



West Byfleet Junior School

6 March 2026



Headteacher's Message

Introducing our new school tagline...

After much discussion and a school wide vote, we have decided on our school tagline going forwards:



Strong Foundations, Ready to Fly

The links to the new logo are hopefully really clear, with the rock (which represents our AROCK school values of aspiration, resilience, opportunity, creativity and kindness) being the strong foundation, and the kingfisher itself representing the children, ready to take off and fly when the time is right.

It has to be more than just words of course, we really do have to focus on building strong foundations—teaching children key knowledge and making sure they remember it, teaching key skills through regular practice and supporting those who find it more difficult until they catch up, and helping children to be kind and well-rounded young people.

If our children can read well, communicate effectively verbally or in writing, work well with numbers, understand the world through the lens of all the different important subjects that we teach, and learn important personal values and skills, they should indeed be completely ready to fly as they move through the year groups and on to secondary school!

A fond farewell to our chicks

We have loved seeing our chicks hatch and grow over the last two weeks, and the children really enjoyed the opportunity to handle them and learn how to care for them. The females have gone to live with Mrs Thomson and we look forward to some eggs from them in the future! The males have gone to live with Mrs Newman, who is an experienced chicken keeper. The chicks brought a lovely sense of wonder and fun to our school, and I hope you enjoyed meeting them on parents evening!



Great to see you all!

Thank you for attending our parents evenings this week—it was lovely speaking to so many of you about your children. I especially enjoyed looking at the children's work with some of you and comparing the standard of children's work compared to September: there was so much progress! I often remind children that the consistent effort they make pays off over time, and it's important to look back sometimes to see just how far you've come.

Kind Regards
Ben Wasserberg
Headteacher

Diary Reminders & Updates

Friday 6 March 2026

Please check each newsletter as dates are occasionally subject to change

Mon 9 Mar	Y6 Trip to Buddhist Temple (Windermere - half class)	09:15-11:30
Tue 10 Mar	Y4 and Y5 to Fullbrook to watch Production of Oliver	09:00-13:00
Wed 11 Mar	Y4 Nightingale Swimming (session 8)	13:00-15:15
Thur 12 Mar	Y4 Nightingale Forest Schools (session 4)	13:15-15:15
Thur 12 Mar	Y5 Lonsdale Class Assembly (parents invited)	09:00-09:30
Thur 12 Mar	Y6 Trip to Buddhist Temple (Windermere - half class)	09:15-11:30
Fri 13 Mar	Full Governing Body Meeting	08:00-10:00
Fri 13 Mar	PTA Second Hand Uniform Sale—Playground	15:20-15:40
Mon 16 Mar	Y6 Trip to Buddhist Temple (Aviemore - half class)	09:5-11:30
Tue 17 Mar	Y6 Trip to Buddhist Temple (Aviemore - half class)	09:15-11:30
Wed 18 Mar	Y5 Curie Class Assembly (parents invited)	09:00-09:30
Wed 18 Mar	Y4 Nightingale Swimming (session 9)	13:00-15:15
Thur 19 Mar	Y4 Nightingale Forest Schools (session 5)	13:15-15:15
Thur 19 Mar	Y5 Taster Day at Bishop David Brown School	09:00-15:00
Fri 20 Mar	Y6 Trip to Buddhist Temple (Snowdon - half class)	09:15-11:30
Fri 20 Mar	Red Nose Day	
Fri 20 Mar	Y3 Trip to Littlehampton	08:15-15:15
Mon 23 Mar	Y6 Trip to Buddhist Temple (Snowdon - half class)	09:15-11:30
Tue 24 Mar	Y3/4 Easter Singing Service at St John's Church, West Byfleet	09:30-10:15
Tue 24 Mar	Y5/6 Easter Singing Service at St John's Church, West Byfleet	11:00-11:45
Tue 24 Mar	Science Expo—Parent invited to view	14:30-15:15
Wed 25 Mar	Y5 Franklin Class Assembly (parents invited)	09:00-09:30
Wed 25 Mar	PTA Easter Egg Hunt (in school)	
Wed 25 Mar	Y4 Nightingale Swimming (session 10)	13:00-15:15
Thur 26 Mar	Y4 Nightingale Forest Schools (session 6)	13:15-15:15
Thur 26 Mar	Y5 Visit to National Portrait & National Gallery, London	08:00-15:00
Fri 27 Mar	Last Day Spring Term, school finishes at 13:25	13:25
Mon 13 April	INSET DAY	
Tue 14 April	Summer Term starts	
Mon 20– Wed 22 Apr	Y5 Residential trip to Sayers Croft	
Wed 22 Apr	Y4 Nightingale Class Assembly	09:00-09:30
Wed 22 Apr	Y4 Darwin Swimming (session 1)	
Tue 29 Apr	Y4 Shakespeare Class Assembly (parents invited)	09:00-09:30
Wed 29 Apr	Y4 Darwin Swimming (session 2)	
Mon 4 May	Bank Holiday	
Tue 5-Wed 6 May	Y4 Residential trip to Marchants Hill	



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SCAN ME



Mothering Sunday SERVICE

Join us for a special community service for Mothering Sunday as we give thanks & remember all those who nurture and care for us

Sunday 15th March

Service starts at 10am

School Meals

Please remember to book your child's school meal in advance. The kitchen can not always provide extra meals as they cook to the number that we have provided first thing in the morning. You may wish to set alerts up on SCOPAY to remind you when credit is low on the account. Spring Term menu's are now available to view on the school website. Thank you for your co-operation.

