

# Tune in on Tuesday

Wheelwright Lane Primary School Newsletter

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## Diary Dates

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

26.04.2017	Year 4 trip to Poole's Cavern - Depart 8.15 Arrive back at 4.30
01.05.2017	May Day Holiday
04.05.2017	Gribblybugs in for Reception class
05.05.2017	No swimming for Year 3
08.05.2017	KS2 SATs week - Breakfast club at 8 o'clock
18.05.2017	Y1 - Ryton Pools trip - all day
19.05.2017	School photographs
19.05.2017	No swimming for Year 3
22.05.2017	Maths Challenge week
25.05.2017	Yr 3 and 4 classes - Crystal Maze Challenge
26.05.2017	Yr 5 and 6 classes - Crystal Maze Challenge
26.05.2017	Break up for half term
05.06.2017	School re-opens 8.45am
07.06.2017	STWA Assembly - whole school
08.06.2017	President Kennedy Induction Day

### INSET Days 2017/18

INSET days = Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January

1 further day will be allocated at a later date.

## Sports fixtures

02.05.17	Yr5 and 6 football match @Wolvey 4p.m. kick-off (children return at 5.30)
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## Attendance

YR	97%	Y4	97%	Winners <b>Y2 - 99%</b> ★
Y1	96%	Y5	89%	
Y3	95%	Y6	94%	

Attendance for week commencing the 3<sup>rd</sup> April overall was 95%. Good attendance achieved.

## Parents' Association

April	P.A.Meeting (date to be arranged)
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## Extra-curricular activities

Monday	Library Club	Yr 5	3.15 - 4.15
Tuesday	Football	Y3 & Y4	12.30 - 1.00
	Multi-skills	Yr 1 and 2	3.15 - 4.15
	Cookery Club	Y4	3.15 - 4.45
Wednesday	Football	Y5/6	12.30 - 1.00
	Hi 5 Netball	Y3/4/5/6	3.15 - 4.15
Thursday	STEM Club	Yr2	3.15 - 4.15
	(starts 2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb)		
Friday	Penalty Shoot-out	KS2	12.30-1.00

## SAT's Breakfast Club

Once again we will be running the SAT's Breakfast Club. The children really enjoy this time together and it enables them to be settled and prepared for their tests. This year we will start at 8.00 and provide the usual toast, cereals and drinks for all. In response to requests from parents in previous years, we are able to accept siblings at the same time to ease the pressure in the morning. The children can go straight to their classes but breakfast will only be available to Year 6 children.

Please let me know if you envisage a problem.

Again it is important that all Year 6 children attend every day. If your child can not attend for any reason please ring the school at 8.30 to inform staff. The school can allow children to take the test at a different time but we need to make arrangements to do this.

## Nursery places for September

Our Nursery is now taking applications for places for September 2017. Please contact the Nursery directly and speak to Mrs Foxall or complete the application on the website to ensure a place for September.

## School uniform

Please check the website for details of school uniform, including requirements for P.E.

Some children are coming to school in trainers or footwear supplied by sports companies - **school shoes** only please for everyday use. If your child comes to school in trainers, as their shoes are temporarily unavailable due to being too small or worn out, then staff will ask that they put their black pumps on while in class. Sensible shoes also for the Summer term please - no sandals.

Head bands need to be in school colours, blue, white or black.

## Teaching qualification

The Warwickshire Consortium Teaching School Alliance, in partnership with Warwick University, are committed to providing high quality teacher

training experiences that allow a specialism in Early Education to be gained through a PGCE qualification.

Wheelwright Lane school is part of the Alliance and will have students placed in our Early Years and KS1 settings to support their training.

This course is open to anyone who fits the criteria and may suit suitable candidates in our local area. For more details please see the attached flyer.

## Sainsbury Vouchers

Thank you for sending in your vouchers. The vouchers will be issued up until 2<sup>nd</sup> May. Please carry on collecting them for us. The collection box is in the entrance hall outside the school office.

## School Funding

I am sure you are aware of the funding crisis facing most schools in England, Wheelwright Lane included. The news is full of the concerns about how to ensure that there is fair funding for all children. Sadly this isn't the case for Warwickshire children who again will receive less funding than other areas of the country.

There are also cuts to many of the services that were originally provided by the Local Authority, putting pressure on schools in accessing vital support and ensuring short waiting times.

Warwickshire Headteachers have written to the Government to urge them to reconsider their funding cuts to Local Authority schools who are providing an excellent education for children.

I would urge you to write to your M.P. regarding the unfair funding for Warwickshire children and to stop vital funding cuts to educational services.

Thank you for your support.