



West End Academy

Regent Street, Hemsworth
Pontefract WF9 4QJ

T: 01977 616732

E: westendadmin@watertonacademytrust.org
www.west-endacademy.org

Headteacher: Chris Johnson

Friday 6th October 2023

School Development Plan

The new school development plan is now ready for you to read on our website. You can find the plan under the section "Our Academy". The plan includes our key priorities for this year and we recommend that you know about them. We have already started some of the actions in the plan. We will continue to work hard to put the rest of the actions into place. I will update you throughout the year on our progress as we aim to achieve all our key priorities.

Harvest Festival

Thank you to all the parents who brought in food and donations for our Harvest Assembly last week. We have delivered a food parcels to Westfield Centre Food Bank and Ashfield House Sheltered Accommodation. Both were very grateful for all the food!

Top Team

Last week, the children in our Top Team have started their jobs. I have been impressed with their responsible and mature attitude around school this week. I have already seen lots of examples of the Top Team supporting our younger children. Some of them have told me how much they enjoyed reading to an older child. I also enjoyed watching the new play leaders learning our children in key stage 1 some games. Please keep up the fantastic work!

Attendance

The table below shows the attendance for each class last week. Well done to years 3 and 6 for having an attendance of more than 98% last week! Each week, our whole-school attendance should be at least 96%.

Upper Foundation	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School
96.1%	92.7%	97.9%	98.3%	93.8%	97.2%	98.3%	96.3%

Word of the Month

We must allow our children to learn and use new words. Each month, we introduce our children to a new word that is displayed in the classroom. Below, you will find the word of the month for each class in October:

- Year 1 - brief
- Year 2 - thud
- Year 3 - plunder
- Year 4 - remorseless
- Year 5 - commotion
- Year 6 - desolate

We hope that our children can soon tell each other what the word means, use it correctly in their work and spell it correctly in their writing. Please encourage your child to use the word of the month at home.

Thank you for your continued support

Yours sincerely,

Mr C Johnson
Headteacher