

Welford on Avon Primary School News

Rights Respecting Schools Award for Welford School

We had an assembly on Monday morning to explain the details and how we will be working towards our Silver Award.

We are proud to announce that we have been awarded the Bronze Rights Respecting School Award. This award focuses on putting the children's rights at the heart of school life and we will begin working towards the Silver Award in January 2024.

The UK Committee for UNICEF (UNICEF UK) works with schools in the UK to create safe and inspiring places to learn, where children are respected, their talents are nurtured and they are able to thrive. Our Rights Respecting Schools Award embeds these values in daily school life and gives children the best chance to lead happy, healthy lives and to be responsible, active citizens.

The Award recognises a school's achievement in putting the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child into practice within the school and beyond.

Mrs Wretham -Deputy Head



Forest School

A lovely but rather chilly week out in the Forest School area. Reception and Year 1 have been building their own winter tree art, while Year 3 and 6 were both challenged to the 'Inside Out Rope Challenge', whilst Year 5 played a game of reverse hide and seek. Nursery explored the area searching for all the different signs of winter.

Please make sure that your child brings their Forest School kit on the correct day, so that they can enjoy this outdoor experience.

Mr Deeley Forest School Lead

School Council

On Tuesday, the School Council had their first meeting of 2024. They have been tasked with an important task of renaming the classes in school. Over the following 2 weeks they will be gathering ideas from their classmates about potential names for classes (in the way that Cressview is named). The Class Reps are also conducting a survey with class members about their lunchtime experiences.

Mrs Cowley, School Council Lead.

Upcoming Events

PARENTS' EVENING: MONDAY
26TH FEBRUARY AND MONDAY
4TH MARCH - 3.40PM – 6.00PM

SCHOOL OPEN EVENING-
MONDAY 18TH MARCH –
3.30PM- 5.30PM

We will be running parents evening on Monday 26th February from 3.40pm – 6.00pm and Monday 4th March from 3.40pm - 6.00pm. The meetings will be virtual but you will have an opportunity to visit your child's classroom on Monday 18th March from 3.30pm until 5.30pm to have a look at their books and classroom environment.



CLUBS

Outdoor clubs will start next week.

WELFORD WRIGGLERS

Our next session will take place on Wednesday 24th January starting at 9.15am.

NEWSPAPER!

Mrs Cowley in Year 1 has asked for donations of newspaper for use in class. Can you ensure the content is suitable for children!



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Spring Term Knowledge Assemblies

Thursday 25 th January @ 9.10am	Reception Davenport
Thursday 1 st February @ 9.10am	Year 2 and Year 5 Davenport
Thursday 8 th February @ 9.10am	Year 1 and Year 4 Davenport
Thursday 22 nd February @ 9.10am	Year 3 and Year 6 Davenport
Thursday 29 th February @ 9.10am	Reception Owen Assembly
Thursday 7 th March @ 9.10am	Year 1 and Year 4 Owen Assembly
Thursday 14 th March @ 9.10am	Year 2 and Year 5 Owen Assembly
Tuesday 19 th March	Mobile Planetarium in school all day (KS2 in big hall)
Wednesday 20 th March @ 2.45pm	Nursery and Reception Spring Celebration Assembly
Thursday 21 st March 2024 @ 2.45pm	Year 1 and Year 2 Spring Celebration Assembly
Friday 22 nd March @ 9.10am	KS2 Spring Celebration Assembly

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Monthly Updates

Food Vouchers in January

January can be a particularly tricky month following all the expense of Christmas. We want to remind families that if you require help, you can contact the school to ask about food vouchers. Please get in touch if you need help. All enquiries we be dealt with in the strictest confidence.

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 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.

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Welford (Binton) Bridge

The Binton Bridge has been closed again and will remain closed for the next few weeks. Please make sure you continue to make the necessary adjustments to your journey to and from school to deal with the possible delays.

School Playing Field

During the long winter evenings we will continue to lock the school field after school, in line with our Health and Safety and safeguarding policies. The gate will be locked at 4pm every weekday and be unlocked at the weekends for the time being. As a reminder to all, the playing field is school (WCC LA) property and the school is responsible for its upkeep. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.

Wellness @ Welford Information

Warwickshire Family Information Services

<https://us5.campaign-archive.com/?u=a24b439ef7022ae0d86f9ca6e&id=01b0e9cf85>

In this week's Family Information Service newsletter there is information about the Peer Mentoring Support Service, a Kind Communities - Kind Food event, Energy Savers Week and much more!

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.

If you would like to know more about FIS and where to find information and support on the FIS and SEND Local Offer webpages, book a place on an online FIS discovery session. 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. You can visit the Cost of Living website to find information and support to manage increased household costs. Please follow the link below <https://www.costoflivingwarwickshire.co.uk/>

RISE

Please follow the link below to Warwickshire RISE website.

<https://cwrise.com/for-parents>

They provide early support, information and guidance on many emerging mental health issues to children, young people, parents and carers. They can offer:

- o consultations with a clinician o training
- o themed coffee mornings focusing on areas of requested support.

If you would like to know more please email risecommunityoffer@covwarkpt.nhs.uk

Welcome to the Recovery and Wellbeing Academy

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

‘The Academy offers a wide range of courses and workshops designed to empower your mental health and wellbeing provided by a number of Partner organisations working together. Courses are delivered face to face and online via Zoom. All Academy courses and workshops are completely FREE OF CHARGE and open to anyone over the age of 18 living in Coventry and Warwickshire who wants to better manage or understand their mental health and wellbeing. Friends, family, staff, and carers are encouraged to attend as we strongly believe in learning together to get the most out of the courses on offer.’

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Picture News

This week's story: A study from the University of Valencia in Spain, found that print reading could boost skills by six to eight times more than digital reading on a screen.

Question: Is an e-reader better than a book?

Reflection: Books can open new worlds of possibilities for us, both real and imagined- however we choose to read them.

British Value connected to this story: Individual Liberty

We are all provided with the opportunity to learn to read. Sometimes learning to read can take perseverance and resilience, which we can be responsible for.

Protected Characteristics – Religion and Belief

What, when and how we choose to read, can form part of our life choices and how we live our lives. We should never be treated unfairly because of our beliefs.

UN Rights of a Child: Access to information

We all have the right to get information from the internet, radio, television, newspapers books and other sources.

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

TAKEHOME



In the news this week

A study from the University of Valencia, in Spain, found that print reading could boost skills by six to eight times more than digital reading, for example, on an e-reader or tablet. The study, published in the Review of Educational Research, also found that while there is a negative relationship between digital reading and comprehension for primary school pupils, the relationship turns positive for secondary school-aged pupils.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Do you enjoy reading? If so, what type of books?
- > Talk to someone at home about the types of books they like to read.
- > Do you think you would prefer to read printed books, or books on an e-reader?
- > Do you think that one day, e-readers will replace books?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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