Prospectus & Parent Information Guide 2026–2027



WESTBURY CHURCH OF ENGLAND JUNIOR SCHOOL

Care. Respect. Inspire.

Every Child Known. Every Child Valued. Every Child Challenged.

"Creating a vibrant Christian learning community where every child can flourish."

Welcome from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Westbury Church of England Junior School.

At Westbury Juniors, we believe that every child deserves the opportunity to flourish academically, socially and emotionally. Our vision is built upon our core values of Care, Respect and Inspiration, which shape every aspect of school life and help us create a vibrant Christian learning community where children feel safe, valued and challenged.

We are proud to be a school with high expectations and high aspirations for all. We want every child to develop a love of learning, achieve their very best and leave us as confident, resilient and compassionate young people who are fully prepared for the next stage of their education.

Our broad and engaging curriculum combines academic excellence with rich experiences that inspire curiosity and creativity. Whether children are learning in the classroom, exploring through Forest School, participating in sporting events, performing on stage or enjoying imaginative play through our OPAL programme, we ensure that every child has opportunities to discover their strengths and experience success.

As an inclusive school, we celebrate individuality and work closely with families to ensure every child receives the support they need to thrive. Our dedicated staff team, calm and sensory spaces, family support provision and Resource Base enable us to meet a wide range of needs while maintaining a strong sense of belonging for all.

We would be delighted to welcome you to visit our school and see our community in action. We look forward to meeting you.

Lindsay Clough
Headteacher



About Our School

At Westbury Church of England Junior School, we combine high expectations with exceptional care. Inclusion and belonging is something we strive to achieve.

Our children are encouraged to aim high, work hard and take pride in their achievements whilst being supported by dedicated staff who know them as individuals.

We are proud to offer:



- A broad and ambitious curriculum
- High expectations for learning and behaviour
- A strong Christian ethos
- Outstanding outdoor play through OPAL
- Forest School experiences for every class
- Dedicated calm rooms and sensory spaces
- A dedicated Family Support Worker
- Strong partnerships with parents and carers
- Thrive Practitioners to support children's emotional welfare
- A purpose-built Family Hub to support our children's families.
- Dedicated SEND leadership
- Individual support programmes

Most importantly, we ensure that every child is known, valued and given opportunities to shine.





Our Vision

Care. Respect. Inspire.

‘Let your light shine’

Matthew 5:16

Our vision is simple:

We will Care for, Respect and Inspire all to create a vibrant Christian learning community.

These values are woven through every aspect of school life. They guide our relationships, shape our curriculum and help us create a culture where children feel safe, supported and inspired to achieve their best.

High Expectations and High Aspirations

At Westbury Junior School, we believe that every child can succeed.

We have high expectations for learning, behaviour, attendance and personal conduct. Our staff challenge and support children to become confident, resilient and independent learners who are prepared for the next stage of their education.

Children are encouraged to:

- Take pride in their work
- Develop resilience when faced with challenge
- Think critically and creatively
- Become independent learners
- Take responsibility for their actions
- Aim high in everything they do

We are ambitious for every child, regardless of their starting point.

All of our policies and procedures can be found on our website including:

- Teaching and Learning Policy
- Behaviour Policy
- Curriculum Maps

A Curriculum That Inspires



Our curriculum has been carefully designed to develop knowledgeable, confident and ambitious learners.

Through high-quality teaching, rich literature, engaging topics and meaningful learning experiences, children gain the knowledge and skills they need to succeed both now and in the future.

Teaching and Learning

At **Westbury Junior School**, we believe children learn best when knowledge is built over time and regularly revisited. In History, Geography and Science, each unit is driven by a **Big Question** that encourages curiosity and gives purpose to learning.

Children use **knowledge organisers** to support their understanding of key facts and vocabulary, while regular retrieval quizzes help them remember and apply what they have learned. Our lessons follow a consistent structure across the school, allowing children to confidently build new knowledge and skills whilst making connections with previous learning.

At the end of each unit, pupils complete a final piece of work or assessment that showcases their learning and demonstrates the progress they have made. This approach helps to ensure that learning is engaging, memorable and meaningful, enabling every child to achieve their full potential.





At Westbury Junior School, we think carefully about how lessons are designed and delivered. We have developed a consistent approach to teaching that is familiar to both children and adults, creating clear routines and high expectations in every classroom. This structure helps pupils feel confident, engaged and ready to learn, while ensuring that every child has the best possible opportunity to succeed. Below, you can see the key elements that underpin our approach to high-quality teaching and learning.



