

Tune in on Tuesday

Wheelwright Lane Primary School Newsletter

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Diary Dates

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

23.06.2022	6.00 New Nursery Parents Information Evening - school hall
24.6.2022	Year 5 Sing concert Warwick Arts Centre
27.06.2022	a.m. Year 1 visit to St Giles Church
06.07.2022	Induction Day
06.07.2022	Nursery Stay and Play session (pm)
07.07.2022	Year 2 to Warwick Castle
11.07.2022	New Reception children - Home visits.
12.07.2022	p.m. Sports Day (if raining then Wednesday 13 th July) Parents welcome
14.07.2022	Year 1 to visit The Mosque a.m.
15.07.2022	School reports out today
18.07.2022	3.15 - Meet your child's new class teacher
19.07.2022	6.00 Year 6 Play for parents/carers (tea/coffee/cakes for afterwards)
21.07.2022	School finishes for Summer 2.15
Wednesday 7th September	Children return to school

2021/22-Extra Bank Holiday Friday 22nd July - School finishes Thursday 21st July at 2.15.

2022/23 INSET days: Monday 5th September

Tuesday 6th September

Friday 7th October

Tuesday 3rd January 2023

(1 more day to be set)

Extra-curricular activities

New groups will be allocated from 25th April

Monday			
Tuesday	Tag Rugby	Y5 & Y6	12.30 - 1.00
	Multiskills	Y4 & Y5 & Y6	3.15 - 4.15

Wednesday	Football	Y3 & Y4	12.30 - 1.00
	Multi-skills	Y1 & Y2 & Y3	3.15 - 4.15
Friday	Dance	Y1 and Y2	3.15-4.15

Parents' Association

Our P.A. met and have arranged the following events for the children.

30.06.2022	School Disco £2.00 (you can pay on the night) R/1/2: 5.00-6.00 3/4/5/6: 6.15 -7.15 Drinks included in the fee
30.06.2022	Uniform sale - quality items available for a donation (5.00-7.15)

We had another member join our very small team - thank you. We could do with a few more - if you have the time please speak to Katie, Sam or Leanne.

The PA are making arrangements for the Christmas Fair - please come along to the next meeting if you can support.

Payment for trips

We are mindful that funds may be a little tight in some households. If you are not able to pay for your child's trip in one go then please contact the office and we can make further arrangements for you - all confidential.

Health and Safety Governor

Our Governing Body is in need of a Health and Safety Governor. You do not need to be a H&S representative in your own job - training will be given. If you would like to join the Governors in the school and can offer your services then please contact myself or Mrs Turner in the office. I am happy to answer any questions you may have about the role of a Wheelwright Lane Governor.

Medical Appointments

Please telephone the office with details of your child's medical appointment in advance of the day, if possible. We are having phone calls just minutes before the children have their appointments. Please also let Mrs Turner have a copy of the appointment letter for her records.

Social Media

Again we are having issues around social media and children's online behaviour. I am attaching a poster for Snapchat for parents - please keep an eye on your child's online behaviour and discuss any issues with them directly.

Lateness

The main door will close at 8.55. It is expected that children will be in school and in class by this time.

Lessons start at 8.55 prompt.

Summer Play scheme

The NB Leisure Trust will be running a playscheme during the Summer holidays. Please see the attached information for more details.

Correspondence

Please direct all correspondence to the office at admin2021@welearn365.com.

Mrs Turner will ensure that your correspondence goes to the correct adult in school.

Please do not email teachers directly.

Cleaner Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy at Wheelwright Lane for a cleaner from September 2022. All the details are on our school website if you or anyone you know is interested.

Attendance

LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME

UPDATED INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

The parents of children of compulsory school age are required to ensure that they attend school on a regular basis. The Supreme Court has made clear that attending school 'regularly' means that the children must attend school on every day that they are required to do so. As such, the parents of any child who is absent from school without authorisation for any length of time are likely to be considered as committing an offence under s444 of the Education Act 1996.

Head Teachers retain the ability to authorise leave in accordance with the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006. When considering such requests for a leave of absence, the school are obliged to act within the law. Head Teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application. If the leave is granted, head

teachers are able to determine the number of school days a child can be absent for.

It is for the Head Teacher to decide what is 'exceptional' and it is at their discretion if the circumstances warrant the leave to be granted. The school can only consider Leave of Absence requests which are made by the 'resident' parent.

Each application for a leave of absence will be considered on a case by case basis and on its own merits.

Where applications for leave of absence are made in advance and refused, the child will be required to be in school on the dates set out in the application. If the child is absent during that period, it will be recorded as an unauthorised absence.

Failure to make an application for leave in advance will result in the absence being recorded as an unauthorised absence.

Your child's progress academically as well as socially is our shared priority

SUMMER

PLAY

SCHEME

KEEP THE MONSTERS BUSY!

