



Westfield Nursery School

'How is my child getting on?'

Introduction

At Westfield Nursery School we believe that parents are a child's first and enduring teachers. They play a crucial role in helping their children learn. Where parents are involved with their children's education and learning both at home and in partnership with the school, their children do better and achieve more. These benefits can be long-lasting and extend to better health, relationships and improved employment prospects.

Benefits of Parental Partnership

The benefits for the children are:

- ✓ It is easier for children to learn when they get encouragement from home.
- ✓ They will do better and achieve more when their parents are involved.
- ✓ Children get access to more activities in and out of school when there are more adults to help.
- ✓ Their concerns can be sorted out more quickly when their parents have a positive relationship with school staff.
- ✓ They are happy when their parents are enjoying events in the school.

The benefits for parents are:

- ✓ Their children do better when they are involved.
- ✓ They are better able to help and encourage their children.
- ✓ They have more information about their children's education.
- ✓ Parents can build their own confidence and skills.
- ✓ Where there is a positive relationship between parents and their child's school there are benefits all round.
- ✓ Parents get reassurance that their children are receiving a good education.





Daily

Each day as you either drop or collect your child please pass on any relevant information regarding your child's welfare. (For example, any changes in circumstances at home or whether they had a late night.) This helps us ensure we look after your child appropriately.

If you require a longer time to talk to a member of staff, please make an appointment. We do want to talk to you but at the beginning of each session there are a lot of children who need our attention, so making an appointment ensures we have the time and quiet space to talk properly.

Consultation and Work Sharing

Each term there is the opportunity to see your child's class teacher during a consultation appointment. These appointments allow more time to explain to you how your child has settled and discuss what they are achieving and their progress.



At each consultation you will be shown your child's learning journey. The children are rightly proud of what they have achieved and enjoy sharing and discussing what they have learnt. This is very important as it allows your child to revisit their learning which is a great way of helping to embed it. It is also a very good way of raising your child's self-esteem. You may take this home to share with family and friends, but we ask that you return it as soon as possible so that we can continue adding to it.

Should you require a longer appointment to discuss any specific concerns, please make another appointment as this can make the parents still waiting to see staff have to wait for unreasonable lengths of time.

There is also the opportunity to talk to Mrs Collins (Head teacher) or Mrs Andrews (SENDCo), just book an appointment.

Newsletters

We send regular newsletters to inform you what children have been learning as well as sharing information about what children can do at home, special days or events, other health and safety information and community events.



Other Communication Channels

If you need to please call on telephone number- 01582 608650. You can talk to office staff or ask to speak to classroom staff.



You can also communicate via our emails.
For absences, please email
Office- office@westfieldnurseryschool.org

To communicate with teaching staff, for example to share home learning please email the class emails

Bumblebees- bumblebees@westfieldnurseryschool.org

Dragonflies- dragonflies@westfieldnurseryschool.org

Ladybirds- ladybirds@westfieldnurseryschool.org

Caterpillars- caterpillars@westfieldnurseryschool.org

Butterflies- butterflies@westfieldnurseryschool.org

Stay and Play Days

During the year we hold a number of 'Stay and Play Days' to help keep you informed about the curriculum and what and how your child will be learning. (NB Main Nursery only, not in Bumble Bees)



Special Educational Needs and Disabilities:

If your child has any particular medical, learning, physical or behavioural needs talk to a staff member. We may implement a Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Plan (SEND). They are written and reviewed with parents/ carers and explain the strategies the school will use to support a child.

