

Wheelwright Lane News

18th April 2023



Headteacher Message

We hope you have all enjoyed a lovely Easter break and have spent time with family and friends. The children have been full of exciting news about trips away, holidays and comparing how many Easter eggs they received! It is lovely that the children have returned well rested and ready to start the summer term!



Rock Steady

The children had a very exciting start to their first Monday back with a visit from Rock Steady. Jamie, an experienced musician and band member gave the children a most



fantastic demonstration of guitar playing, keyboard and drumming as well as an incredible performance of popular and familiar songs. The children all joined in with singing and clapping and the hall was buzzing with energy by 9:30am! It was a lovely way to start our summer term. The

children have all received a letter about joining the Rock Steady music sessions every Monday in school. If you would like your child to attend the sessions please do sign up using the details on the Rock Steady letter. Alternatively see the attached letter for further information.



SATs in progress

This term our year 2 and year 6 children will take the statutory government tests. All year groups have regular testing and assessments, both formative and summative and this is an important part of tracking your child's progress over time. As a staff our philosophy is very much that all children develop at different rates and at different times. We also place a high emphasis on our children's

well being. We encourage children to use their learning behaviours and value that learning is ongoing and never final. Although SATs can be unsettling for parents and pupils we approach everything with positivity and a strong belief in our learning behaviours and relationship motto of Be Kind Be Safe Be Fair. We are all working together to raise positive, well rounded young people. All children have their own unique personalities, skills and talents that we nurture.

School Photos



School photos will take place this Friday 21st April. Children with sibling that are NOT school age are welcome to join

their brother/sister in school from 8:15am. Children who have siblings IN school will be photographed during the school day.

Kings Coronation – 8th May



Monday 8th May will be the King's Coronation and will be a bank holiday. The school will be closed but will re-open on Tuesday 9th

May. We are busy making arrangements for the Coronation celebrations which will take place the week before. The children will celebrate this event in their classes and there will also be opportunities for us to come together as a school. Please look out for next week's newsletter where we will give you further updates on our arrangements.



Attendance

Last week of our spring term our attendance was 92%.

This is below our expected standard of 96%



Class Attendance

Reception	92%
Year 1	84%
Year 2	99%
Year 3	94%
Year 4	84%
Year 5	99%
Year 6	93%

Well done to year 2 and year 5 who jointly won the attendance trophy in the last week of term.

Diary Dates

Date	Year	Event Details
1 st May	ALL	Bank Holiday School Closed
8 th May	ALL	Kings Coronation School Closed
9 th May	YEAR 6	SATS begins
10 th May	Year 1	Trip to Ryton Pools
15 th May	Year 6	Parent Coffee morning at Ash Green school for new pupils TBC
17 th May	Year 6	Trip to Cadbury World
26 th May	ALL	Break Up Half Term
Monday 5th June	All years	Inset Day School Closed to pupils

Our friendly Learning Behaviours!



Best Wishes

Miss Rutherford

Headteacher.



Be Kind, Be Safe, Be Fair