



Newsletter - March 2026

## Learning Value Focus: Reflection



Dear Wellstead Families,

We are now in full swing with the Spring Term – even if the weather can't quite make up its mind! There has been so much happening in school since Christmas, and it is a pleasure to share some of the highlights with you.

Before Half Term, our amazing *Dance Live* team competed against other schools at Portsmouth Guildhall in their heat of this national competition. We were absolutely delighted that they **won their heat!** We have taken part for the past four years and come so close each time, so it is incredibly exciting to be performing in the final in April. The team continue to work hard with the children to refine their routine, and we cannot wait to see them perform again. We are all incredibly proud of their hard work and achievement so far and are right behind them!

Mr Trickett and Mr Cook took a group of Year 6 children to the London BETT Show (British Educational Training and Technology). Later that week, Mrs Northam took a group of Key Stage 2 children to the O2 in London to join thousands of other primary schools from across the UK to perform in the world's largest children's choir! The children, staff and parents had a truly magical experience – and the good news is that Mrs Northam is already keen to take part again next year. Watch this space to find out how you can sign your child up. For general information, please visit: <https://youngvoices.co.uk/>

In February, we hosted a series of SCARF workshops. SCARF is the programme we subscribe to in order to deliver our statutory Relationships (RHSE) curriculum. Trainers from SCARF delivered short workshops to classes across the school focusing on their key themes: safety, caring, achievement, resilience and friendship. We would like to thank PoW for their generous financial contribution, which enabled us to host the workshops again this year. We have also welcomed the NSPCC, who have delivered safeguarding assemblies and workshops.

Last Wednesday, I had the pleasure of showing an important visitor from the Local Authority around the school as part of our annual review. As always, learning was fantastic, with strong teaching evident in every year group. We visited a range of lessons, including Maths and English, looked through books and spoke to both children and staff. The children's learning behaviour continues to be a real strength of the school: classrooms are calm, purposeful and highly conducive to learning, with every child on task. Children spoke confidently and clearly about what they were learning, why they were learning it, and what helps them to be successful.

Following this and our successful Ofsted inspection in June, we have some exciting work planned for the remainder of this term and beyond. Over the next 18 months, the staff team will be focusing on developing **independent and resilient** learners. We have launched the first of our **Growth Mindset Days** - during these sessions, we work with the children to develop an understanding that learning is a journey. They may not be able to do something *yet*, and they may find something challenging, but with practice, effort and perseverance, they will gradually master new skills and experience confidence and success. Each year group was given a challenge to solve collaboratively, applying all of our learning behaviours as they planned, reflected, monitored and adapted. Year 5 tackled collapsed bridges, while Year R transported teddies across the classroom! The children had a wonderful day, and we will continue to build on this throughout the Curriculum, supporting the children to accept that making mistakes is a normal part of learning and life.

Looking ahead, Year 6 have been completing their mock end-of-KS2 SATs this week and are working incredibly hard towards the real assessments in May. Year R are preparing for their Easter show at the end of March, and we have Come and Share, Parents' Evenings and the Spring discos all coming up too.

Please remember that we operate an open-door policy at Wellstead. If you have any concerns or worries, please talk to your child's teacher – there is no need to wait until Parents' Evening.

Wishing you a lovely week!

Kind regards,

**Amanda Greenwood**

Headteacher



🌾 Respectful 🌾 Reflective 🌾 Aspirational 🌾 Adaptable 🌾 Collaborative 🌾 Independent 🌾

## Staffing updates

We said goodbye to Mrs Potter from Stay and Play earlier this term. Mrs Potter led our after school care provision for 3 years and was a lunchtime supervisor before that - we wished her well as she moved on to future endeavours. We are delighted to let you know that Miss Dolton has taken on the role of After School Club Supervisor. Miss Dolton set up Stay and Play when the school first opened a wraparound care service for families. Miss Dolton works closely with Mrs Elliott who runs the Breakfast Club. The team has already made lots of positive changes to our Wraparound Care provision including partnering with Aspens to offer a high quality tea for the children as well as new resources and activities. Look out for our next Wraparound newsletter!

Mrs Hill (Year 5 LSA) has chosen to semi-retire! Mrs Hill will still be at Wellstead on a Thursday and Friday and will be in Breakfast club for those days as well.



## Some reminders

Please ensure that children do not use any of our play equipment after school or while you are waiting to pick up your school-aged children. Our equipment is covered by a detailed risk assessment, and it is only considered safe to use when staff follow the guidance provided, along with daily safety checks and updates.

Thank you for helping us to keep everyone safe.



