



Wistaston Weekly

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"We will challenge, excite and encourage a love of life and learning in every child."

Welcome to the Wistaston Weekly!

It has been so good to see the school full this week. The children have returned to school excited to learn and ready for a fresh start and we are delighted to see them back in school. Today I want to say a special hello to all of our new starters in Reception! We believe that happy children learn and we want to do our best to make every moment of their time at Church Lane successful.

I would also like to welcome some new members of staff to the school. Miss Aly, Mr Rogerson, Miss Lucas and Mrs Dyde have joined the school this week and have already made a positive impression on the children and colleagues.

We try to do most of our key communication through the Wistaston Weekly newsletter. On occasion there will be some specific letters, but the best way to keep up-to-date with the school is by reading the newsletter each week. It is also worth checking our Facebook page as we share reminders and news on there. Our Twitter page is a way to share news of learning in and out of the classroom.

This week our school website has been relaunched. It looks a bit different but is easy to find your way around. Over the next few weeks we will be adding more and more content so that it can be a really useful source of information.

Mr Bancroft

NEW MESSAGES

There is important new information below – please make sure that you read it.

Start and End of Day

Thank you for your help in supporting our changes to drop offs and collection. We have tried to learn each day and improve the system.

We now need to request your help with the following:

- Please adhere to social distancing to control the spread of coronavirus. Do not gather to chat on the playground.
- Once you have dropped your child off in the morning, please leave the site promptly.
- Once you have collected your child at the end of the day, please leave the site promptly.
- We are not allowing parents on to the site until the allocated time – please try to wait in your car or away from school until the time needed.
- Please be considerate of others and don't block the path.
- If you have a child in the infants and juniors, please use the one-way system, visiting the infants first.
- Wherever possible, please walk to school.
- Parents of older children do not necessarily need to come on to the playground at all.

We want to make sure that the children are safe so keeping the playgrounds as clear as possible is really important.

Swan Stars

Swan Stars re-opens on Monday and bookings can now be taken. Please contact swanstarsbookings@wistaston.cheshire.sch.uk.

School Attendance.

The government has a persistence absence threshold of 10%. The absence threshold of 10% means that if a pupil is absent for 38 sessions (19 days) of school, they are classified as persistently absent. Schools are urged to inform parents of this threshold and advise parents that fines will be made for persistent absence, unless there is a justifiable reason for such absence, for example, significant illness. Failure to make payment will result in legal action for failure to ensure regular attendance at school under Section 444 (1) Education Act 1996.

Timeline	Penalty Charges
Paid within 21 days	£60 per parent per child
After 21 days and before 28 days	£120 per parent per child
After 28 days	The parents will receive a summons to appear before the Magistrate's Court on the grounds of having failed to secure their child's/ children's attendance.

As you are aware, we are not allowed to grant any leave of absence during term time, unless there are exceptional circumstances. An exceptional circumstance is usually a one off, unique situation that is of significant emotional, educational or spiritual value, which outweighs the loss of teaching time. It is our duty to strongly urge parents or carers to avoid booking holidays, appointments or visits overseas during term time.

Fluenz Vaccinations

Each child in school has been given a consent form for the Fluenz immunisation scheme. Please could we ask parents to complete the form and return it to school by **Friday 20th September**. Please note that this is the final date that we can accept the Fluenz forms in the school office.

Form Cs

Although we are not currently arranging any visits, we do need the annual Form C completing for all children in Years One to Six. The person who completes the form must have parental responsibility. The completed form should be returned to school thereby allowing the children to participate in educational visits once they recommence. Only one form C will be issued this year although individual consent letters will be sent home for all excursions. Parents are asked to contact the school office if there are any changes to the Form C during the year. Thank you

Please note that Reception children have already completed this form with their child's starter pack.

Updating Student Records

Please can we request that you update your child's personal records as soon as possible using the Parent Portal on Arbor. Please contact the school office if you are having difficulty using the system. It is important that parents update any changes to their child's records during the year.

Reception parents will receive an email today explaining how to access the Parent Portal. Please note that full pupil details have not been fully updated yet, however they will be updated by the end of this half term.

Water Bottles for Reception

Later this term all Reception children will be issued with a water bottle, courtesy of the Friends of the school.

Book Bags for Reception

We have a small quantity of book bags available to sell in the school office; these are priced at £8.50. To purchase book bags can we ask that parents of children to come to the school office on the following days:

Monday - Cholmondeley (Yellow) and Beeston (Red)
Tuesday – Peckforton (Green) and Mow Cop (Blue)

Please note card payments only. Thank you

Reception PE Kits

Reception parents will receive a letter regarding purchasing PE T-shirts for their children early next week.

REPEATED INFORMATION

The information below has been shared before – you may have read it already, but we have kept it here as it is important.

Junior Snack

Our Junior Snack Bar will not be running in the first few weeks in September. This means that you will need to send your child in with a healthy snack – not crisps or sweets please. The free fruit for infant children scheme starts on

School Dinner Price Change

The price of a school dinner for children in Key Stage Two is now £2.30 per day. Payment should be made through Arbor please.

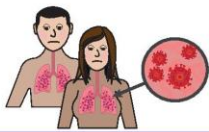
School Lunch Policy

Attached to this newsletter is our school lunch policy. Please could all parents and guardians read this information.

Medication Policy

Attached to this newsletter is our medication policy for your attention. Please could all parents and guardians read this information.


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Symptoms and what to do Coronavirus COVID-19

- A high temperature.
- Feel hot to touch on your chest or back.
- A loss or change in what you can normally smell or taste.
- A new continuous cough.
This means **coughing** a lot for more than one hour or 3 or more coughs in a day. If you usually have a cough then this might be worse at this time.

 Stay home for at least 7 days or until the signs of being poorly have gone.

 People who live with you need to stay at home for 14 days.

Symptoms and what to do Coronavirus (COVID-19)



Do not visit your Doctors, or Pharmacy or Hospital.
You can still contact your GP if needed.



If you need more help try this website.
<https://111.nhs.uk/covid-19/>



If you need more help then call 111.



If it is an emergency phone 999.

Term Dates for 2020 to 2021

Holiday	Date of closing	Date of reopening
Summer Holiday		Wednesday 2 nd September
Autumn Half-Term	Thursday 22 nd October	Tuesday 3 rd November
Christmas 2020	Friday 18 th December	Monday 4 th January 2021
Spring Half-Term	Thursday 11 th February	Monday 22 nd February
Easter	Thursday 1 st April	Monday 19 th April
May Day	Monday 3 rd May	
Summer Half-Term (Whit)	Friday 28 th May	Tuesday 8 th June
Summer 2021	Wednesday 21 st July	Thursday 2 nd September

2020 to 2021 INSET DAYS

Tuesday 1st September 2020, Friday 23rd October 2020, Monday 2nd November 2020, Friday 12th February 2021 and Monday 7th June 2021