

Welford on Avon Primary School

14th May 2021

Dear Parents,

I hope you have had a good week. The weather is horrible at the moment, but hopefully we will start to see a change in time for our Maypole Dancing. Nationally, it is great to see that the COVID restrictions are beginning to lift but we must remain vigilant and careful to ensure that we protect our school community. Therefore, all our current rules and restrictions will stay in place for the time being. Thank you for your continuing cooperation.

Maypole Dancing

Our traditional event is not quite back to normal and while we will hopefully be performing at the Maypole on Tuesday 25th May during the school day, we will not be inviting an audience to watch, as this does not fall within current guidelines. In addition, children will be wearing school uniform to perform this year, so no need to worry about dresses, flowers or long grey socks!

Remote Learning

Remote learning is available for any pupil who has had to isolate due to COVID19. If your child is unwell and has returned a negative test, they are encouraged to return to school once they feel fit and well.

School Uniform

Our upcycled uniform rail is available if you wish to purchase any items. It is situated in the bike shelter in front of the main office and a new railing of uniform has been set up outside the Nursery.

If you have any preloved uniform to donate, you can place it in the recycled bin situated in the park.

What to do if your child is sick?

You must not send your child to school if they are unwell. If you or your child becomes unwell (any symptoms) you or your child MUST take a test. If the test is negative, then they can return to school once they have recovered. In the absence of mass testing for all pupils and a vaccine for all teaching staff, this is our only line of defence to try and keep COVID19 out of our school.

Household LFT Packs

Households are being encouraged by the government to take a LFT test twice a week to prevent the spread of COVID from people who show no symptoms.

Do not use a rapid lateral flow test if you have coronavirus symptoms. Get a PCR test and self-isolate.

Please follow the link to order your tests

<https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

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Family Information Latest Newsletter

The Family Information Service is here to support you on a range of issues. You can get in touch by emailing fis@warwickshire.gov.uk or calling 01926 742274.

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/children-families>

'In this edition of the Family Information Service newsletter you will find some more information about childcare funding, an exciting new app to help families take part in fun learning activities with their children and an important reminder about the 11+ test registration.'

<https://us5.campaign-archive.com/?u=a24b439ef7022ae0d86f9ca6e&id=d80f5946df>

Mental Health Week 10th May- 16th May

The Theme this year is Nature. Please follow the link below for information to help with understanding the importance of looking after our mental health and where to seek help when we need it (we all will at some point in our lives)

<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/campaigns/mental-health-awareness-week>

Children's Mental Health - Staying Wild and Well

'Being outside and playing in nature makes us feel happier and is good for our body and mind. Simple things like looking for different colours in the trees or laying on the grass to watch the clouds can give us time to process our emotions and reflect on how we are feeling.'

For more details and ideas about how nature can improve our mental health please follow the link below:

<https://www.wildlifewatch.org.uk/childrens-mental-health-week-2021>

With the pandemic leading to so many of us spending more time than ever indoors, remembering what our outdoor spaces have to offer can be really rewarding, like helping to bring a sense of calm and tranquillity.

If you're struggling at the moment, visit Dear Life, a useful website offering a range of support for anyone who doesn't know where to turn to for help to address complicated and negative thoughts and feelings.

Really looking forward to getting this group set up but we need volunteers.

Parent, Babies and Toddler Group @ Welford Primary School New Hall (The Relaunch)

We were so close to launching this group last year but lockdown brought a sudden end to our plans. However, with the restrictions finally starting to lift, it would be fantastic to start looking at a relaunch. We would like to form a committee to help set up and run this group. We have lots of ideas to get started but we need more.

An initial meeting will be held on Wednesday 26th May at 9.30am via the Welford School TEAMS Tile. Anyone outside of school can be sent a link for this meeting.

You do not have to have children at Welford as this is a local community group. All welcome! If you are interested in helping, please contact the school office.

'Parent, Babies and Toddler groups are an essential part of the community. A Parent and Toddler Group is an informal group within the local community, which provides an opportunity for young children and their parents/carers to meet. All groups offer opportunities for friendship, learning and play. They offer the opportunity for young children to have fun and mix with other children in a safe environment where they can share and extend their early learning experiences.'

Thursday Learning Assemblies	
Thursday 20 th May	Nursery Assembly
Learning Assemblies	
Thursday 10 th June	Reception Class Assembly
Thursday 17 th June	Year 1 Class Assembly
Thursday 24 th June	Year 2 Class Assembly
Thursday 1 st July	Year 4 Class Assembly
Thursday 8 th July	Year 3 Class Assembly
Thursday 15 th July	Year 5 Class Assembly

Learning Assemblies

We are looking forward to our Nursery Assembly next Thursday.

We will continue to have our learning assemblies remotely until the restrictions are completely lifted.

- We will continue to have learning assemblies on a Thursday morning
- An Invitation will be sent via the Welford on Avon Pink Teams Tile.
- You will find a calendar date and a blue button to join.
- PLEASE DO NOT PRESS 'MEETING' in the top right-hand corner of the screen as this will set up a new GENERAL meeting. You will be in the wrong meeting!

STAR Club Newsletter

Congratulations to Archie, Joel and Toby for producing such a wonderful STAR Club Newsletter. A copy is coming home today to your family. They will each receive a Community Award badge.

Year 6 Leavers' Hoodies

Year 6 have worked very hard this week on their tests and we were really pleased to hand them their Leavers' Hoodies.

Have a lovely weekend,
Mrs Leeman and staff.



Summer Term Events

We are hoping to run our Summer term events, although they will need to be in line with Government guidelines and may be subject to change and/or cancellation.

Country /Maypole Dancing	Tuesday 25 th May To be run during the school day. Each class will be allocated a time to walk up to the Maypole to perform their dance No spectators, but hopefully can be streamed live or recorded
Whole School Transition Day	Wednesday 7 th July Children will move up to their new class for the day
Sports Day	Friday 9 th July AM Run in class bubbles Rotate around the school field Spectators dependent on guidelines
Summer Fair	Friday 9 th July PM (Run during the school day Run in class bubbles Similar format to Christmas Fair but hopefully outside
Year 6 Leavers' Assembly (Either New Hall or playing field)	Tuesday 20 th July @ 6.30pm
Transition Parent Meetings (Remote)	Between Monday 5 th July and Friday 16th July- Individual Class Dates TBC
School Reports	Sent out 16 th July

Guidance update

GOV.UK - Self-isolation information 10 days from the day after contact with the individual tested positive

- If someone with symptoms tests negative for COVID-19 they should stay at home until they are recovered from their illness.
- The only exception to return following a negative test result is where an individual is separately identified as a close contact of a confirmed case, when they will need to self-isolate for 10 days from the date of that contact.
- If someone with symptoms tests positive, they should follow the guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection and must continue to self-isolate for at least 10 days from the onset of their symptoms and return only if they do not have symptoms other than cough or loss of sense of smell/taste, as a cough or anosmia can last for several weeks once the infection has gone.
- The 10-day period starts from the day when they first became ill or the day they had a test if they have no symptoms. If, after 10 days they still have a high temperature, they should continue to self-isolate until their temperature returns to normal.
- Other members of their household should all self-isolate for the full 10 days from the day after the individual tested positive.

Emergency Contact Details

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