

Valued Inspired Prepared



Name: Leo

Age: 14 Year 10

The WOW! (What do other people say about me)

Leo is kind and thoughtful and will always look out for the younger learners within the school.

He is a keen footballer and loves to spend his time on the pitch at break and lunch times. He has also represented Westhaven on many occasions in local tournaments.

Leo is developing into a very confident and polite young man. His journey through school has not always been a smooth one, but he demonstrates what being a resilient learner is all about.

My Westhaven journey

Leo joined Westhaven in year 7 in September 2020. He was well-liked amongst his peers but lacked confidence in his academic ability. He especially struggled with reading and writing, linked to his dyslexia profile.

At the time of our Ofsted inspection, in June 2022, Leo was required to read aloud to the lead HMI. As you can imagine, this filled him with dread as he knew he lacked the skills he desired.

When we transitioned over onto our new phonics scheme, Unlocking Letters and Sounds, Leo was in year 8. He was assessed and started his phonics journey at the beginning of phase 2. By the end of year 9, he was confidently working within phase 4.

During a phonics Deep Dive inspection in May 2023, Leo was called upon once more to read aloud. This time, he approached it with confidence as he had secured his GPCs.

Everyone is so proud of his ongoing achievement and determination.