

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.

04.12.19	P.M.- Nursery parents Forest School craft session 1.30 start
06.12.19	Christmas Grotto and 3.30 Christmas Fair - PA event
10.12.19	9.30 Grandparents/families Christmas Performance for N/R/Yr1/Yr2 1.45 Christmas Performance for N/R/Yr1/Yr2 parents
11.12.19	1.45 Christmas Performance for N/R/Yr1/Yr2 parents
12.12.19	School Christmas Dinner
17.12.19	Y3/4/5/6 - Snow Queen theatre trip - Birmingham
17.12.19	Nursery Stay and Play for new starters 1.30-3.00
18.12.19	N/Rec/Y1/Y2 - Father Christmas theatre trip - Warwick Art Centre
18.12.19	9.15 Carol concert for Yr3/4/5/6 parents
19.12.19	1.45 Carol concert for Yr3/4/5/6 parents
20.12.19	9.30 Christmas Service at St Giles for the whole school
20.12.19	School finishes at 2.15 - No Nursery wraparound club
06.01.20	Children back today
06.01.20	p.m. Sky Blues sport in for Yr 5 children 1.15 - 2.45
13.01.20	Yr 4 to Poole's Cavern Depart 8.15 Arrive back at 4.30

INSET 1 more day to be decided.

PLEASE NOTE

Coventry school holidays may differ to Warwickshire for February and May half term. Please check websites for details.

Attendance

YR 97%	Y4 96%	Winner's this week are ★ Y3 with 99.3% Well Done!
Y1 99%	Y5 90%	
Y2 99%	Y6 98%	

Attendance for week commencing 25th November overall was 97%. Very good attendance achieved.

Extra-curricular activities

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			
Friday	Penalty Shoot-out	KS2	12.30-1.00

Dodgeball



Our Year 5 and 6 children entered the Bedworth Schools' Dodgeball Competition last week. They had a great time beating many of the opposition teams and represented the school very well. They came a worthy second overall - great team effort.

Visitors to Year 2

Year 2 children have had many visitors over the last two weeks. Dr Ahmed came in to talk about



her role as a G.P. She talked to the children about the importance of personal hygiene and how to avoid nasty bugs and microbes. She also spent time telling the children how to stay safe and not to eat things they find lying around that may look like sweets - as they may be prescribed tablets.



Mrs Lapsley came to teach the children about Florence Nightingale and her role in the Crimean War - Mrs Lapsley is a bit of an expert on this. The children were in role as nurses and injured soldiers for the day - a great experience for all the children and staff.



Mr Gannon came in to talk about his experiences as a soldier and the importance of being organised. He explained to the children

the importance of keeping your kit and belongings clean and tidy and to keep yourself clean and tidy too.



Mr Pook also came in to talk to the children about his experiences as a soldier. He brought along medals and photographs and talked to the children about organisation and teamwork.

Thank you to all our visitors for sharing their experiences - a great way for the children to learn. Please let staff know if you have a career/job you would like to share with the children.

Christmas Fair

The P.A. have continued to race ahead with the arrangements for the Christmas Fair on Friday from 3.30 - 5.00pm. We will let the children out at 3.15 and then open the doors again at 3.30 for the fair.

There will be stalls selling a variety of crafts and gifts (parent stalls and external gift and craft suppliers).

We will be using the Yr, 5 and 6 classes for some of the stalls as well as the hall, so please make sure that you visit the classrooms too. Tea and coffee will be available in the 5/6 hub; hot food will be available on the KS2 playground; Santa's grotto will be in the entrance hall.

Please leave pushchairs outside on the playground. We do not have space for them inside school.

Essential work to gas pipes on Wheelwright Lane and Burbages Lane

We have been informed that essential work to the gas pipes outside the school along Wheelwright Lane and all the way down Burbages Lane will be carried out over the next few weeks. The work was due to start on Monday 11th November and last up to Christmas. The footpath along the right hand side of Burbages Lane (from the top near the school to the bottom) will be closed in sections and pedestrians will be advised to use the opposite side. Please be aware that parking will be very limited as there will be extra lorries and vans parked in the lane. There may be temporary traffic lights and I will let you know as soon as I have this information. Please allow yourselves extra time in the morning to park and bring the children in to school.

I will keep you updated with the progress

Tickets for Christmas Play

A letter went out last week with the details of the Christmas play to be performed by Yrs N/R/1/2. Please return with the date and number of tickets (maximum of two) needed. We will be sending out a letter for tickets for our Christmas Carol concerts this week for Yrs 3/4/5/6.

We will always try to allocate the dates you request but are limited to seats in the hall due to fire regulations and therefore if we are unable to do so, we will do our best to offer an alternative date.

All children are very excited and busy rehearsing for their performances.

PA Events

The P.A. have mapped out their plans for the coming year and have some exciting events for the children and families.

06.12.19	Christmas Fair (3.30) and Santa's Grotto Day - more details to follow
	More events from January - just finalising dates

The P.A. provide a wonderful service for the children and families of the school. They are only a small band of four parents and without their effort last year we would not be able to subsidise our Christmas trips again this year or purchase recorders for Year 3 children. If you can spare any time to support their events then please let them or Mrs Walker in the school office know.

Family Support Hubs

Across Warwickshire, in Nuneaton, Bedworth, North Warwickshire, Rugby, Warwick and Stratford, Family Support Workers are available to listen to families and professionals and support with issues that families may be facing. The Family Support Hub at St Michaels Centre, Bedworth is open daily for families to drop-in for advice and support. (Further information to follow)

The Family Support Workers can offer telephone support with issues around:

- child behaviour
- routines and boundaries
- sleep
- toileting
- eating and related issues
- social and emotional development
- parental isolation
- parental conflict
- any other support for parenting

They may be able to help you over the phone there and then, they may signpost you to a drop-in session for a face to face conversation, they may signpost you to the Family Information Service or they may signpost you book on to a parenting course or workshop.

For support around debt, housing, finance or information around childcare providers, please contact the Family Information Service on 01926742274 or visit

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/children-families>

Peanut Allergies

We have a few children in school who have severe nut allergies. We are asking you not to send in any items that may contain nuts including Nutella products, snickers bars etc. Thank you for your cooperation in ensuring all of our children are safe.

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!

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 Walker at the school office for details. All applicants will require a DBS Police check.

Out of School Activities

Coventry Blaze

There's no better way to build-up to Christmas than by joining the Coventry Blaze Ice Hockey Team for three fantastic festive games at the Skydome Arena.

GAME 1: Sunday 15th December vs. Dundee Stars (5.30pm)

Includes FREE post-game skate with the Blaze players

GAME 2: Sunday 22nd December vs. Guildford Flames (5.30pm)

Christmas themed game. Includes FULL team signing post-game

GAME 3: Saturday 28th December vs. Nottingham Panthers (7pm)

Promotional tickets **limited** for this game. Book early to avoid disappointment.

It doesn't get any more exciting than hockey at Christmas time and the Blaze would be thrilled if you, family, friends and colleagues could join them for any of the games.

Tickets are available to our school, for a very special Sport in the Community price of:

ADULTS £10 - UNDER 16'S £7 (per-game)

(Usual price adults £18 - under-16's £10)

To book tickets for any (or all) of the games:

Email: coventryblazehockey@gmail.com