

Tune in on Tuesday

Wheelwright Lane Primary School Newsletter

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Welcome back

What a glorious summer break. The weather was in our favour for once. We hope that you all had a good few weeks with the children and ready for a fresh start.

A big thank you to all parents/carers for ensuring that the children's uniform adheres to the school policy. They all look very sparkly and smart. It sets a professional tone for the children and a 'ready to learn' approach. Thank you!

Diary Dates

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

04.09.18	Children in today
12.09.18	Nursery children start.
28.09.18	Year 4 trip to JLR Solihull
01.10.18	Harvest Assembly with Jen (St Giles)
02.10.18	Year 1 to Ash End Farm
12.10.18	2.30 Year 4 class assembly
22.10.18	3.30-6.00 Parents' Evening
25.10.18	4.30-7.30 Parents' Evening
26.10.18	School finishes 3.15
w.c. 29.10.18	Half term
05.11.18 (Mon)	INSET Training Day
06.11.18 (Tues)	Children back in school

INSET

Monday 3rd September
Monday 5th November
Monday 7th January
+1 other to be decided.

Website updates

The school website has been updated again over the Summer holidays and will continue to be updated over the next two weeks. Please take a look at the updates.

Extra-curricular activities

Activities start the week Monday 10th September

Monday	Chess Club	Y3/4	12.30 – 1.00
	Chess Club	Y3/4	3.20 – 4.15
Tuesday	Tag Rugby	Y3 & Y4	12.30 - 1.00
	Multi-skills	Yr 1 and 2	3.15 - 4.15
Wednesday	Football	Y5/6	12.30 – 1.00
	Dodgeball	Y3 & Y4	3.15 - 4.15
Friday	Penalty Shoot-out	KS2	12.30-1.00

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

Snack bar

The school provides healthy snacks from the kitchen for children at breaktime (prices listed below). Children continue to want this provision and so we are happy to continue to provide this service. Please make sure that you do not send in too much money as they sometimes will spend it all. Also remind your children that they must only buy for themselves as other children's parents may not want them to have certain foods/drinks. Our children are very generous and kind and want to help other children so please explain that sometimes children are not allowed to have certain foods/drinks.

Healthy Snacks available from the snack bar

Bag of fruit =	35p
Toast =	20p
Muffin =	25p
Raisins =	30p
Teacake =	25p
Crumpet =	25p
Fruit juice =	35p
Milk shake =	45p

Congratulations

Wendy Foxall, Nursery Manager, has been appointed as Early Years Centre Lead for a school in Coventry. Wendy was instrumental in setting up our school nursery and has worked tirelessly to ensure its success. We thank her for all her dedication and commitment to the school and wish her every success in her new venture. She will leave the nursery in the

middle of September and Miss McNiff will temporarily take over the role.

Well done Wendy.

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 priced at £2.15 per meal and our preferred method of payment is through Agora payment systems (information on website).

Contact the office if you need any advice.

Agora Payment system

Some of our parents may be experiencing problems logging onto the Agora online payment app at the moment. We are awaiting guidance from Agora on how to proceed with this. This is not affecting all parents so please check to see if you are able to log on if any payments need to be made.

If you have not yet registered for Agora it is important that you do so to enable you to pay for trips etc online as the school are no longer accepting cash

payments. Please contact Mrs Farndon in the school office for details.

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

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.

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.**

It is important to encourage independence in your children and leave them at the entrance door in the morning so that they can organise themselves for the day. Please help them settle in by encouraging them to walk to their classes independently.

My door is always open and I will endeavor to speak to you straight away if possible, depending on my diary commitments. Do