

# Tune in on Tuesday

Wheelwright Lane Primary School Newsletter

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## Diary Dates

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

Tuesday 05.01.2021	Children return - staggered start and departure times continue.
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**INSET Day Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021**

## School Procedures

We are looking forward to welcoming all children back from tomorrow.

In line with Warwickshire Authority guidance our school will be open from Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January for ALL children. As you are aware we follow Government and Authority guidance - if this guidance changes you will be contacted immediately by text in order to make further arrangements.

Our Risk Assessment remains in place and all procedures will continue as in previous months. We will continue to use the staggered start and finish times as follows:

Early Years - Reception and Nursery

Start: 8.45 (doors open at 8.40) Finish 3.15

Years 1 and 2

Start: 9.05                      Finish: 3.00

Years 3 and 4

Start: 8.55                      Finish : 3.10

Years 5 and 6

Start: 8.45(Skamps entrance) Finish 3.20

If you are coming on to school grounds then you must use a face covering - I know that many of you already do and I thank you for your care and understanding. We all recognise the

importance of protecting parents and staff from this current more virulent infection. I can only run the school if the staff stay well - I have no extra support staff to cover - please help the school by doing all that you can to protect yourselves, your children and staff.

Any child that is unable to attend school for health or self-isolating reasons will be expected to use the TEAMS for home learning. Tapestry will be used for Early Years. For all other year groups work will be set on TEAMS. Please check this daily.


Face to face teaching will commence w.c. 11<sup>th</sup> January. Live lessons as follows:

Years 1/2/3 9.15 to 10.15

Years 4/5/6 11.00 to 12.00

If your child is unwell please do not send them in to school. Contact the school office and we can discuss symptoms and testing if necessary.

## Attendance

YR 96%	Y4 95.3%	Winners this week are  Y2 with 99.2% <b>Well Done!</b>
Y1 96.7%	Y5 98%	
Y3 96%	Y6 95.5%	

Attendance for last term has been excellent - thank you all for keeping the children going.

## Extra-curricular activities

Activities start the week Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September

Monday			
Tuesday	Football Skills	Yr3 & Yr4	12.30-1.00

	Multi Skills	Y3 & Y4	3.15-4.14
	Booster	Yr 6	3.20-4.30
Wednesday	Football Skills	Y5 & Y6	12.30 - 1.00
	Multi-skills	Y1 & Y2	3.15-4.15
	Booster	Yr 6	3.20-4.30
Friday	Penalty Shoot-out	KS2	12.30-1.00

## Family Information Services

'We are living in unprecedented times, and our lives are changing very quickly. It seems there is new information every day, and even the language we are using has changed, this time last year we had never heard of furlough and living life in bubbles was an unknown. At Family Information Service (FIS), information is our business, we know there is so much information out there that it can be hard to know where to turn, we have listed below some free advice services available locally which are there to support families in Warwickshire. If you aren't sure which service can help you or would like some support to access these services, please contact the Family Information Service. Details of how to contact the Family Information Service helpline and the Family Support Work duty line along with other services can be found on the attached briefing paper.'

Please see attached

## 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](http://www.wheelwrightlane.warwickshire.sch.uk))
- update Warwickshire Central Website (check [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures))
- alert local radio stations

Please ensure we have your up to date contact details!

## Applying for Reception

Please make sure you have applied for your child's Reception place for September 2021 by 15<sup>th</sup> 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](https://www.coventry.gov.uk/info/148/school_admissions/114/primary_school_admissions/2)

## 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](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/localwelfarescheme)