We know that some of our children succeed in other areas of the curriculum, which is why we have ensured that lessons do not only happen inside the classroom. Learning is enriched through:

- Educational visits
- Visitors and workshops
- Sporting competitions
- Music and performance opportunities
- Community projects
- Leadership roles
- Curriculum enrichment events
- Fabulous Finish celebrations

We want children to leave Westbury with a genuine love of learning and curiosity about the world around them.

Safeguarding

The safety and wellbeing of every child is our highest priority. At Westbury Church of England Junior School, we are committed to creating a safe, caring and supportive environment where children feel secure, valued and able to thrive. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility and is embedded in all aspects of school life, from our curriculum and pastoral support to our policies and daily practice.

Westbury CofE Junior School Safeguarding Team:

					
Mrs Lindsay Clough (DSL)	**Mr Chris Foyle (DDSL)**	**Mrs El Flynn (DDSL)**	**Mrs Aleks Young (DDSL)**	**Mrs Jude Sutton (DDSL)**	**Mrs Bev Hall (DDSL)**

We believe that keeping children safe sometimes requires us to have difficult conversations with children, families and external agencies. Whilst these conversations can be challenging, they are always approached with care, professionalism and the best interests of the child at heart. We are committed to taking action whenever concerns arise, because the safety and welfare of our children will always be our number one priority. We believe that children learn best when they feel safe, happy and supported, and we are dedicated to ensuring their wellbeing remains at the heart of everything we do.

Attendance and Behaviour

Good attendance is essential for children to achieve their full potential. Every day in school matters, and we encourage all pupils to attend regularly and arrive on time. We work closely with families to promote excellent attendance and provide support where needed. By working together, we ensure that every child has the best opportunity to succeed both academically and socially.

At Westbury Junior School, we believe children thrive when expectations are clear, routines are consistent and successes are celebrated. We have high expectations of behaviour and work hard to build positive relationships with every child, creating a safe, respectful and purposeful environment where everyone can learn and succeed.

Positive behaviour is recognised and celebrated throughout the school. Children are rewarded through House Points, Celebration Assemblies and Star of the Week Awards, helping to foster a culture of kindness, effort and achievement. When poor choices are made, we use a clear and consistent behaviour system that encourages children to reflect on their actions, take responsibility and make better choices in the future. Further information can be found in our Behaviour Policy, which is available on the school website.

Personal Development and Well-Being

At Westbury Junior School, we are committed to developing confident, respectful and responsible young people who are well prepared for life beyond primary school. Through our PSHE curriculum, assemblies and wider school experiences, children learn about health and well-being, relationships, citizenship, British Values and the protected characteristics, helping them to understand the importance of respect, equality and inclusion.

We believe that some of the most memorable learning takes place beyond the classroom. Children enjoy a wide range of enrichment opportunities, including visits to Stonehenge and the Roman Baths, participation in the Dance Festival, the I Can I Am Bus and the Voice in a Million Choir. We also offer an extensive range of extra-curricular clubs, enabling children to develop new skills, interests and friendships.

Children are encouraged to take on leadership responsibilities through roles such as Head Pupils, House Captains, Sports Ambassadors, Tech Team members and OPAL Play Leaders. Alongside this, our OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) programme provides high-quality play opportunities that promote creativity, teamwork, resilience and problem-solving.

Through these experiences, we aim to nurture happy, healthy and confident children who are ready to contribute positively to their community and embrace future opportunities.







Outstanding Play Through OPAL

We are proud to be an OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) school.

We believe play is an essential part of childhood and contributes significantly to children's wellbeing, confidence and social development.

Through OPAL, our playtimes provide opportunities for:

- Creative play
- Construction
- Outdoor exploration
- Physical challenge
- Problem solving
- Imagination and role play
- Teamwork and collaboration



Visitors often comment on the energy, creativity and happiness visible across our playgrounds.





