# **Newsletter 2022**



December 2022



# **\*Winter\***



### Charity

A big we'll done to the staff and students for raising £1,122.39 for Children in Need! The winning tutor group of each year were:

7V2 8V1 9V1 10I2 11A2

To all of you who purchased some of Mr Roney's infamous badges - you helped raise £77.80 for Children in Need.

A huge thank you to all of the students who collected what they could for the Lord's Larder and for decorating the collection boxes - they look amazing!



### Food and Nutrition

Food Tech have been making Christmas Yule logs with year 10. Whisked sponge swiss roll, chocolate buttercream, all sprinkled with Christmas magic! They look delicious.



#### Maths

Westfield were 10th for the number of correct answers out of all secondary school's nationwide for **Times Tables Rockstars!** However, we came FIRST in our local area! This is amazing!

Well done to Tanya S - 1st , Harry R - 2nd and Dylan K - 3rd for getting the most individual scores out of the school!

Position (Out of 17 nearby secondary schools taking part)		School Total Correct
1	Westfield Academy, Yeovil	122,102
2	Taunton Preparatory School, Taunton	52,155
3	Exmouth Community College	48,687
4	Dumpton School	23,852
5	Cranborne Middle School, Wimborne	22,477
6	Oasis Academy Brislington	16,338
7	Selwood Academy	9,363
8	Stonar School	7,687
9	Elmhurst Junior School	5,610
10	Allenbourn Middle School	4,933

## Performing Arts

We have had so much packed into this term in Performing Arts and we have only just started the year! Our Year 7 students attended a mental wellbeing workshop with our Performing Arts team, really enjoying the range of activities including yoga and learning about relaxation & mindfulness. A small group of students also had a fantastic inclusive Dance workshop run by Bristol Bears rugby team.

The BTEC students have already been on three theatre/dance trips including Motionhouse, Russell Maliphant and Blood Brothers. We believe it is so beneficial for BTEC students to see as much professional work as possible, so we have lots more planned over the next term.

A wide range of students took part in our annual Christmas Showcase. The auditorium was packed and the students were really professional throughout the day of rehearsals and the performance. We are so proud of them! The business students supplied some amazing refreshments to accompany a festive evening of top class entertainment.

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

- Tuesday 3rd January INSET Day
- Wednesday 4th January Students Return
- Tuesday 10th & 17th January Yr 7 Parents Evening
- Mon 6th Feb Fri 10th Feb School Show Rehearsals & Performance
- HALF TERM Monday 13 February to Friday 17 February

**REMINDER Yellow zig-zag lines** - Yellow zig-zag lines outside schools indicate the length of road where stopping or waiting is strictly prohibited. They are in place to make the crossing in to school safer for our students. Parking in this area around the Lower School gates greatly restricts the view for staff or residents using the entrance/exit of the road.

# Lille, French Christmas Trip

'On the 24th November we went on a school trip to France. We had a very early start! We travelled by coach and Eurotunnel.

When we arrived in France we went to a waffle factory where we watched how 'gaufres' are made. We then got to try them and they were the best waffles that I think I've ever tasted. We then got the chance to buy them in different flavours such as orange.

Afterwards, we got back on the coach and headed for the Christmas market. When we got there we got to see all the beautiful streets of Lille and we got to see the spectacular Christmas market. There was a very high ferris wheel and many stalls to choose from. There were many food stalls to indulge in such as 'tartiflette'- this was a very nice dish that consisted of potatoes, ham and cheese. There were also jewellery, chocolate, accessories and many other stalls. This was a great place to practise my French.

We headed home with plenty of chocolates and presents! We returned to Yeovil late that night and slept a lot the next day!

It was a brilliant trip and I enjoyed it very much.'



# **YEAR 9 MESSAGE**

We can not believe the end of term is here. We have had a busy term from sporting events, christmas competitions and day trips. Welldone to our Year 9 sports teams, they have represented the school and made us proud! Make sure to look at the Westfield PE instagram page for details.

We are currently running the Elf the Shelf tutor competition -it's fair to say the standards are high and we look forward to sharing these with you once we announce the winner on our socials.

Mr Mahoney was lucky enough to be able to attend the rugby match -England vs Japan at Twickenham. This was a great opportunity for our students to watch elite level Rugby.

We would like to wish our year group a Merry Christmas and we will see them in the New Year.

From Mrs Handyside and Mr Mahoney.

# **GALLERY**



