

Tune in on Tuesday

Wheelwright Lane Primary School Newsletter

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Diary Dates

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

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| 08.05.2017 | KS2 SATs week - Breakfast club at 8 o'clock |
| 09.05.2017 | Yr 4 trip to Poole's Cavern, Derbyshire 8.15 depart school |
| 09.05.2017 | Y2 trip to Gurdwara |
| 18.05.2017 | Y1 - Ryton Pools trip - all day |
| 19.05.2017 | School photographs |
| 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 Y6 - transition meeting at 'The Bridge' |

INSET Days 2017/18

INSET days = Friday 1st September
Monday 4th September
Monday 30th October
Friday 5th January

1 further day will be allocated at a later date.

Attendance

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| YR | 96% | Y3 | 92% | Winners Y6 - 100% Well done! ★ |
| Y1 | 94% | Y4 | 98% | |
| Y2 | 98% | Y5 | 95% | |

Attendance for week commencing the 2nd May overall was 96%. Good attendance achieved.

Sports fixtures

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| 19.05.17 | Yr5 and 6 football match @ St Francis 3.45p.m. kick-off (children return at 5.15) |
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Football Focus

Well done Year 6 footballers: a win against Wolvey School 3-1. A great team effort and good sportsmanship throughout. Well done to all. Thanks to Mr King and Mrs Tyler for their extra training sessions - it all helps. The children are looking forward to their next match.



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.

Parents' Association

Our P.A. are in need of support from parents to be able to continue their fantastic work for your children and the school. They have raised a lot of money over the years which have gone to help fund the following:-

- subsidised Christmas trips to quality theatres
- book bags/PE bags for Reception starters
- Recorders for year 3 and 5
- Year 6 leavers books and special leavers' event
- Hall Sound System
- Many other purchases in school

The P.A. and their fund-raising events are needed now more than ever before, with the current funding crisis in education. Currently, many of the extra events and subsidised trips are as a result of the extra money that school receives via the P.A. Without this support many will not take place.

There are a few core members that attend meetings and organise events but there is a lot more hard work leading up to, and on the event days and this is when extra members are needed. There are currently 45 members on the P.A. Facebook group which is great, so I would urge you to come along to the next meeting to help with the events already planned for the end of term. It is not a life-long commitment, if you can help occasionally that would be great. Obviously the more people we have, the less work for everyone but most things don't take that long: a half hour here, an hour there, but whatever you can offer time-wise is greatly appreciated.

Some of the wonderful events that your children will remember about their time at Wheelwright Lane will come from the extra

events put on by you, our community. Please don't rely on others to provide this; we all have a part to play.

You are all welcome to our next PA meeting on **Thursday 11th May at 4pm** in the school hall.

Extra-curricular activities

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| 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 (starts 2 nd Feb) | Yr2 | 3.15 - 4.15 |
| Friday | Penalty Shoot-out | KS2 | 12.30-1.00 |

Special Educational Needs Event

Better Together! Conference Saturday, 13 May, Rugby, Warwickshire. SENDIAS is running its one-day **Better Together! Conference in Rugby on Saturday, 13 May.**

The conference is for parents, carers and professionals who would like to find out more about supporting children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) in Warwickshire. Please see leaflet attached for details.

New lunch menu

Our new lunch menu has been launched for next week. Copies have been sent home with the children and are also available on our website and the notice board inside the children's entrance to the building. Please take a look at the new menu and help your child choose their meal for the day to help them get used to the choices.

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.

Sainsbury Vouchers

Thank you again for sending in your vouchers. Sainsbury's have now stopped issuing the vouchers as of today. Please check your handbags, purses, pockets etc and send in any vouchers you still have. We cannot use them if they are not sent in before our order deadline for this year. The collection box is in the entrance hall outside the school office.

St Giles Table Top Sale

Table Top Sale at St Giles Parish Hall
Saturday 13th May 1 p.m. till 3 p.m. Admission is free. Please come along and support your local community.



Hiya everyone,

Don't forget there is a meeting on Thursday 11th may,

We'll meet straight after school, in the hall,

the meeting will only be about an hour or so.

There will be plenty of things for the children to play with,

and tea coffee and cake for us!

We will be looking for ideas for the

Father's Day celebration

Schools 80th celebration

So come along and bring your thinking caps!

Hope to see you all there,

The PA