

WELFORD ON AVON PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents,

Another week has flown by!

A reminder that our school day now finishes at 3.25pm and gates will be open at 3.20pm. School starts remains the same at 8.55am with the school gates opening at 8.45am, to give staff time to set up ready to receive the children.

Uniform

Uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of the school and setting an appropriate tone for learning. We encourage all pupils to wear the full school uniform and follow rules regarding jewellery, hair and school shoes. We do ask that pupils wear our school colours but are not required to have our school logo. Your child should wear PE uniform to school on the designated PE days (school colours please and no sport logos) and bring their games kit and Forest School kits according to the class timetables.

Pupils should wear the correct school and PE uniform on the right days and remain smart, safe and comfortable.

School Playing Field

The school playing field remains open after school but we ask politely, that you supervise your children when they are in the park and respect our school grounds. As a reminder to all, the playing field is school (WCC LA) property and the school is responsible for its upkeep. While school clubs are running, we ask that your children only play in the play equipment area - cones will be in place.

After School Procedures

Your child will be asked during registration, where they are going at the end of the school day. It is important that your child knows this information so that staff can ensure they can be dismissed to the correct place. If your child is registered to attend a club and is not attending a session, please let the office know.

Walking Home

Please remember KS2 children will only be permitted to walk home or walk to your car, if you provide a letter. We ask parents to risk assess the walk carefully and make sure that there is always someone at home to meet them. We strongly discourage your child from walking alone when the evenings become darker.

Parents' Evening

We will be holding Parents' Evenings in October this year, to discuss how your child has settled in. Parents evening will take part on

Monday 23rd October 2023	Parents Evening 3.30pm-6pm (Remote)
Tuesday 24th October 2023	Parents Evening 3.30pm-6pm (Remote)

You can book using our online system from 9th October, instructions will be sent out nearer the time. These meetings will be remote and held through our Teams Platform

We strongly encourage all parents to attend.

Assemblies

Learning Assemblies 9.00am	
Autumn Term 2023	
Thursday 5th October	Year 3 and Year 4 Harvest Learning Assembly
Thursday 12th October	Year 5 and Year 6 Kingswood Assembly
Thursday 19th October	Nursery and Reception Harvest Assembly
Thursday 26th October	Year 1 and Year 2 Harvest Assembly
Half Term	
Thursday 9th November	Reception Wright Assembly
Thursday 16th November	Year 1/ Year 4 Wright
Thursday 23rd November	Year 2/Year 5 Wright
Thursday 30th November	Year 3/ Year 6 Wright
Friday 8th December	Breakfast with Father Christmas AM (TBC) Children's Christmas Fair- PM (TBC)

Christmas Performances

Monday 11th December	Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Assembly/Concert @ 9.15am
Tuesday 12th December	Year 3 and Year 4 Christmas Assembly/Concert @ 9.15am
Wednesday 13th December	Year 5 and Year 6 Christmas Assembly/Concert @ 2.00pm
Thursday 14th December	Reception Christmas Assembly 9.15am
Friday 15th December	Nursery Christmas Assembly/Concert @ 9.15am

Traffic

Thank you for your patience this week regarding the problems with parking. The Bowling Club car park resurfacing should be complete by the end of next week and staff will then be able to access the staff car park, which should ease congestion at the start and end of the school day.

Parking

Parents are reminded that you must not park on or opposite the zig zags at any time during the school day, including clubs. Please do not park across or block driveways or park at road junctions. We run an unofficial one-way system so that all cars drive in from the Barton Road and leave via the church and ask that parents drive at 10mph. Your cooperation will ensure greater safety for all coming to and leaving school.

Volunteers

If you are interested in volunteering at the school, please contact the school office for more information or speak to your child's class teacher. We are also looking for volunteers to help in the school library. We really need your help, so any free time would be greatly appreciated.

Parent/Curriculum Information Sheet

You should have now received your parent/curriculum information sheet from your class teacher. It contains information about the learning pupils will undertake this term, including key knowledge and skills. Talking to your child at home, about their day to day learning, helping with reading and spelling tasks and encouraging, helping and completing homework, are great ways to help consolidate new knowledge, to make it more memorable and long lasting.

FOWS News

BOOK FAIR - Tuesday 10th - Friday 13th October

FOWS will be running the Autumn Book Fair after school, from Tuesday 10th until Friday 13th October. This will hopefully be in the playground, but may be moved to the school hall if the weather isn't kind.

Please come along and support FOWS for this great event. The school receives a percentage back from all book sales, so it's a fantastic way to support the school. Card payments and cash will be accepted on the day.

FOWS AGM Tuesday 3rd October @ 7.00pm

FOWS will be holding their AGM on Tuesday 3rd October at 7.00pm. This meeting will be face to face in school. FOWS do an incredible job organising and holding events for our school community, as well as raising important funds for the extras in school.

THE FOWS TEAM

Welford Wrigglers

Our next 'Welford Wrigglers' will take place next Wednesday 27th September from 9.15am-11.15am.



Year 6 will be hosting a coffee morning on Friday 29th September for the parents in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support.

It will be held in the school hall from 9.30am to 11.00am. Please come along to support our charity event!

Thank you for your support!

Year 6

Severn Trent Whole School Assembly

Beth, who works for Severn Trent Education Team, visited our school on Monday morning. She talked to the children about what sewage is and where it comes from, how they treat and recycle sewage, linking it in with the water cycle. Beth also reminded pupils about what we can and can't flush down the toilet, or pour down the sink (ask about the 3Ps song). It was a very informative assembly delivering important messages in a fun and interactive way.

Picture News:

This week's story: More than 100 schools across the UK, have been affected by a potentially dangerous concrete (RAAC) used in their construction between the 1950s and the mid-90s. It's not just schools affected; more than 30 hospitals are also believed to be at risk, according to experts.

Question: Is a school more than just a building?

British Value connected to this story: Mutual Respect and Tolerance

UN Rights of a Child: Access to education

'Picture News at Home is attached to this newsletter', so that you can continue this conversation at home.

Wellness @ Welford Information**Warwickshire Family Information Services**

In this week's Family Information Service newsletter, there is information about the Young Poet Laureate, support with utility bills, the latest SEND newsletter and much more!

<https://us5.campaign-archive.com/?u=a24b439ef7022ae0d86f9ca6e&id=45dc55cd33>

The Family Information Service (FIS), supports families across Warwickshire, with information and signposting. You can get in touch with the team by emailing fis@warwickshire.gov.uk, calling 0800 408 1558, or finding support on www.warwickshire.gov.uk/childrenandfamilies. Head over to our Facebook to see where you can find the FIS team across the county this week.

Have a great weekend

Mrs Leeman and Staff

TAKEHOME



Is a school more than just a building?

In the news this week

More than 100 schools across the UK have been affected by a potentially dangerous concrete used in their construction between the 1950s and the mid-90s. The crisis has left some school staff struggling to find temporary teaching accommodation and forced many pupils to begin their academic year learning online. It's not just schools affected; more than 30 hospitals are also believed to be at risk, according to experts.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Share your thoughts on this week's news. Are you aware of any local schools or hospitals that have been affected?
- For those pupils resuming learning online from home, how do you think they might feel?
- Considering school buildings, how do you believe they might change in the future? Can you think of any ways to improve school buildings or classrooms?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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