



School Bulletin

Wharton CE Primary School, Winsford, Cheshire, CW7 3EP

Date **16th February 2024**

Train up a child in the way they should go and when they are old they will not depart from it – Proverbs 22 v 6

USEFUL DATES:

February/March.

February half term 16th- 26th Feb

Yr6 Condoover residential- 6th- 8th March

World book day - 7th March

Red Nose Day – 15th March

Parents evening - 19th & 20th March

Non-uniform Day for Easter Bingo – 22nd March

International Maths Day – 22nd March

Easter Bingo – 27th March

Break up for Easter Thursday 28th March



Can parents/carers please note that request for absence that has not been authorised will result in a fixed penalty notice. The Government discourages taking holidays in term time. Evidence shows that children who miss school do not achieve as well as those who attend regularly. The law has restricted a Head Teacher's ability to authorise holidays during term time. Head Teachers are now only empowered to approve a leave of absence when it is requested in advance by the parent or carer with whom the child resides and when circumstances of the requested leave are 'exceptional'.

Should you still choose to take a holiday with your child during this period the Local Authority will be informed as this will constitute an unauthorised absence. A Fixed Penalty Notice will then be issued in accordance with section 444 of the Education Act 1996.

The law stipulates that the current penalties payable by parents are £60 when the penalty is paid within 21 days and £120 when the penalty is paid within 28 days. This penalty is per parent/carer per child.

If the fixed penalty is not paid this could lead to parents/carers being prosecuted in the Magistrates' Court.

If you feel the decision has not taken into account any relevant exceptional circumstances, then you will need to contact the

A message from the Acting Co-headteachers:

This half term has been filled with lots of exciting opportunities with forest schools, local walks, open the door, Year 1 Phonics meeting, Year 3 and 4 class assembly.

Courage has been our Christian value this half term and our children have shared what courage means and how they can use this in their daily lives.

Each week in celebration assembly we have enjoyed sharing children's achievements and success.

Next half-term is a busy and short one in the run up to Easter with lots planned including the popular Easter bingo.

We are also looking forward to welcoming our new Vicar Chris Pierce into school for weekly Collective worship.

You will see us out and about on the playground in the mornings during the week so feel free to say hello and speak to us.

Have a lovely half term

Mrs Killalee and Mrs Thompson



It was lovely to be in school yesterday to watch the Y3/4 children sharing their learning. It was good to hear how they enjoyed being historians and discovering all about the Romans. The children shared their stunning charcoal artwork based on The Jabberwocky and shared some of their writing. Finally, they sang/rapped about how important it is to stop bullying and be friends. Also, good to see family members enjoying the occasion, having a cuppa and sharing their children's workbooks.

Thank you to the Y3/4 staff team for sharing your love of learning with the children.

I wish you all a happy and healthy half term.

Sue Tomlinson
Chair of Governors



Wharton CofE Primary School were lucky enough to have the Friends of Weaver Parkway visit us on Wednesday 7th of Feb to restore our pond back to the point where the children could access it for pond dipping.

The pool had become very overgrown to the point where access was difficult and the pond no longer usable for the children's education.

Six volunteers worked extremely hard to remove grasses, reeds and trees from the pond, particularly around the two sides with good access over the water. As you will see from the before, during and after pictures (and the common newt about to be put back) they did a sterling job.

We are so grateful for the time and effort put in to help bring our pond area back to a functional space for our children to enjoy.

Thankyou Friends of Weaver Parkway



Monday 26th Feb will be Oak AM and Beech PM. A letter has been sent out to all parents, including a timetable of when each class will be having forest school. A copy of this letter is also available on our website under parent letters. It is important that children wear/bring appropriate clothing to school on the days they have forest school, a list of what children may need to wear is on the letter, and is weather dependant. We look forward to sharing all the fun forest school activities with you all throughout the year.



Snack price list

TOAST	HALF A BAGEL	MILK	JUICE APPLE / ORANGE	FRUIT	FRIDAY ONLY
					BACON BUTTY
20p	25p	25p	30p	30p	60p Or £1:20

The year six Condoover residential is after half term, can parents please make sure payments are made by the deadline, 29th February, if anyone has concerns regarding this, please contact the school office. Kit lists and C-forms have been sent out, please can the C-forms be returned to the office as soon as possible.