## EARA Group- Equality and Rights Advocates

A message from our EARA group:

EARA, which stands for Equality and Rights Advocates, is a group of children from Year 4, 5 and 6 at Wellstead who meet once a week. At EARA, we want everyone to feel welcome and learn about the rights of the child. We try to teach the children in our school about the UNCRC (United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child) so everyone feels safe, secure and included. To help the children, we deliver assemblies to different year groups and make posters for school. Our future plans are to plan and run activities to prevent discriminatory comments as research shows more comments are being heard in Primary schools in Hampshire and we want to make sure it doesn't start in our school. We feel that this club is important to our school because everyone has the right to be respected.



Thank you!

A big thank you from the School Council for your generous donations to Children in Need back in November. Together, Wellstead raised £441.95 for this fantastic charity.

Well done and thanks go to Year 2 as well, collectively raising £134.76 for The Children's Society as part of their Christingle.



**The  
Children's  
Society**

Music Production with Hampshire Music Service

**MUSIC PRODUCTION – Mon 30th & Tues 31st March 2026**

*Barton Peveril College, Eastleigh, , SO50 5ZA*

**9:30am – 3:30pm (both days)**

***Suitable for children in Years 5,6,7 and 8***

*Dive into the world of music creation using iPads and GarageBand. Explore remixing, sampling, and live DJing with hands-on experience using professional gear. Discover how chords shape songs, experiment with different genres, and learn to build your own tracks*

*from the ground up. Whether you're into beats, melodies, or mixing, everything you need is provided - just bring your creativity!*

For queries, please contact [music.service@hants.gov.uk](mailto:music.service@hants.gov.uk)

If you would like to come along, please sign up using the following link: [Music Production Enrichment Days - 30 and 31 March 2026 – Fill in form](#)

For more information: [Holiday Activities - Hampshire Music Education Hub \(hantsmusichub.org.uk\)](#)

**Cost:** £85 (including lunch)



## Holiday Sports Clubs

Please remember that any groups or clubs that we signpost on our newsletters are not checked by the school and are therefore included for your information only, not as a recommendation. Please be sure that you make your own checks as to qualifications, quality and safeguarding before you decide to sign up. I have attached a leaflet from the NSPCC that might help you with this.

# How safe is your child's sport club?

5 questions you should be asking

## 2 Does the club have a safeguarding policy?

Your club should have a policy in place to safeguard children. It should be available for you to read, ideally on their website.

## 4 Who can you talk to?

All clubs should have a person responsible for safeguarding. They should let you know who they are and how to contact them if you need to.

**NSPCC**



## 1 Have the staff been checked out?

The club should have a safe recruitment process for hiring staff. They should be able to tell you what's involved in this process.

## 3 What happens if there's an accident?

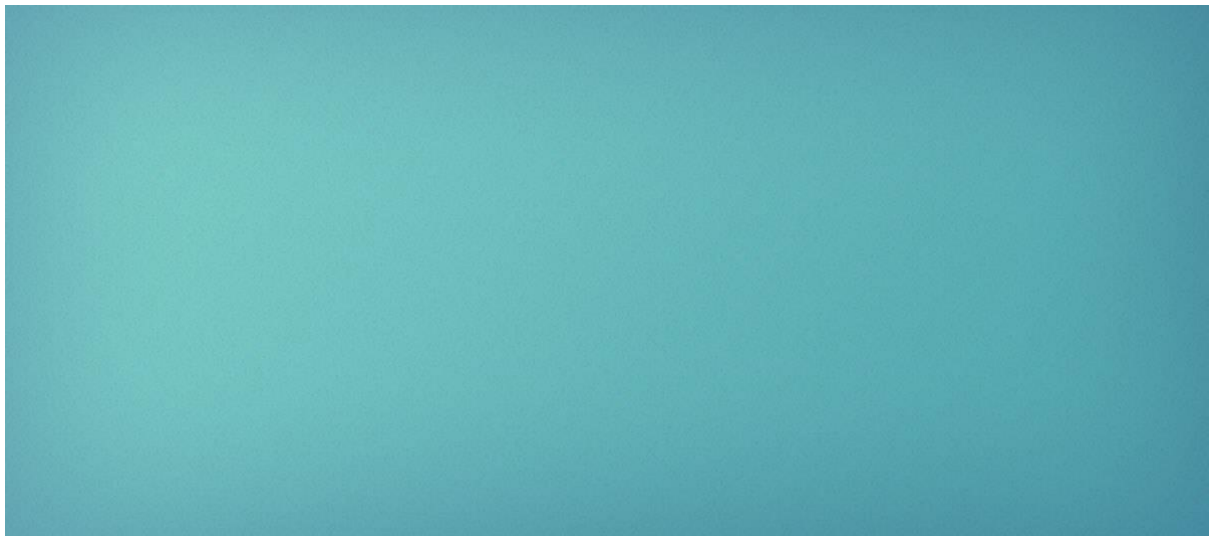
Ask the club if they have a first aider. They should also have your contact details in case of an emergency.

