



Wesley Methodist Primary School



Weekly Newsletter: WC 6th October 2025

It has been another fantastic week here at Wesley, and I continue to be so proud of the way our children are embracing our *Habits for Learning* in everything they do. Across classrooms and around school, the children are demonstrating exactly what it means to be a *Wesley child* — showing kindness, respect, and a real commitment to giving their best at all times. Whether it's the way they move calmly and purposefully around school, the effort they put into their learning, or the pride they show in their work, it is clear that our shared expectations are being lived out every day. It is a joy to see such positive attitudes shining through, and I am grateful to staff and families for working together to help our children continue to flourish.



Worship

This week in worship, we have been exploring the value of *kindness* and what it truly means in our daily lives. Together, we discussed how kindness isn't just about the big gestures, but the small, thoughtful actions that can make a real difference to others. The children shared wonderful examples of how they can show kindness within school — by including others in their play, offering help when someone is struggling, or using kind words to brighten someone's day.

As we look ahead to November, we will be launching our '**14 Days of Kindness**' challenge, encouraging everyone to carry out simple acts of kindness that can bring a smile to those who need it most. Whether it's holding a door open, giving a compliment, or showing patience and understanding, these small actions can have a huge impact. The children spoke beautifully about how these values help make Wesley a happy, caring, and safe place for all. It was inspiring to hear them articulate how, by working together, we can continue to make kindness part of who we are as a school community.

Helping Hands at Harvest Time

This morning, children from across the school brought in their generous donations for our Harvest collection. Harvest is always a special time for us at Wesley, giving us the opportunity to give back to our community and support those who may be less fortunate. We were truly overwhelmed by the generosity shown by our families - a reflection of the kindness and compassion that define our school. Our Year 6 pupils proudly delivered the donations to the local food bank following our celebration assembly, where the gratitude from the team there was clear to see. Thank you to everyone for your kindness and continued support - it really does make a difference.



Together for Hello Yellow

On Friday, we celebrated Hello Yellow Day in school - a special event dedicated to raising awareness and showing support for children's mental health and wellbeing. It was wonderful to see the

school filled with bright splashes of yellow as all our children took part by wearing something yellow to school. Throughout the day, each class spent time exploring the importance of wellbeing and kindness through a range of thoughtful activities and discussions. We also took the opportunity to thank our wonderful parents and carers for their continued support this

academic year, offering a small gesture of appreciation with hot drinks and pastries after morning drop-off. It was a truly heart-warming day that celebrated positivity, togetherness, and the caring community we are so proud of at Wesley.



Online safety – what parents need to know about ‘parental controls’

At Wesley, we are committed to keeping all children safe online and helping them develop the skills to use technology responsibly.

This week’s focus is on **parental controls** - simple but effective tools that allow parents and carers to set appropriate boundaries on apps, games, and devices. The guidance explains how these controls work, why they are important, and how to use them to help your child enjoy the digital world safely. We encourage all parents to take a few minutes to read the advice and start a conversation at home about staying safe online.

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one issue of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

How to Set up PARENTAL CONTROLS for APPS iPhone

Apple devices come with built-in apps already available: Mail, FaceTime and Safari, for example. However, you can choose which apps and features appear on your child’s device and which ones don’t. You can also manipulate the features in Game Centre to enhance your child’s safety and privacy when playing games, as well as blocking iTunes or App Store purchases if you wish.

How to Restrict Built-in Apps/Features

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap Allowed Apps (you may need to toggle this to ‘on’ at the top)
- 5 Enable or disable the apps you wish to appear (or disappear) on your child’s device

How to Restrict Game Centre

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap Content Restrictions (you may need to switch the toggle at the top to the ‘on’ position)
- 5 Scroll down to Game Centre
- 6 Choose between Allow, Don’t Allow, or Allow with Friends Only in the settings for each feature

How to Restrict iTunes & App Store Purchases

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap iTunes & App Store Purchases
- 5 Select Allow or Don’t Allow for each feature (you can also lock these settings with a password)

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Learning, Friendships, and Fun – Be Here Every Day

At Wesley, we believe that excellent attendance is vital to every child's success and progress. Quite simply, the more time children spend in school, the more they learn, achieve, and grow. Good attendance not only supports academic progress but also helps children to build friendships and develop important social skills.

We celebrate attendance every week, with each class having the chance to earn money towards their end-of-year treat. This is a fun way to reward commitment and encourage everyone to play their part.

This term, we will be placing a strong focus on attendance and working closely with families to ensure that every child is in school every day, giving them the very best chance to shine.

Our attendance winners this week are: Year 6 Pankhurst with 99.2%



Class name	Average attendance this week
Reception Sissay	98.3%
Reception Neville	95.3%
Year 1 Peel	91.2%
Year 1/2 Wood	90.3%
Year 2 Rashford	95.7%
Year 3 Garvey	95.5%
Year 3/4 Walsh	92.4%
Year 4 Lowry	95.6%
Year 5 Boyle	94.6%
Year 5/6 Turing	95.1%
Year 6 Pankhurst	99.2%

WELL DONE!

Star Award

The following children received their Star Award this week:

Reception Neville: **Amber K**

Reception Sissay: **Archie B**

Year 1 Peel: **Noah C**

Year 1/2 Wood: **Ronni-Rae R-C**

Year 2 Rashford: **Olivia B**

Year 3 Garvey: **Cora G**

Year 3/4 Walsh: **Alyssia M**

Year 4 Lowry: **Daisy M-L**

Year 5 Boyle: **Albie W**

Year 5/6 Turing: **Roman C-D**

Year 6 Pankhurst: **Emilee-Bea H-H**

These children have done amazing:
"shining like stars with kindness".

Gold Award

The following children received their Gold Award this week:

Reception Neville: **Harry T**

Reception Sissay: **Violet F**

Year 1 Peel: **Lincoln S**

Year 1/2 Wood: **Matilda B**

Year 2 Rashford: **Sofia H**

Year 3 Garvey: **Jimi J**

Year 3/4 Walsh: **Noah P**

Year 4 Lowry: **Drew D**

Year 5 Boyle: **Kiera C**

Year 5/6 Turing: **Layland Mc**

Year 6 Pankhurst: **River-Leigh C-B**

Well done to all of these children – we are
so proud of you!

