

WELFORD ON AVON PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents,

I hope you have had a lovely Easter break and enjoyed the sunny spell we were treated to, here's hoping the sunshine makes a welcome return soon.

School Clubs

School clubs have begun for the Summer Term. Please note that all clubs now finish at 4.30pm.

Parking

Please be considerate of the residents of Headland Road and Headland Rise when parking. Consider whether you are blocking access or making visibility of pupils and parents crossing roads dangerous.

Wrap Around Care

Please ensure all bookings, cancellations and additions to wrap around care must be made via iPad.

Maypole Dancing

It is that time of year again and the ribbons are back out! The children have begun rehearsing for their Maypole dances in preparation for Maypole Evening on Tuesday 24th May (reserve Wednesday 25th May).

Adventures at Welford Booklet

After half term your child will be handed their 'Adventures at Welford' booklet. This booklet was created to give children the opportunity to record their life experiences through Welford on Avon School. It includes hundreds of activities that they could complete over the seven years and its intention is to serve as a diary of their personal journey through Welford and something they can look back on to trigger fond memories of their school life. Depending on what year your child is in, they will have already completed some of the activities. If they are in Reception or new to the school they will be given a new booklet. They should take the book home and go through it, colour the circle beside anything they have completed. The teacher will then initial the activities. The books will then stay in school until the spring term when we will repeat the process. Once again this will be repeated in the summer term. When the children get to the end of Year 6 they will be presented with the booklet at the Leavers' assembly as keep sake.

Assemblies

Our summer term assemblies will take on a slightly different approach. Each class will be hosting a coffee morning complete with entertainment from the pupils, consisting of songs, dance and music, as well as sharing learning. Parents and families can watch while enjoying a cuppa and a slice of cake.

Please make a note of the date and make sure you are free.

Assemblies – Coffee Mornings	
Thursday 19 th May 2022	Year 5
Thursday 26 th May 2022	Year 6
Thursday 9 th June 2022	Year 4
Thursday 16 th June 2022	Year 2
Tuesday 28 th June 2022	Reception
Thursday 30 th June 2022	Year 1
Tuesday 5 th July 2022	Nursery
Thursday 7 th July 2022	Year 3

Parents are invited back into assemblies.

- Assemblies will start at 9.10am
- Please drop your child off at the start of the day following the usual procedures
- Walk to Gate 1 and enter through the school field gate using the new path to the green gates at the back of the field.
- A member of staff will open the gates and you should make your way to the side door of the hall.
- Please take a seat immediately and wait for pupils to arrive.
- Once the assembly is finished you should leave the hall through the side door, turn right and exit the school through the green playing field gates.
- There is no requirement to wear a mask but please do not attend if you are feeling unwell

Current Affairs Class Assembly

This week's story: Access to a new scheme offering free pet healthcare across 38 European countries, is now available to Ukrainian refugees, who have left the country with their pets to avoid the conflict. Refugees will be able to have treatment costs covered for up to five dogs, cats, horses or other animals as a result of the effort by Humane Society International (HSI). The project, called, Vets for Ukrainian Pets, will provide up to £209 per pet for care and medication.

The question under discussion was: Should pets be protected more than other animals?

Virtual Assembly: Found here: www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss

Please read 'Picture News at Home' if you wish to continue the discussion. For more information on Picture News follow the links below

Facebook: www.facebook.com/picturenewsprimary

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/HelpPicture>

The links below are great resources for your child to access at home, to develop their knowledge of current affairs. Using current affairs helps develop your child's confidence, motivation and self-esteem.

<https://theweekjunior.co.uk/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround>

<https://www.firstnews.co.uk/>

Relationship and Sex Education Summer Term

A reminder that we will be running a focus group to discuss the Relationships and Sex Education curriculum that we plan to teach during the second half of the summer term. We have made small adaptations to the curriculum since last summer and want to consult with parents about these changes. There will be an opportunity to receive more information about the programme and resources we use and have a chance to ask any questions.

The meeting will take place on:

Tuesday 11th May @ 2.00pm

A copy of our Relationships and Sex Education policy will be sent out to parents at the start of and a copy will be placed on the website. This will include an overview of the lessons that will be delivered to each year group. A separate letter has been sent out with additional information, if you would like to sign up for this meeting.

Wellbeing @ Welford

The Family Information Service (FIS) is continuing to support families across Warwickshire in 2022 and beyond. As always, you can get in touch with the team for any advice and support by emailing fis@warwickshire.gov.uk or calling 01926 742274.

Free Parenting Programmes available free to Warwickshire families

<https://api.warwickshire.gov.uk/documents/WCCC-829341009-253>

Link for parents to book onto workshops and programmes:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/warwickshire-children-and-families-17595309993>

COVID Update: April 2022

Public Health Headlines for Schools and Early Year settings

Symptomatic and asymptomatic testing (PCR and LFT) will cease for the majority of the population, with the exception of a number of settings.

- People with respiratory symptoms (including COVID-19 symptoms) should stay at home, avoid contact with others and return to normal activities when well enough and don't have a temperature.
- For schools and early years settings this means that children who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.
- For adults testing positive for COVID-19 (some people will still have LFT kits available), they should stay at home **for 5 days** (remembering day 0 is day of onset of symptoms/day of test if no symptoms) and avoid contact with others. They should then return to normal activities only if well enough and don't have a temperature.
- For children testing positive for COVID-19 (under 18 years old), **they should stay at home for 3 days** and avoid contact with others. They should then return to school and normal activities only if well enough and don't have a temperature.

The mainstay of COVID-19 advice for the general public will remain as:

- wear a mask/face covering in enclosed spaces
- keep indoor spaces ventilated
- stay away from others if you have any symptoms of a respiratory illness, including COVID
- vaccination remains the best way to protect us all from severe disease and hospitalisation due to COVID infection

If we have high numbers of staff/children unwell with respiratory symptoms but we are not clear if it is or isn't COVID-19, we will keep parents informed as we would usually have done during the pandemic.

Remote learning is available for children who are off school due to COVID but are fit to learn.

Face Masks

There is no longer a requirement to wear a mask when coming on the school site. We will continue to operate our drop off and pick up procedures including our one-way system.

Please contact the school office if you have any COVID queries

Enjoy the Bank Holiday weekend,

Mrs Wretham and staff

Dates for the Diary

Friday 6 th May 2022	Reception Cake Sale
Monday 9 th May 2022	Year 6 SATS Week
Friday 13 th May 2022	Non-Uniform Day Donations of tombola prizes for Maypole Evening
Monday 16 th May – Friday 20 th May 2022	Year 6 Residential
Tuesday 24 th May 2022	Maypole Evening 6pm
Wednesday 25 th May 2022	Maypole Reserve Evening
Friday 27 th May 2022	Platinum Street Party
Wednesday 8 th June- Friday 10 th June 2022	Year 5 Residential
Friday 17 th June 2022	Sports Hero's Dress Up Day
Friday 24 th June 2022	Sports Day & Summer Fair
Saturday 9 th July 2022	WOA Fest
Wednesday 13 th July 2022	Year 6 Play
Wednesday 20 th July 2022	Leaver Assembly 6.30pm
Thursday 21 st July 2022	Term Ends @ 1.30pm