NBLEISURE
TRUST



Monday 25th July - Friday 2nd September 2022 (6 weeks)
Full week £60.00 (not running on 29/8/2022 BH)

9AM - 4PM

Extended hours also available
8am-9am & 4pm-5.30pm at an extra cost

AGES 5 - 12 YEARS

WE'RE ACCEPTING
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guy.blissett@nbleisuretrust.org



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OUR LADY & ST JOSEPHS ACADEMY

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Reg No: EY472929

WHEELWRIGHT LANE

(ASH GREEN, COVENTRY, CV7 9HN)

&

MIDDLEMARCH JUNIOR SCHOOL

(NUNEATON, CV10 7BQ)

To speak to a member of our
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What Parents & Carers Need to Know about WHATSAPP



WhatsApp is the world's most popular messaging service, with around two billion users exchanging texts, photos, videos and documents, as well as making voice and video calls. Its end-to-end encryption means messages can only be viewed by the sender and any recipients: not even WhatsApp can read them. Updates to its privacy policy in 2021 (involving sharing data with parent company Facebook) caused millions to leave the app, but the new policy was widely misinterpreted – it only related to WhatsApp's business features, not to personal messages.



WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

SCAMS

Fraudsters occasionally send WhatsApp messages pretending to offer prizes – encouraging the user to click on a link to win. Other common scams involve warning someone that their WhatsApp subscription has run out (aiming to dupe them into disclosing payment details) or impersonating a friend or relative and asking for money to be transferred to help with an emergency.

DISAPPEARING MESSAGES

Users can set WhatsApp messages to disappear in 24 hours, 7 days or 90 days by default. Photos and videos can also be instructed to disappear after the recipient has viewed them. These files can't be saved or forwarded – so if your child was sent an inappropriate message, it would be difficult to prove any wrongdoing. However, the receiver can take a screenshot and save that as evidence.

ENABLING FAKE NEWS

WhatsApp has unfortunately been linked to accelerating the spread of dangerous rumours. In India in 2018, some outbreaks of mob violence appear to have been sparked by false allegations being shared on the app. WhatsApp itself took steps to prevent its users circulating hazardous theories and speculation in the early weeks of the Covid-19 pandemic.

POTENTIAL CYBERBULLYING

Group chat and video calls are great for connecting with multiple people in WhatsApp, but there is always the potential for someone's feelings to be hurt by an unkind comment or joke. The 'only admins' feature gives the admin(s) of a group control over who can send messages. They can, for example, block people from posting in a chat, which could make a child feel excluded and upset.

CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

To start a WhatsApp chat, you only need the mobile number of the person you want to message (the other person also needs to have the app). WhatsApp can access the address book on someone's device and recognise which of their contacts also use the app. So if your child has ever given their phone number to someone they don't know, that person could use it to contact them via WhatsApp.

LOCATION SHARING

The 'live location' feature lets users share their current whereabouts, allowing friends to see their movements. WhatsApp describes it as a "simple and secure way to let people know where you are." It is a useful method for a young person to let loved ones know they're safe – but if they used it in a chat with people they don't know, they would be exposing their location to them, too.

Advice for Parents & Carers

CREATE A SAFE PROFILE

Even though someone would need a child's phone number to add them as a contact, it's also worth altering a young person's profile settings to restrict who can see their photo and status. The options are 'everyone', 'my contacts' and 'nobody' – choosing one of the latter two ensures that your child's profile is better protected.



EXPLAIN ABOUT BLOCKING

If your child receives spam or offensive messages, calls or files from a contact, they should block them using 'settings' in the chat. Communication from a blocked contact won't show up on their device and stays undelivered. Blocking someone does not remove them from your child's contact list – so they also need to be deleted from the address book.



REPORT POTENTIAL SCAMS

Young people shouldn't engage with any message that looks suspicious or too good to be true. When your child receives a message from an unknown number for the first time, they'll be given the option to report it as spam. If the sender claims to be a friend or relative, call that person on their usual number to verify it really is them, or if it's someone trying to trick your child.



LEAVE A GROUP

If your child is in a group chat that is making them feel uncomfortable, or has been added to a group that they don't want to be part of, they can use WhatsApp's group settings to leave. If someone exits a group, the admin can add them back in once; If they leave a second time, it is permanent.



THINK ABOUT LOCATION

If your child needs to use the 'live location' function to show you or one of their friends where they are, advise them to share their location only for as long as they need to. WhatsApp gives a range of 'live location' options, and your child should manually stop sharing their position as soon as it is no longer needed.



DELETE ACCIDENTAL MESSAGES

If your child posts a message they want to delete, WhatsApp allows the user seven minutes to erase a message. Tap and hold on the message, choose 'delete' and then 'delete for everyone.' However, it's important to remember that recipients may have seen (and taken a screenshot of) a message before it was deleted.



CHECK THE FACTS

You can now fact-check WhatsApp messages that have been forwarded at least five times, by double-tapping the magnifying glass icon to the right of the message. From there, your child can launch a Google search and decide for themselves whether the message was true or not.



Meet Our Expert

Parven Kaur is a social media expert and digital media consultant who is passionate about improving digital literacy for parents and children. She has extensive experience in the social media arena and is the founder of Kids N Clicks; a web resource that helps parents and children thrive in a digital world.



National Online Safety
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