Forest School

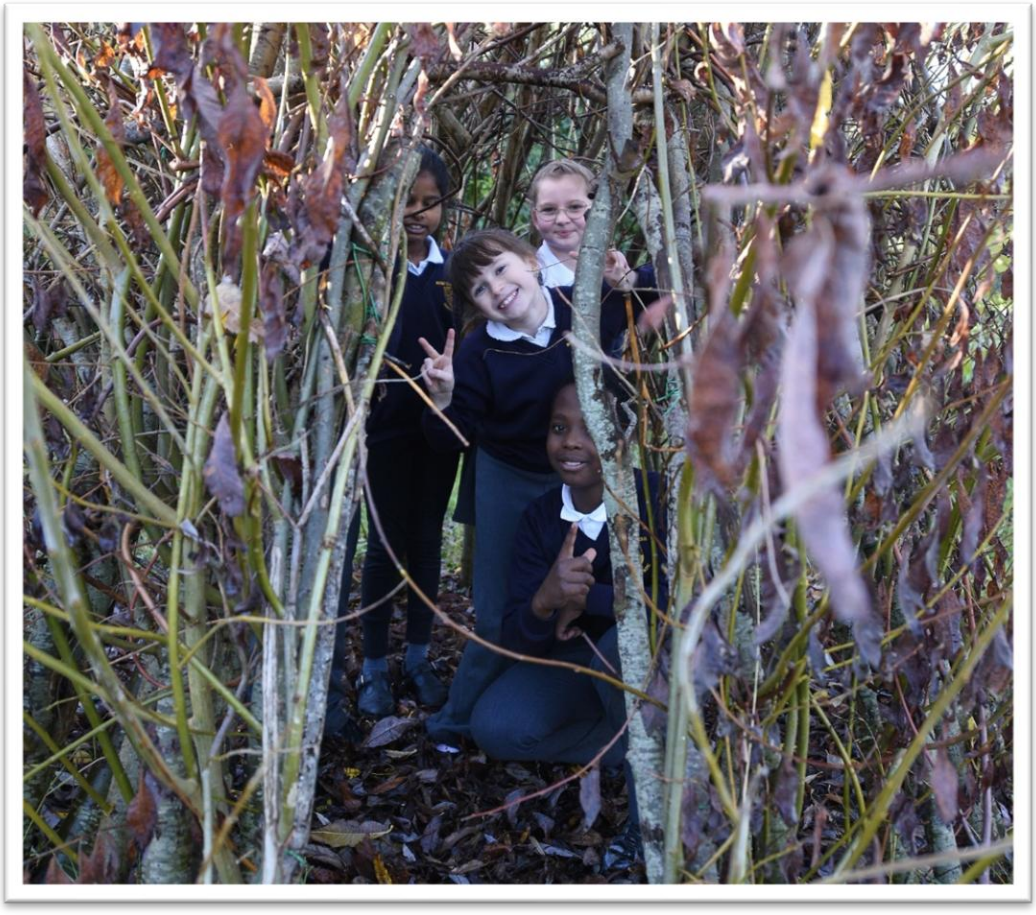
Every class experiences Forest School throughout the year.

Forest School provides opportunities for children to:

- Develop resilience
- Build confidence
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- Learn practical outdoor skills
- Explore nature
- Work collaboratively
- Take managed risks safely



These experiences support personal development whilst fostering a lifelong appreciation of the natural world.



Working in Partnership with Families

We know children achieve their best when school and home work together.

We pride ourselves on building strong relationships with parents and carers and maintaining open communication throughout a child's journey with us.

Parents are regularly invited into school through:

- Fabulous Finish events
- Parent consultations
- Curriculum workshops
- Performances and productions
- Celebration events
- Sporting events

Together, we help children achieve their very best.

Family Hub

At Westbury Church of England Junior School, we recognise that children thrive when families feel supported, connected and valued. Our Family Hub is a welcoming space at the heart of our school community, providing parents and carers with opportunities to access support, advice and guidance in a relaxed and friendly environment.

Led by our dedicated Family Support Worker, Mrs Bev Hall and Assistant Headteacher, El Flynn, the Family Hub offers a range of workshops, courses and regular parent meet-ups throughout the year, designed to promote wellbeing, build confidence and strengthen family engagement. Whether you would like practical advice, support with parenting challenges, help accessing services, or simply a friendly chat over a cup of tea, the Family Hub is a safe, non-judgemental space where you will always receive a warm welcome.



Our dedicated Family Support Worker also provides confidential support and guidance relating to:

- Attendance and punctuality
- Behaviour and routines
- Emotional wellbeing
- Family challenges
- Accessing support services
- Practical advice and guidance

We understand that family life can present many different challenges, and our support extends far beyond education. Whatever your circumstances, we are here to work alongside you and your family, offering support with any issue that may impact family life and the wellbeing of our children. By working together, we can ensure every child has the best possible opportunity to thrive both in school and beyond.



Our Christian Distinctiveness

As a Church of England school, our Christian values underpin every aspect of school life.