Unauthorised Absence from School Notice

Just to remind parents/carers that if they take their children out of school without authority for 5 or more days (which do not have to be consecutive), then the following will apply:

1. If you have not incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children in a rolling 3 year period since 19 August 2024, then the penalty notice will be charged at the rate of £160.00, **per parent/carer per child**, if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80.00 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
2. If you have incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children since 19 August 2024, the rolling 3 year period will be activated from the date of the first penalty notice and the second penalty notice will be charged at the flat rate of 160.00, **per parent/carer per child**, if paid within 28 days. There will be no reduction for payment within 21 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
3. If you have incurred 2 penalty notices relating to this child/children in the rolling 3 year period since the first penalty notice was issued, then you will NOT receive a third penalty notice – Surrey County Council will have no option but to consider a prosecution, **per parent/carer per child**, in the Magistrates Court under s 444 Education Act 1996. Surrey County Council is not responsible for authorising pupil absence and therefore cannot withdraw any Penalty Notice requests without the written permission of the Headteacher



West Byfleet
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Parent Teacher
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INSET DAY DISCOUNT!

Monday 13th April

£22 Per ticket



Tickets available via PTA events website

THIS IS NOT A SCHOOL TRIP

**But a super opportunity for cheap tickets
on the INSET day and not a school organised event**

WWW.PTA-EVENTS.CO.UK/WESTBYFLEETJUNIORSCHOOLPTA

Spring Disco

**THURSDAY
19th MARCH**



YEAR 3 & 4 - 3.30-4.30pm

YEAR 5 & 6 - 5-6PM

£6.50 PER CHILD

Year 3&4 come straight from class, and can go to Wingbats or Discovery after

Year 5&6 come from home or from Discovery Club,

**TICKETS
AVAILABLE
NOW!**

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INSET DAY AT LEGOLAND!

Looking for something exciting to do on *Monday 13th April* (School INSET Day)

Why not treat the family to a magical day out at LEGOLAND Windsor! We're thrilled to offer discounted tickets at just £22 each, a brilliant saving of £10pp! Please note, this is not a school trip, but a fantastic opportunity for families to enjoy a day out together. Tickets are limited and are on sale.

Available on PTA Events: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/westbyfleetjuniorschoolpta> Get your tickets and look forward to a brilliant day of rides and LEGO fun!

Spring Disco Alert!

Get ready to groove at our Spring Disco on Thursday, 19th March!

Year 3 & 4: 3.30pm - 4.30pm

Year 5 & 6: 5.00pm - 6.00pm

Dancing, games and a tasty tuck shop await!

Tickets: £6.50

Available to buy NOW over at: www.pta-events.co.uk/westbyfleetjuniorschoolpta

Don't miss out on the fun – grab your ticket now!

WEST BYFLEET JUNIOR SCHOOL PTA

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE



JUMPERS | CARDIGANS | SHIRTS | POLO TOPS
TROUSERS | SKIRTS | SHORTS
RUCKSACKS | TIES

FRIDAY 13TH MARCH

3.20PM - JUNIOR PLAYGROUND

CARD & CASH ACCEPTED

Safety Notice - Madeira Road

In the interest of safety, we have been asked to make parents aware that in Madeira Road by houses numbered 22 to 30 the service road that runs parallel to the main road has a lot of vehicles using it so people need to be aware that road safety sense must be used there.

Pupils use this road as a cut through and don't realise that vehicles often turn into it at speed. The residents are aware that children run and scoot and cycle down this service road and are mindful driving there but delivery drivers for example often turn in at speed.

LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR

We are looking for additional lunchtime supervisors to join our team, to assist caring for children during their lunch break.

This role will involve you accompanying the children throughout the lunchtime period both in the dining hall and to play outside in the playground. You will support and encourage play activities with the other children. You will also attend to minor first aid incidents.

You will play a key role in influencing our children's social skills therefore it is essential you enjoy working with children, are a good role model and have an empathetic nature.

Days required: Monday – Friday (term time only), duty time: 11.45am – 1.15pm

Hours: 11.45 am – 1.15pm (7.5 hours per week)

Salary: Surrey PS1/2 £23,323 (pro rata & pay review April 2026)

Start Date: 14 April 2026

Closing date: 9 March 2026 9.00am

To apply, please contact the school office for either an electronic or paper application form, or apply using the Eteach form. CVs are not acceptable. <https://www.eteach.com/job/lunchtime-supervisor-1535767>

West Byfleet Junior School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening, including checks with past employers (references sought prior to interview) and the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS). We follow the statutory guidance from the Department for Education on Keeping Children Safe in Education and adhere to our school's safeguarding policy. As part of our safer recruitment process, we will also conduct online checks on shortlisted candidates, including social media, to identify any incidents or issues that may affect their suitability to work with children. Candidates will be informed of this in advance and will have the opportunity to discuss any concerns with us at the interview stage.