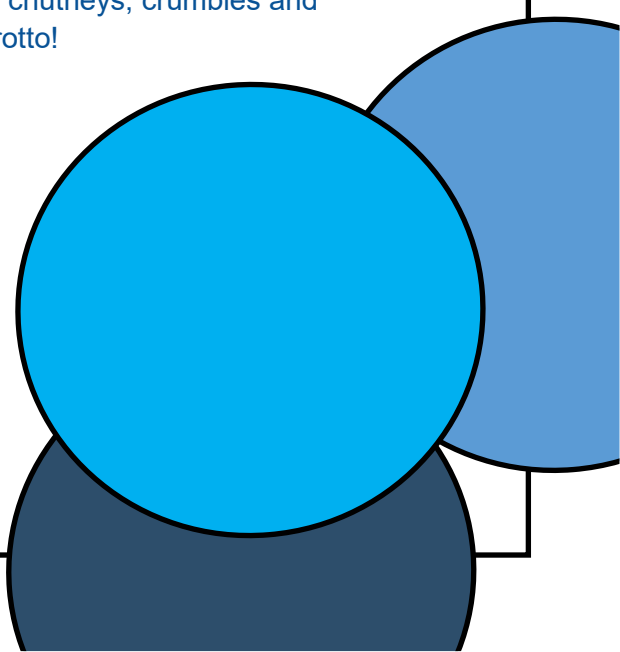
This year the Christmas fair will be held on the **18th December**. Doors open at **1.30pm**. Parents and carers are welcome!

On sale will be a selection of yummy cakes, chutneys, crumbles and much more. Santa will also be here in his grotto!



Diary Dates:

- 23rd December — 3rd January Christmas Break
- 14th February — Inset Day
- 17th – 21st February — Half Term
- 19th March — Coffee Morning





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Westbury Academy's Christmas Fair 2024

Wednesday 18th December 2024

Families welcome!

Doors open at 1:30pm

Guess the weight of the cake

Cakes

Tree ornaments

Candles

Fruit Crumble

Chutneys

Santa's Grotto

And so much more.....

