

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.

09.11.2020- 09.12.2020	Year 2 phonics testing window
08.12.2020	SATs evening for Yr 6 parents on TEAMS 6pm -7pm
11.12.2020	Christmas Jumper Day
14.12.2020	Flu Immunisation Rec to Yr 6 children
16.12.2020	Deadline date for Christmas hampers - please contact the school office.
16.12.2020	Christmas Dinner (see attached menu)
18.12.2020	Schools closes for Christmas break 2.15 finish

INSET Day Monday 4th January 2021
Monday 22nd February 2021

Christmas Events

Staff and children are working hard to put on a Christmas Nativity play and a Carol Concert this year - albeit virtual and following restrictions and Government guidelines. We are hoping to have this filmed for you to watch at your leisure over the Christmas period on TEAMS. We will continue to keep you updated as to our progress.

Online Safety/Cyberbullying

Cyberbullying has increased since the lockdown in March. Most families have an internet device at home and can use this to communicate with friends and family - it has been a great tool to communicate with our families. Sometimes this can be used to be unkind to others and we have had a few incidents recently where this has


happened. In school we teach online safety through our curriculum. We do encourage parents to also support their children. The internet site <https://www.internetmatters.org/> has some really useful information for parents and children. Please take a few minutes to browse the site.

Thank you Parents/Carers

Thank you to parents/Carers for keeping to the rules/restrictions. You have really helped us in being able to keep our school open since September. Please continue the good work and keep going for a little while longer. **Please wear face masks while on school site and especially if speaking with a member of staff - we all need to keep safe. We all want a Christmas with our loved ones - please help us all to achieve this.** We greatly appreciate your support.

Year 5 and 6 children are using the Skamps entrance - the main school entrance door is still open at 8.40 for siblings.

Attendance

YR 97.7%	Y3 98%	Winners this week are  YR with 99% Well Done!
Y1 95%	Y4 95.7%	
Y2 96.2%	Y6 93.8%	

Attendance for week commencing 30th November overall was 96.6%. Very Good Attendance achieved.

Extra-curricular activities

Activities start the week Monday 9th September

Monday			
Tuesday	Football Skills	Yr3 & Yr4	12.30-1.00
	Multi-skills Tuesday 8 th and 15 th December	Y3 & Y4	3.15-4.15
Wednesday	Football Skills	Y5 & Y6	12.30 - 1.00
	Multi-skills Wednesday 9 th and 16 th December	Y1 & Y2	3.15-4.15
Friday	Penalty Shoot-out	KS2	12.30-1.00
	Dance Club Friday 4 th and 11 th December	Yr1 & Yr2	3.00-4.00

We are able to start our after-school sports activities from Friday 4th December starting with Dance - great news for the children.

School Council



Our School Council held their first meeting last week on TEAMS. The School Council representatives spoke on behalf of their class and all children were able to join in through TEAMS. They were all very respectful and professional.

The children talked about what they liked about the school and what they want the school to be like, for example: calm, kind and caring. This will form part of our new Relationships Policy (formerly Behaviour Management Policy). We will share this with you when it has been completed.

Applying for Reception

Please make sure you have applied for your child's Reception place for September 2021 by 15th January 2021. For Warwickshire schools use the following website.

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/applying-school-place-reception/apply-school-place-reception/1>

For Coventry schools use the following website:

https://www.coventry.gov.uk/info/148/school_admissions/114/primary_school_admissions/2

Contacting School

The numbers of Coronavirus infections have increased all around the country and many schools in the local area have sent bubbles home due to positive cases. **It is important that you ring the school office if you are given information regarding a positive case in your family and you need to isolate.**

On many occasions parents are given the information of a positive case when the school is closed - this causes delay to the track and trace system.

The school has a new out-of-hours phone that parents can contact after 6 o'clock at night and early in the morning to be used for reporting a positive coronavirus test.

If you are advised that someone in your household has tested positive and it is out of hours then please call this number: 07704064023. At all other times ring the school office.

Covid Winter Grant Scheme

The Government has recently made available COVID-19 Winter Grant Scheme funding to support those most in need across England with the cost of food, energy, water bills and other essentials. This funding is ring-fenced and available from December until the end of March 2021 for Warwickshire families and individuals facing hardship during this winter. The objective of the COVID-19 Winter Grant Scheme is to provide support to vulnerable households and families with children particularly affected by the pandemic throughout the winter period where alternative sources of assistance may be unavailable. The council will be administering the allocation from the COVID-19 Winter Grant Scheme through the Local Welfare Scheme. Further information on the Local Welfare Scheme can be found at:

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/localwelfarescheme

Flu Vaccinations

The Nasal Flu Vaccination will take place in school on **Monday 14th December** for Years Reception to Year 6 inclusive.

The immunisation team have advised that consent forms will be online this year. A letter has been sent via Teachers2Parents providing

more information. When your form has been successfully uploaded you will receive a confirmation reference number from the immunisation team.

School Christmas Lunch Menu

On **Wednesday 16th December** we will be serving a special festive menu for Christmas. A copy of the menu is attached for your information.

Winter Closures

As you know, we endeavour to stay open whenever possible in the case of bad weather. If for any reason we do need to close we will:

- contact you by text (we can operate this system from home)
- update the website with a news flash (check www.wheelwrightlane.warwickshire.sch.uk)
- update Warwickshire Central Website (check www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures)
- alert local radio stations

Please ensure we have your up to date contact details!

Art Projects for Schools

The order from Art projects for schools has now arrived in school. It currently includes Christmas cards, tags and wrapping paper orders.

Please be advised that any mug orders will be despatched in 5 - 7 working days after the arrival of the cards.

Parents will receive any late orders directly to their home address 5-7 working days after the main order.