We welcome families from all faiths and backgrounds and celebrate the diversity of our community.

Our values help children develop:

- Compassion
- Respect
- Integrity
- Courage
- Responsibility

We encourage children to make positive contributions to their school, community and wider world.

Every Child's Moment to Shine

Above all else, Westbury Junior School is a place where children are encouraged to discover their strengths, develop their talents and achieve their potential.

Whether through academic success, sport, music, art, leadership, outdoor learning or acts of kindness, every child is given opportunities to shine.

PARENT INFORMATION

Starting at Westbury

Moving to junior school is an exciting milestone and we work closely with our partner infant schools to ensure children experience a smooth and successful transition.

Transition visits, induction events and opportunities to meet staff help children feel confident and prepared for the move to Westbury.

The School Day

Time	Activity
8:30am	Gates Open
8:35am	School Starts
8:45am	Gates Close
10:30am – 10:50am	Morning Break
12:15pm – 1:15pm	Lunchtime
3:05pm	End of School Day
3:20pm	Gates Close

Children arriving after 8:45am should enter through the school office. Your child will be marked late as of 9:00am and have an unauthorised absence for the morning session.

Attendance

Excellent attendance supports children's progress, wellbeing and enjoyment of school. We work closely with families to promote high attendance and punctuality.

Every day matters.



Lunchtimes and Playtimes

Children enjoy a full hour lunch break each day.

As an OPAL school, our playgrounds provide rich opportunities for creativity, exploration, teamwork and physical activity.

Children should come to school prepared for all weather conditions, including coats, hats and suitable footwear when required.

School Meals

Our school kitchen provides freshly prepared meals each day.

Children can choose from a variety of hot and cold meal options, including sandwiches and wraps.

Meals are booked through Arbor.

Families entitled to Free School Meals are encouraged to apply and support is available through the school office.

Healthy Snacks

Children may bring a healthy snack for morning break.

To support our OPAL initiative and environmental commitment, we have wrapper-free snacks.

A healthy tuck shop also operates during the week.

Homework and Home Learning

We value the important role families play in supporting learning.

Children are expected to:

- Read regularly at home
- Practise times tables
- Complete termly enrichment projects

These activities help reinforce learning and encourage family involvement.

Communication

We believe strong communication between home and school is essential.

Arbor

We are a cashless school and use Arbor for:

- School meal bookings
- Educational visits
- Payments
- School communications

ClassDojo

ClassDojo is used to:

- Celebrate achievements
- Reward positive behaviour
- Share learning
- Communicate with families

School Uniform

We believe a smart uniform promotes pride, belonging and equality.

Uniform

- School logo jumper or cardigan
- White polo shirt
- Grey or black trousers
- Grey or black skirt
- Grey or black shorts
- Grey, black or white socks/tights
- Plain black shoes



Summer Uniform

- Blue gingham dress
- Grey or black shorts

PE Kit

- Plain white t-shirt
- Plain black, navy or white shorts
- Trainers or daps



Jewellery and Appearance

- One pair of stud earrings or small hoops
- No smart watches
- No make-up or nail varnish
- Long hair tied back

School uniform can be purchased through Scholars School wear. Second-hand uniform is available through the School Association.

SEND

Inclusion is central to our ethos.

Parents with concerns regarding their child's learning or development are encouraged to speak with their child's class teacher in the first instance.

Our SEND provision includes:



- Dedicated SENCo support
- Calm rooms
- Sensory spaces
- Thrive interventions
- Family support services
- Specialist agency involvement
- Complex Needs Resource Base provision

Mrs Sutton is our SENCO. At Westbury Junior School, our SENCo works closely with children, families and staff to ensure that every pupil receives the support, challenge and encouragement they need to flourish. By coordinating additional provision, liaising with external agencies and working in partnership with parents, the SENCo helps ensure that all children are able to access learning, achieve success and feel valued as members of our school community.

School Association

Our School Association plays a valuable role in supporting school life.

The association raises funds to support:

- Educational visits
- Additional learning resources
- Playground developments
- Enrichment opportunities

They also organise community events including:

- Colour Runs
- School Discos
- Christmas Events
- Summer Fairs

If you would like to join, as a member of our wonderful School Association, then please email lauren.taylor@westbury-jun.wilts.sch.uk

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Joining Our School Community

At Westbury Church of England Junior School, we are proud of the caring, respectful and inspiring community we have created.

We look forward to working in partnership with you and supporting your child throughout their journey with us.

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