**Reminder; dinners are £2.45 per meal
£12.25 per week.**

Keeping in touch



Our main telephone number is **01606 663530** and will show as this on caller ID



We use e-mail through school spider as our main method of communicating with parents and carers as it's quick, efficient and cost effective. Please make sure we have your current e-mail address so you don't miss important communications. To report an absence use;

Attendance@wharton.cheshire.sch.uk



We also distribute up-to-the-minute information via Facebook

Wharton CE Primary School



<http://www.wharton.cheshire.sch.uk>

CONTACT DETAILS

DON'T FORGET TO UPDATE THE OFFICE IF YOU CHANGE YOUR ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBER OR EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS

Contact Details

If you have moved house, changed telephone number or would like to make changes to emergency contact numbers, please email:- admin@wharton.cheshire.sch.uk with details and we will amend our records.



Can we please remind parents not to park along the drive, down to the school! This is dangerous for children coming in and out of school as this reduces visibility crossing the road. Parents can use the public carpark next to the school, access onto school

grounds is for parents with limited accessibility and those who have made prior arrangements. Please help us in keeping the children safe at drop off and pick up times.

Dogs are also not permitted onto school grounds



Attendance Champions this week are Rowan With 98%

Class	Percentage
Peach	86.7
Apple	93.2
Pear	92.1
Cherry	91.2
Damson	82.7
Beech	90.4
Oak	90.4
Maple	89.6
Willow	95.3
Rowan	98
Sycamore	86.1

WORLD **BOOK DAY**
7 MARCH 2024

Fancy Dress Swap

Thursday, 1 February to
Wednesday, 6 March

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The Woodlands Dental Practice are holding a Kidsclub for children under 16. This will be in February half-term. If this is something that you are interested in please give the reception a call on 01606832173

BRAND NEW CLUB!

Presenting... **"JUNIOR TUESDAY JUNCTION" CLUB**

TUESDAY EVENINGS
Junior's (8-11yrs): 5.30-7.15pm
Senior's (11-16yrs): 7.15-9.00pm
@ Wharton Library, Willow Square, CW7 3HP

MEET WITH FRIENDS, CHILL OUT, SPORTS, GAMES, ARTS & CRAFTS, MUSIC & MORE!

JUST £1 ENTRY FEE
FREE TOAST, HOT DRINKS AND JUICE!

SESSIONS FOR CHILDREN IN PRIMARY SCHOOL: AGE 8-11YRS & HIGH SCHOOL: AGE 11-16YRS

PARENTS MUST COMPLETE A REGISTRATION FORM AT DROP OFF.
NO FORM = NO ENTRY!
CONTACT US FOR MORE INFO: 01606 659413

STARTS TUES 23/1/24

RETHINKING POWER NEEDS

@kwiens62

POWER IS NOT LIKE A REMOTE CONTROL WHERE ONLY ONE PERSON HAS ALL THE POWER AND CONTROL.

POWER IS LIKE A CANDLE. YOU CAN GIVE A CHILD POWER WITHOUT GIVING AWAY ANY OF YOUR OWN POWER.

YOU DON'T HAVE A SET AMOUNT OF POWER - LIKE A BUCKETFUL. THERE ARE WAYS TO GIVE A CHILD POWER WITHOUT LOSING ANY OF YOUR OWN.

KIDS DON'T WANT YOUR POWER. THEY WANT THEIR OWN.

RICHARD LAVOIE

WHEN A STUDENT FEELS THEY HAVE

- POWER WITH THE ADULTS AS WELL AS
- POWER WITHIN THEMSELVES

THEY'LL HAVE LESS NEED TO SEEK POWER OVER OTHERS

A NEW UNDERSTANDING OF POWER CAN HELP WITH THIS

"SEE A CHILD DIFFERENTLY... SEE A DIFFERENT CHILD"

STUART SHANKER

6 WAYS TO HELP KIDS MEET THEIR POWER NEEDS

1. OFFER CHOICE, NOT ORDERS
2. GIVE RESPONSIBILITY
3. START WITH STRENGTHS
4. EXPRESS INTEREST RATHER THAN PRAISE
5. ASK FOR THEIR OPINION
6. ASK FOR THEIR HELP

6 POINTS TO REMEMBER

1. AVOID POWER STRUGGLES
2. AVOID MAKING THREATS
3. GROWING POWER NEEDS ARE A HEALTHY PART OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT
4. RESPECT BOUNDARIES
5. THE RULES (NOT THE ADULT) SHOULD BE OBEYED
6. REFLECT ON YOUR OWN NEED FOR POWER & CONTROL

"THE REALITY IS THAT NO ONE WINS A POWER STRUGGLE" ROSS GREENE

EASTER Egg hunt

Join us on **30th March 2024**
10am - 2pm

for some egg-citing fun in Winsford Town Park

Find eleven hidden letters around Town Park to reveal the mystery word to win an Easter egg

Easter bonnet competition
Refreshments available at St Andrews

Sponsored by **Morrisons** and **ASDA**