

Tune in on Tuesday

Wheelwright Lane Primary School Newsletter

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Diary Dates

Diary dates for the Autumn Term are shown below and will be included and updated on every newsletter.

15.09.16	House Captains elections
16.09.16	MacMillan coffee morning 9.30-11.30
16.09.16	Craig Tracey (MP) to visit School Council 1.30
20.09.16	Yr 1 to Ash End Farm
28.09.16	Yr 4 to Gaydon using IT control systems
03.10.16	Yr 5 trip to Coombe Abbey
05.10.16	Yr 6 to Coventry Transport Museum and Herbert Art Gallery
07.10.16	9.15 Year 3 Harvest festival assembly - Yr 3 parents/families welcome
10.10.16	Parents' Evening 3.30-6.00
13.10.16	Parents' Evening 4.30-8.00
14.10.16	2.30 Year 4 class assembly - parents welcome
w.c. 17.10.16	Anti-bullying awareness week
20.10.16 (Thursday)	Children finish for half term
21.10.16	INSET - Training for staff
31.10.16	Children return to school

INSET Friday 21st October
Tuesday 3rd January
Monday 27th February

Attendance

YR	99%	Y4	97%	Winner Y3 - 99.4% ★
Y1	99.3%	Y5	97%	
Y2	95%	Y6	99%	

- Attendance for week commencing the 4th July overall was 98%. Very Good attendance achieved.

Reception starters September 2017

IMPORTANT

If your child is due to start Primary school next year - September 2017 you need to apply online NOW. Please see the notice in the Nursery or on the Parents board for information or contact the office. You can make your application now but these must be made no later than 15th January 2017.

INSET focus

I thought I would share with you information regarding the whole school staff training focus for this year. I put forward a bid to the Local Authority for funding for staff training around Social, Emotional and Mental Health needs in primary-aged children. The school has been successful and throughout the year staff will access professional training to support our children's social and emotional needs. Our first day's training took place last week and was received well by all staff. I will keep you informed of our progress towards our targets and the impact on our children and staff.

Website updates

New additions to the website include:

- Latest provisional school results 2016
- New staff list

Extra-curricular activities

Activities start the week Monday 12th September

Monday	Library Club	Yr 6	3.15 – 4.15
Tuesday	Tag Rugby	Y3 & Y4	12.30 - 1.00
	Multi-skills	Yr 1 and 2	3.15 - 4.15
Wednesday	Physical Activity sessions	Yr 3 and 4	8.00-8.40
	Football	Y5/6	12.30 – 1.00
	Dodgeball	Y3 & Y4	3.15 - 4.15
Thursday	STEM Club	Yr6	3.15 – 4.15
Friday	Penalty Shoot-out	KS2	12.30-1.00

Allergies

Some children in school are allergic to nuts in all forms. A gentle reminder to all parents that nuts, including peanut butter etc. are not allowed in school. Please be aware when putting packed lunches together or sending in treats for children.

Also please let us know if your child has developed any allergies and we will add them to our watch list.

Jewellery

A reminder regarding school policy on jewellery. As a school we have a responsibility to ensure all children in our care are safe at all times. All jewellery, including those worn for religious observance, poses a risk of injury. Only stud earrings are acceptable and no necklaces for obvious reasons. In P.E. we try to minimise the risk by asking that they be removed or made safe by covering with tape during all sporting activities.

Universal free school meals

A reminder that the Government are still funding free school meals for children in Reception, Year1 and Year2. We would encourage you to take advantage of this as this is a good saving for the family and ensures that your child has a healthy balanced meal every day.

Please see the school website for up to date menus.

For the rest of the school, dinners are still priced at £2.10 per meal and our preferred method of payment is through Agora payment systems (information on website).

Contact the office if you need any advice.

Safeguarding

Just a reminder to let myself or Mrs Hull know of any suspicious incidents that may endanger our children. I do report all suspicious activity to other parents and Warwickshire Authority.

Building work

The building work due to be carried out during the summer holidays has been delayed due to circumstances beyond our control. The workmen are replacing the flat roof along the section from Year 6 to After-school Club. They are due to finish by the end of September so please be aware of extra traffic on site. All workmen officially accessing the school site are issued with school identity badges. If you are unsure about individuals on site and cannot identify them please report this to the office immediately.

School Bike Shed

Children bringing bikes and scooters to school will not be able to access the bike shed due to the building work taking place. Children have been asked to bring the bikes and scooters in through the main entrance and then be told where to store them during the day.

Mathletics

Available for Years 1-5 to use throughout the year.

Wheelwright Lane Primary School		05 September 2016 - 11 September 2016				
Year Name ^	Activity Points	Live Points	Total Points	Bronze	Silver	Gold
Year 1 >	0	0	0	0	0	0
Year 2 >	2,280	326	2,606	1	0	0
Year 3 >	1,820	118	1,938	0	0	0
Year 4 >	6,000	279	6,279	1	1	0
Year 5 >	8,410	1,367	9,777	4	1	0

Relief Cleaner

We are currently looking for a relief cleaner to cover absence. If you, or someone you know may be interested, please contact the school office for further details. Applications are subject to DBS checks.

Catering Assistant

Warwickshire County Caterers are currently advertising for a Catering Assistant for our Kitchen. Check out the Warwickshire County Council Website/job vacancies for further details if you are interested.

Any Concerns?

Here at Wheelwright Lane we have an 'open door' policy where you are welcome to come and discuss any issue, small or large, with myself or my staff. It is tempting to vent concerns or complaints about the school on social media sites and I would urge parents/carers to always come in to school to discuss any sensitive issues with myself or staff. The school has a clear policy on dealing with accusations regarding the school, staff and pupils that are placed on social media sites. Please read our Complaints Policy for information purposes.

Teachers and Teaching Assistants are also available at **8.30** when they are more than pleased to discuss minor issues with you, but they need to be ready to register their children at 8.45. From 8.45 staff will be working with children in the class on reading and times tables work. If you require a longer discussion then staff are usually able to accommodate after school. Just call in if you need to. **Please make sure that staff are able to carry out their teaching commitments from 8.45 onwards.**

My door is always open and I will endeavor to speak to you straight away if possible, depending on my diary commitments. Do remember I often lead assemblies first thing in the morning for the first part of the week but am happy to see you from 9.30 onwards.

Christine Browne