

Welford on Avon Primary School News

Holocaust Memorial Day

Year 6 marked Holocaust Memorial Day this week, by studying the experience of Jewish people during WW2. This gave the children the opportunity to recall their learning from our WW2 unit of work in History from last term, as well as thinking about the importance of championing our British values of respect, tolerance and individual liberty. The class used the diary and life of Anne Frank, to understand this meaningful topic. In art we linked to our unit of work on symbolism, to recreate the memorial flame used by Holocaust Memorial Day as its logo, incorporating words from Anne's diary and Holocaust poetry. - Mrs Barnard Year 6 teacher

This year, Holocaust Memorial Day falls on Saturday 27th January and KS2 marked the occasion today with a special assembly. We spoke about this year's theme 'Fragility of Freedom'. The children reflected on all of the freedoms we have today and how others around the world might not be so fortunate. We also reflected on the importance of learning about what has happened in the past and continuing to talk about and remember these events today, so that we can help to make the world a place where people aren't discriminated against.



Forest School

A great week out at Forest School this week. We continued our team building theme in Key Stage 2, with Year 6 trying to complete the Magic Carpet challenge and Year 3 and 4 continuing with the 'Inside Out Rope' challenge. Reception created some wonderful ephemeral art of trees in winter, while Year 1 practised their instructions using blindfolds and Year 2 tried the Memory challenge.

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

Cross Country Competition

On Saturday 20th January, 18 children across Key Stage 2 competed in the Warwickshire Schools Cross Country event, at Stratford Upon Avon Secondary School. They all competed really well, with one first place finish and several finishing inside the top five across the different year groups! The next event was due to be held on Saturday 3rd February but has been postponed, we await news of a rearranged date.

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.



Year 6 Visit to the Central Mosque, Worcester

On Tuesday, Year 6 visited the Central Mosque in Worcester. They were met by a Muslim teacher, who showed them around the Mosque and gave them a fascinating and informative insight into the religion of Islam. The visit reinforced the learning that the children had already done, as well as supporting the next unit of work.

Mrs Pote – Year 6 teacher



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Spring Term Knowledge Assemblies

Reception Davenport Knowledge Assemblies

Reception Davenport children presented a wonderful assembly yesterday, sharing all their knowledge, as well as an investigation they are carrying out about The Big Bad Wolf and his treatment of the three little pigs. Great detective work!

Our next assembly is:

Thursday 1st February @ 9.10am	Year 2 and Year 5 Davenport
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Thursday 8th February @ 9.10am	Year 1 and Year 4 Davenport
Thursday 22nd February @ 9.10am	Year 3 and Year 6 Davenport
Thursday 29th February @ 9.10am	Reception Owen Assembly
Thursday 7th March @ 9.10am	Year 1 and Year 4 Owen Assembly
Thursday 14th March @ 9.10am	Year 2 and Year 5 Owen Assembly
Wednesday 20th March @ 2.45pm	Nursery and Reception Spring Celebration Assembly
Thursday 21st March 2024 @ 2.45pm	Year 1 and Year 2 Spring Celebration Assembly
Friday 22nd 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.

Coats, hats and gloves

A reminder to make sure that your child brings a coat to school every day, to ensure they are ready for cold weather. We also encourage pupils to bring hats and gloves, so that they remain warm during break and lunchtime.

Welford Wrigglers

Our next session will take place on Wednesday 31st January starting at 9.15am and finishing at 11.15pm

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

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Warwickshire Family Information Services

<https://us5.campaign-archive.com/?u=a24b439ef7022ae0d86f9ca6e&id=697661874a>

In this week's Family Information Service newsletter there is information about Parent Mental Health Day, Register My Appliance week, Warwickshire Libraries 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:
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training themed coffee mornings focusing on areas of requested support.

If you would like to know more please email rise

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: Motorists in Britain will be completing journeys using driverless cars by 2026, the transport secretary, Mark Harper, has predicted.

Question: Will self-driving vehicles change our lives?

Reflection: Self-driving transport has the power to revolutionise how we travel and could allow people to hand over control to technology.

British Value connected to this story: Rule of Law

There are rules and laws that people must follow when driving vehicles. These help keep everyone safe. As we move into the future, the rules and laws will change. Who is responsible for vehicles in the future may change too!

Protected Characteristics – Disability

Driverless vehicles may make travel more accessible and inclusive. Having a disability should never mean we are treated unfairly.

UN Rights of a Child: Best interests of the child

When adults make decisions, they should think about how their decisions will affect children. All adults should do what is best for children, which may affect how and when we use driverless vehicles in the future.

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Will self-driving vehicles change our lives?


In the news this week

Motorists in Britain could be completing journeys using driverless cars by 2026 the transport secretary, Mark Harper, has predicted. He believes that fully autonomous vehicles, in which people become passengers in their own cars, will arrive in the UK that year and follow a gradual rollout. The government introduced a bill in a speech by King Charles III that paved the way for autonomous cars, without a safety driver, after pressure from industry, MPs, and Sir Patrick Vallance in his recent review of technology regulation.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Do you think you would like to travel in a self-driving vehicle?
- > Make a list of the positives and negatives of self-driving vehicles.
- > Do you believe we will see more self-driving vehicles on the roads over the next few years?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss



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