

Tune in on Tuesday

Wheelwright Lane Primary School Newsletter

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School Expansion

Nursery and Reception children were fabulous last week. They very quickly settled into their 'bubbles' and produced some excellent work by the end of the week. They were all very tired by Friday and looking forward to a rest over the weekend.

Our reset plans worked well and parents were very helpful in staying two metres apart and sticking to their allotted times for drop off and pick up.

Our next stage of the plan is to welcome back Year 1 children and we hope to do this from next Monday 22nd June.

I will be writing a letter to Year 1 parents to inform them of the procedures in place for their children from next Monday. This will be emailed later today.

Transition

Children new to Nursery and reception should have received their induction packs with all the information needed to start at our school. Mrs Harris and Miss McNiff will be sending out presentations to explain the new starter procedures.

Transition for other groups will come out shortly.

School on-line learning

It is great to see so many children accessing the on-line learning through Teams. I access all the class Teams and find out all about the children and how everyone is doing - it is a great programme to keep up with all of the children and families. You are doing a wonderful job and I thank you.

From this week most teachers will be conducting on-line, face-to-face lessons - some have been doing this already. Please look out for the invites to on-line lessons through Teams. We have set the timetable as follows:

9.30	-	Year 2 - Mrs Wall/Mrs Conroy
10.00	-	Year 3 - Mrs Hammonds/Mrs Pape
10.30	-	Year 6 - Mr Trew
11.00	-	Year 4 Mrs Haughey/Mrs Conroy
11.00	-	Year 5 - Mrs Essex/Mrs Hunt
11.30	-	Year 1 - Mrs Ford

Teachers will be teaching new concepts during these lessons and checking on children's progress. This will be the way we will be teaching for a while to come so please encourage your children to engage with this.

If you still need support with Teams please contact Mrs Frith at the school and she will support.

School Photographs

The school photographer's lab is still closed. Mrs Farndon calls them weekly to track the progress of the school photographs. Hopefully, it will not be too much longer as the country recovers from lock-down.

Updated Handwashing Advice

Latest government guidance:

It is essential that everyone washes their hands more often, using soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Hand washing with soap employs mechanical action that loosens bacteria and viruses from the skin, rinsing them into the drain. Drying hands afterwards makes the skin less hospitable to the virus. Hand sanitiser can be effective if soap is not available or the situation makes using soap less feasible (i.e. when outside) but using hand sanitiser provides none of the virus-destroying friction that rubbing your hands together and rinsing with water provides.

Warwickshire on-line resources database

Warwickshire Education and ICT Development Service have established a process to review free online learning resources. All of the resources have been reviewed by a team of teaching staff from across Warwickshire schools. Each resource has been reviewed by at least two members of staff with their comments and ratings combined in a single review.

This can be accessed by parents and will support when looking for on-line resources to support your child's learning. Please look at the website:

<https://sites.google.com/welearn365.com/wcc>
[hl](#)

Useful Information

Useful website for mental well-being:

Every Mind Matters

<https://www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters/>

School Health and Well-being Service - Compass

A health and wellbeing update from your school nurse team: During the Coronavirus outbreak, the Warwickshire School Health and Well-being Service are still available to provide support - even if this may be given in a different way to usual! As such, the team will now be sending a weekly update to schools, where they will share resources, helpful tips, and relevant news and details of the support available for pupils and parents/carers. Newsletter attached.

Warwickshire County Council Coronavirus support line

Warwickshire County Council have set up a coronavirus helpline for parents/carers. Please take a look.

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/coronavirus>

Please contact if you are unsure about anything or would like answers to any questions you may have.

Holiday Club

I am aware that a few parents have used the Holiday Club over the summer holidays run by Skamps on our school site. Unfortunately Skamps will not be running the club this year. This facility was also used by other Bedworth schools.

As a group of schools we have asked the Local Authority (LA) to look into what else may be on offer over the summer break. They are currently in discussions with other providers to find ways to support families. They need to know the numbers of children that would be using this facility. If you think that you would require the 'Holiday Club' facility for this summer please telephone Mrs Walker in the office and let her know - we will collate the numbers for the L.A.

As soon as I have more information I will let you know.

Free School Meals

If you are entitled to FSM then please sign up using the links on the school website. Once you have been accepted we will be notified and be able to forward supermarket vouchers (now takes the place of FSM).

There is also support available from the Warwickshire Welfare Service with regards to energy bills and other financial assistance. Please look at the website:

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/localwelfare-scheme>

If you would like to be put forward for a foodbank parcel please telephone the school and we can arrange this for you.

Family Information Service

Please check out the latest information from the FIS.

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

No Excuse for Abuse

Information received from **West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioner**, as follows:

There is #NoExcuseForAbuse

If you are a victim of #DomesticAbuse, there is help available.

Find out more and seek support.

