## Wharton CE Primary School News Bulletin



"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

### **Dates for your Diary**

**Our Christian value this term is THANKFULNESS** 

# Our Heartsmart principle is "No way through isn't true"

30<sup>th</sup> September MAD education (year 6)

**30<sup>th</sup> September Piano lessons start** 

8<sup>th</sup> October Parent Partnership Meeting 3:30pm

\*15<sup>th</sup> October Parents Evening

\*16<sup>th</sup> October Parents Evening

16<sup>th</sup> October Individual/sibling Photos

17<sup>th</sup> October Little Seedlings-8.45-10.00am library

22<sup>nd</sup> October Year 6 IWM Trip

22<sup>nd</sup> October Year 5 Weaver Hall Trip

\*You will be informed when slots open.

We have had another fabulous couple of weeks in school. The new head at Winsford Academy came to visit and commented on how calm and well behaved our children are and how readily they were getting on with their lessons in class.

The children have been thinking about the United Nations rights of a child and this week's challenge is to consider what they could do themselves to support others.

The meeting this week with the new parent partnership group had lots of ideas about how to support school. We chatted about the different sorts of events that we could hold together for the children. Here are a few of the ideas.

- Crazy hair day
- Break the rule day!
- Disco
- Parent participation in Worship

If you would like to find out more, please do come on the 8<sup>th</sup> straight after school.

Please note our new 'Little Seedlings' group starting soon  $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{G}}$ 

Finally, please do go along to Christ Church on Saturday and join in the celebrations for the 17<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Christ Church. It will be a magnificent event with food and fun for all.



Piano lessons start next week for those who have signed up. Each child will have a twenty-minute lesson in an afternoon Monday OR Tuesday so enjoy hearing all about it when they get home next week

This week the children have been representing the school in workshops held at Winsford Academy, and have been an absolute credit to us, well done!

Parent Partnership will be holding another meeting on the 8th October at 3.30pm. Childcare will be provided if necessary. A survey has been sent out to those who have shown prior interest so if you could please respond. Anyone who hasn't received a survey and would like to attend, please email admin@wharton.cheshire.sch.uk.

Please note the new attendance rules now apply, the statement at the end of the newsletter has now been updated in line with this, if you are unsure of the new policy please read below, more information is available on our school website and the Cheshire West and Cheshire website.

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Please join us in helping to raise money for our school.

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Come and join us every Thursday morning from 8.45 - 10.00am, starting on 17<sup>th</sup> October, at Little Seedlings, our baby and toddler group which will be held in our school library.

There will be singing, stories, craft activities and lots of fun!

Come along for a chat and a play, whilst you have a drink and a snack.

Everyone is welcome!

# Little Seedlings



'From little seeds grow mighty trees'



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### **Important information.**

#### 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

Reminder; dinners are £2.65 per meal £13.25 per week.

PLEASE CAN WE ENSURE WE ARE ALL PAYING FOR SNACKS. WE HAVE NOTICED AN INCREASE IN CHILDREN SAYING THEY ARE PAYING ONLINE AND THIS IS NOT THE CASE.

There is no access on to school grounds unless you carry a blue badge. Parents MUST NOT park along the drive, down to the school! This is especially dangerous now for children coming in and out of school as parents are turning the road due to the barrier. This also reduces visibility crossing the road. Parents can use the public carpark next to the school. Please help us in keeping the children safe at drop off and pick up times

No dogs



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#### Attendance notice.



The Education (pupil registration) (England) (amendment) Regulations 2013 came into force on 1 September 2013 and made it clear that head teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless 'exceptional circumstances' prevail.

Head Teachers are 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'. Generally, a need or desire for a holiday or other absence for the purpose of leisure and recreation would not constitute an exceptional circumstance.

If you choose to take a leave of unauthorised absence with your child 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 £160 if paid within 28 days reducing to £80 if paid within 21 days per parent/carer per child.

You should be aware that the National Framework for Penalty Notices introduced a new national limit of 2 penalty notices that can now be issued to a parent for the same child within a rolling 3-year period. If a second Fixed Penalty Notice is issued to the same parent for the same child, within three years of a first Fixed Penalty Notice, the second Fixed Penalty Notice is charged at a flat rate of £160 if paid within 28 days

If an unauthorised leave of absence is taken for a third time (or subsequent times) within 3 years of a first FPN being issued, another tool will need to be considered such as prosecution or other attendance legal interventions.

If a fixed penalty notice is issued to you and is not paid, this could lead to you being prosecuted in the Magistrates' Court.

Please see Cheshire West and Chester Council's code of conduct that can be found on the council's webpage.

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#### **Attendance Award.**

# Attendance Champions this week are With %

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Class	Percentage		
Peach	94.4		
Pear	95.2		
Cherry	94.5		
Damson	96.3		
Beech	90		
Oak	96.4		
Maple	96.9		
Willow	98		
Rowan	92		
Sycamore	92.6		