## 5 What training is there?

Your club can tell you what level of training their coaches have. Safeguarding training is also available to anyone working with children.

For more information on how to keep your child safe in sport, visit [the cpsu.org.uk/parents](http://the cpsu.org.uk/parents)

Dates for your diary





## March

17th March - Beyond the Beat Concert

18th March - Class Photographs

- Come and Share

19th March - Y2 Florence Nightingale Workshop

- PoW Spring Discos

25th March - Wildern Music Festival

- Parents Evening

26th March - Parents Evening

27th March - Year R Easter show

**30th March - 10th April - Easter Break**

## April

13th April - First day of the Summer Term

13th -17th April - Year 4 to Minstead

23rd April - Dance Live final

- R2L trip to Manor Farm

Remember to check our website calendar for up-to-date information on school events:

<https://www.wellsteadprimary.co.uk/calendar/>

Next Year's Term dates and INSET days can be found on our website at:

<https://www.wellsteadprimary.co.uk/term-dates-and-inset-days/>

## Local events, clubs and opportunities

**ICON SPORTS COACHING FOOTBALL TRAINING SESSIONS AGES 4-14**

**MONDAY FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT CENTRE**  
5:30pm-6:45pm U7-U14 Boys & Girls  
5:30pm-6:45pm U7-U10 Goalkeeper Coaching  
All Weather Pitch, Wyvern College, Fair Oak, SO50 7AN  
£46 Per Month Standing Order or £15 Pay Online & Play

**WEDNESDAY FOOTBALL CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE**  
U7-U10 Boys & Girls 5:30pm-6:45pm  
U11-U13 Boys & Girls 6:45pm-8pm  
U11-U14 Goalkeeper Coaching 6:45pm-8pm  
AWP, Wyvern College, Fair Oak, SO50 7AN  
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**FREE TASTER SESSIONS AVAILABLE!**

**TO SIGN UP FOR ANY OF THE ABOVE SESSIONS**  
Register Online: [www.iconsportscoaching.co.uk](http://www.iconsportscoaching.co.uk)  
or contact Steve on 07415 888851

**SUNDAY 22  
MARCH 2026**

# **EASTLEIGH JUNIOR FUN RUN**

URLICENSE 45091

This is your chance to 'Go for Gold' at the Eastleigh Junior Fun Run event for the 12s and unders on Sunday 22 March 2026. The event is run around Fleming Park, Eastleigh and will be supporting WESSEX Heartbeat.



## **FUN RUN FEATURES**

- The race starts at 11am for 9-12s, and 11.15am for 4-8 year olds.
- Entry is only £8 per child but limited to a maximum of 300 e.g. 150 per race (entries will not be taken on the day).
- Appropriate running clothes or tracksuits are recommended.
- Free medal and a £5 voucher for Up & Running in Chandler's Ford, for all finishers.

To enter visit [www.runningmania.co.uk](http://www.runningmania.co.uk)

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## **GYMNASTICS**



**Beginners/Improvers/  
Advanced**



**We offer termly classes to suit  
beginners to advanced gymnasts**

Courses run termly

Enrolment is essential

Spaces are limited

Check out our booking page  
for Wed, Fri & Sat class times



Wyvern College, Botley Road,  
Fair Oak, Eastleigh, SO50 7AN  
[community@wyvern.hants.sch.uk](mailto:community@wyvern.hants.sch.uk)  
023 80692678

To book online:

[wyverncommunity.schoolactivity.co.uk](http://wyverncommunity.schoolactivity.co.uk)

[www.wyverncollege.org.uk/community](http://www.wyverncollege.org.uk/community)

# DANCE JUNKIE STREET DANCE

WELLSTEAD JNR: KEY STAGE 2s  
MONDAYS: 13<sup>TH</sup> APRIL - 13<sup>TH</sup> JULY  
3:30PM - 4:15PM | £72

TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION  
PLEASE TEXT DANCE JUNKIE ON 07766 503 503

DANCE JUNKIE TEACHER & FOUNDER ANNALIEGH MCKINLAY HAS MANY YEARS  
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LOVE DANCE. LOVE DANCE JUNKIE

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3:30-4:15PM £78

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From **Hola** to **Hablando**:  
Spanish lessons for everyone



Join our  
**Spanish Club!**

Did you know Spanish is in the TOP 3 most spoken languages?

**Lunchtime Spanish Club – Thursday**

Lunchtime Spanish club at Wellstead Primary School is now open for bookings!

Please sign up using the link below to secure your child's place

<https://pbb1.uk/413vr1j>

Spaces are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis

Muchas gracias!

Any questions? Please find my contact details below

Pippa Chia - [spanish4kidshants@gmail.com](mailto:spanish4kidshants@gmail.com) 07971 213619

Find out more at [www.spanish4kids.co.uk](http://www.spanish4kids.co.uk)