NoExcuseForAbuse.info

Twitter Tags: @CRASAC @coventry_haven

@FWTCov @Kairos_WWT @CovPartnership

Facebook: @FWTCov @CoventryHaven

@relatecoventrywarwickshire @CRASAC

@Kairos.Coventry

Please also check the National Centre for Domestic Violence website below:

<https://www.ncdvmagazine.co.uk/>



A health and wellbeing update from your school nurse team

The Warwickshire School Health & Wellbeing Service is still here to provide support - even if this may be given in a different way to usual! Here's our latest newsletter with useful links, wellbeing advice, and details of how you can get help when you need it.

It's Wellbeing Wake-Up time! These fun weekly videos for primary school children and parents/carers are filled with activities you can try as a family to promote wellbeing: cutt.ly/wellbeing-wakeup-4

Carers Week

This week is Carers Week, a chance to raise understanding of what it means to be a carer and to provide support to those with caring responsibilities.

What does being a carer mean?

Being a carer means supporting somebody who needs help because they are ill, disabled, or misusing drugs or alcohol. It means doing this for free, usually for a relative or partner, as opposed to being a paid care worker. Being a young carer means taking on this responsibility from a young age because someone close to you needs this kind of support.

What sort of things might a carer have to do?

Caring can involve lots of different things. It might mean helping someone get washed and dressed, making meals for them, or helping them manage their medication. It could also mean providing emotional support, or all of these things. Being a young carer often means taking on responsibilities that a parent usually has, such as shopping, cooking, and taking care of younger siblings. Watch this video to better understand what it means to be a young carer: cutt.ly/day-in-the-life-young-carer

Challenges of being a carer

Being a carer can be a challenge. For adults, juggling caring with other responsibilities may cause financial strain, exhaustion, mental and physical health problems, and difficulties in relationships. Being a young carer can affect self-confidence, cause struggles with education due to missing school or not being able to complete homework, and in some instances can lead to bullying. Carers may feel isolated in their role, particularly in the current pandemic.

If you are a carer, remember to ask for help

You don't have to do everything alone. There is support available for both adult and young carers. Take a look at our resources below which include local support groups, and remember, we are here to help as well. If you're a young carer struggling with school work, tell a teacher who will be able to help you get the right support. Remember, you are doing a brilliant job and are a very special person who is making a difference in the lives of others.

Resources - for adult carers

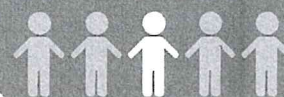
warwickshire.gov.uk/carers
www.carersuk.org
carers.org
cutt.ly/nhs-carers

For young carers

warwickshireyoungcarers.org.uk
cutt.ly/childline-young-carers
cutt.ly/nhs-young-carers-rights
cutt.ly/yc-covid-loneliness
cutt.ly/naomis-story

DID YOU KNOW?

As many as 1 in 5
children in the UK
are young carers!



Useful links

Returning to school after lockdown

Gov guidance for parents/carers:
cutt.ly/gov-guidance

Illustrated story for younger children about 'Going to school in a bubble':
cutt.ly/illustrated-book

Animation for children 'While we can't hug':
cutt.ly/while-we-cant-hug-video

Advice for parents/carers on supporting your child as they return: cutt.ly/supporting-school-return

Activities to do at home

Change4Life activities & games:
nhs.uk/change4life/activities

Try out some 5-minute crafts:
cutt.ly/5-minute-crafts

'Try this at home' activities from NHM: cutt.ly/nhm

Simple, healthy recipes for kids:
cutt.ly/bbc-recipes

Home learning resources

Home Learning Fun Facebook group:
cutt.ly/facebook-learning-fun

Compass celebrity learning timetable:
cutt.ly/learning-timetable

Free education & fun downloads for children:
cutt.ly/free-activities

Info and education resources for children and young people with SEND: cutt.ly/SEND-education

STEM home learning resources:
stem.org.uk/home-learning

COVID-19 family guidance

Compass info & resources for parents/carers:
cutt.ly/coronavirus-parents-carers

Resources for people with autism and families: cutt.ly/autism-resources

Information for Warwickshire families:
warwickshire.gov.uk/fis

Support accessing food:
cutt.ly/accessing-food-advice

Refuge Domestic Abuse Service Warwickshire:
Call 0800 408 1552
cutt.ly/refuge-warwks

Emotional and mental health resources

Resources for professionals, parents/carers and young people: camhs-resources.co.uk

Every Mind Matters: Coronavirus & wellbeing
nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters

Young Minds Coronavirus support:
cutt.ly/young-minds-coronavirus

RISE resources: cwrise.com

For urgent support with mental health for children and young people, please call the 24/7 CW RISE supportline:

02476 641 799 between 8am and 8pm
0300 200 0011 outside these hours

Your school nurse team is here to help!

We know these times can be unsettling for children, young people and families. Our school nurse team is here to provide support with any concerns or questions about health and wellbeing: get in touch using the details below for free, confidential advice.

Parents/carers

Service mainline: 03300 245 204
Text Parentline: 07520 619 376

Children/young people aged 11–19 years

Text ChatHealth: 07507 331 525

Just a quick question that's been on my mind the past few days

No problem, we're here to help. What's on your mind?



www.compass-uk.org/services/warwickshire-school-health-wellbeing-service