

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.

25.09.19	Y6 trip to Coventry Cathedral
30.09.18	Yr 4 visit to JLR - all day
02.10.19	Yr 1 to Ash End Farm - all day
10.10.19	Yr 5 to Coombe Abbey River Study - a.m. only
18.10.19	2.15 Yr 4 Class Assembly for parents
21.10.19	Flu Immunisations for Rec to Yr. 6
21.10.19	3.30-6.00 Parents' Evening
24.10.19	4.30-7.30 Parents' Evening
25.10.19	2.15 Yr 5 Class Assembly for parents
25.10.18	School finishes 3.15
w.c. 28.10.18	Half term
04.11.18 (Mon)	INSET Training Day
05.11.18 (Tues)	Children back in school

INSET

Monday 4th November
+1 more to be decided

Attendance

YR 88%	Y3 95%	Winner this week is  Y4 with 100% Well Done!
Y1 96%	Y5 95%	
Y2 98%	Y6 95%	

Attendance for week commencing 4th September overall was 96%. Good Attendance achieved.

Extra-curricular activities

Activities start the week Monday 9th September

Monday			
Tuesday	Tag Rugby	Y5 & Y6	12.30 - 1.00
	Dodgeball	Y3 & Y4	3.15 - 4.15
Wednesday	Football	Y3 & Y4	12.30 - 1.00
	Multi skills	Y1 & Y2	3.15 - 4.15
Thursday	Football	Y4/5/6	3.15 - 4.15
Friday	Penalty Shoot-out	KS2	12.30-1.00

School assembly

We were pleased to welcome Rev Gail Phillips (our new Vicar at St Giles Church) and Jen to our assembly on Monday. This was Gail's first assembly with our children. Her message to the children was to embrace all things that are new in our lives and to be confident to try when faced with difficult challenges. Thank you Gail - we will see you again shortly. We have booked in for our regular Christmas Service at St Giles on Friday 20th December at 9.30. Gail would like to invite parents along too.

Memories of a great lady

Some of your families may remember Mrs Netta McNiff, who was Chair of Governors at the school during the 90s. I remember her well as she interviewed me for my teaching position at the school - many years ago. She was a great lady and a formidable character. Sadly, she has passed away at the age of 88. We send our condolences to her family and will keep them all in our prayers at this sad time.

'Netta McNiff was Chair of Governors when I first joined the Governing body in 2002. Having no experience myself of the role of Governor, she was an inspiration. Netta had done so much in Education in her life and as the leader of the Governing body was instrumental in securing improvements to the structure and fabric of our School.

Receiving her seal of approval as a possible Chair was fundamental in my decision to stand for election. Netta had a very 'hands on' approach to being Chair, probably influenced by having been a Head Teacher. She also liked to discuss everything in great detail at Governors meetings, leading to some very late nights!

I am personally glad to have known Netta and Wheelwright Lane School has a great deal to thank her for.

GOD Bless you Netta McNiff.'

Dave Grove Chair of Governors.

Football Team

Congratulations to our School Football Team. At the end of last term they took part in the Bedworth Tournament and won. They were

presented with the Bedworth Schools' Shield which now has our name engraved on it for the first time. Thank you to the children who took part - excellent teamwork and skills.

Thank you also to Mr King and Mr Last who have been coaching them recently.

An excellent result.



Aldi Vouchers for School

From 6th September, Aldi's Kit for Schools promotion is giving 20 primary schools the chance to win £20,000 to kick-start a health legacy for their school. What's more, every school who enters by completing their Aldi's Kit for Schools poster will also receive an exclusive school sports kit! Collect a sticker with every £30 spent in store and fill up your school's poster for a chance to win.

More information on the following website:

<https://www.aldi.co.uk/kitforschools>

We have signed up for collecting Aldi vouchers - please ask your families and friends to send the vouchers to school. There will be a box in the entrance hall to store the vouchers.

BBC's Eat Well For Less

The BBC are looking for families to participate in their programme. Please see the attached flyer for further details of how to get involved.

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 £2.25 per meal and our preferred method of payment is through Agora payment systems (information on website).

Contact the office if you need any advice.

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 the section **Policy on Parental use of Social Networking and Internet Sites** in our Complaints Policy for information - attached.

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 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

Coventry University Family Fun Day - Science

On Saturday 14 September, the University of Warwick will be hosting an extra special Family Day. The event will be a jam-packed day of discovery and exploration. The university's campus will be overtaken with dozens of stalls, workshops, talks, performances and much more.

Highlights include YouTube filmmaker and BAFTA-winning children's presenter, **Maddie Moate**, who will be taking audiences on a journey through the solar system; alongside dinosaur discovery, mosaic making, pottery, and interactive maths.

Relief Midday Supervisor

We are again short of Midday Supervisors at school - it is extremely hard to recruit the right kind of caring adults for only an hour a day. If you or anyone you know who may be interested in being a Relief Midday Supervisor to cover absences for us, please contact Mrs Hull at the school office for details. All applicants will require a DBS Police check.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Linda, one of our Midday Supervisors - on the safe arrival of her beautiful healthy son - Henrick who was born in July. We hope to see her back soon.

PA MEETING

The PA will be holding their next meeting in school on Tuesday 17th September from 2pm - 3pm. Please come along if you would like to be part of our parents team.

Out of school Activities

Messy Harvest

CRAFTS, GAMES, STORIES,
SONGS AND FOOD

FREE EVENT

BUT DONATIONS ARE WELCOME

SUNDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER

3.30 - 5.30

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