



Wistaston Weekly

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

Welcome back to children in Years One and Two. We have missed you!

During these uncertain times I need to remind you that your child must not come to school if there are symptoms of coronavirus in the household (a new continuous cough, a high temperature or a loss or change in taste or smell). Everyone in the household must isolate until that person receives a negative result. If the result is positive for a member of your household, please make us aware as soon as possible as this means that your child will need to be off school for 14 days.

If you feel that you could offer some time and support to our PTA, The Friends, please see information in this letter regarding their AGM on Tuesday night.

Mr Bancroft

NEW MESSAGES

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

Change of Bubble sizes

From Monday 19th October we are changing the sizes of our bubbles in Key Stage Two. Cheshire East have asked all schools to review the size of their bubbles and we feel comfortable in being able to do this in Key Stage Two. From Monday bubbles in Key Stage Two will be class-sized. If a confirmed case of coronavirus is identified this means we can reduce the number of children who need to isolate as a result.

We have risk assessed this in the infants and due to the number of interventions required and we don't feel we can make any changes in the infants at the moment.

I also need to highlight again that we are unable to keep to these bubbles in Swan Stars. Our four secondary bubbles will continue in Swan Stars, in line with government guidance, as Reception; Years One/Two; Years Three/Four, and Years Five/Six. A confirmed case in Swan Stars may cause children in those secondary bubbles to need to isolate in order to control the risk of spread.

Change of Staff Year 3

As you know, Miss Jones begins her maternity leave next Friday. After half-term the children in Miss Jones and Mrs Collett's class will be taught by a new teacher for the whole week – Mr Harrison. Mr Harrison is actually a former pupil and the children will love being taught by him! Mrs Collett will be working in Key Stage Two on Thursdays and Fridays after half-term.

Welcome

Welcome to Miss Barnett who has started working with us as a teaching assistant. You may know Miss Barnett already from Swan Stars. She is going to be working in Swan Stars and in school as well! We are already enjoying working with you.

Year Six Evacuee Day

Our Year Six Evacuee Day will take place on **Thursday 22nd October** and it will involve the children in that year group coming to school dressed as an evacuee. Throughout the day the children will complete fun activities relating to the topic of evacuation.

House Point Winners

Mow Cop and **Beeston** have jointly won the most house points this half-term. Their non-uniform day is on Wednesday 21st October. All other children should attend school in their normal uniform.

Infant Morning Snacks

Children in the infants do not need to bring a snack to school for morning break as the school provides free fruit.

Half Term

Please note that school finishes for half term on Thursday 22nd October.

The Poppy Appeal

Poppies will be on sale from Tuesday 3rd November in both KS1 and KS2 buildings. If you would like to purchase a poppy or any of the poppy appeal merchandise, the suggested maximum donation for any of the items is £1.50.

Midday Assistant Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a Midday Assistant. Please contact the school office if you know someone who may be interested in the role.

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.

Coronavirus

Your child should not come into school if they have the following symptoms: a new continuous cough, a high temperature or a loss or change in taste or smell. If your child has these symptoms they should book a test using www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/ or by calling 119.

Request

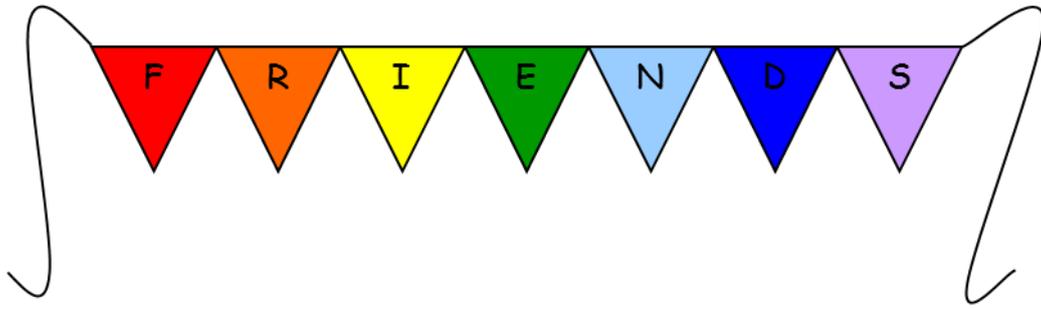
Please could we request if your child's Coronavirus test results are positive, please inform the school of the results at the earliest opportunity. Please email covid19@wistaston.cheshire.sch.uk at any point as this email address will be monitored at all times.

Applying for School Places for September 2021

Parents and Carers are reminded that the application round for places in Reception 2021 is now open. More details can be found on Cheshire East's website at www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schools/admissions/start-school-september.aspx. The deadline to apply for a place for Reception 2021 is 15th January 2021.

High School Applications

Year six parents are advised that applications for high schools must be completed by 31st October 2020. Please see Cheshire East's website for more details.



Friends of Wistaston Church Lane Academy -AGM

The Friends' AGM will take place on Tuesday 20th October via Zoom - starting at 6pm. If you would like to attend the meeting please contact friends-of-church-lane-school@hotmail.co.uk.

Parents' Evenings

As we are unable to host our parents' evenings in the traditional format, this year we are offering a ten-minute phone call as an alternative. Teachers are offering appointments between Monday 12th October and Friday 6th November. The appointments will go live through your child's Arbor account from 4pm this afternoon, please go to the guardian consultations section of your parent portal.

The appointments are intended to discuss how well the children are settling into school this year, to give an update of our first impressions of their learning and to discuss their wellbeing.

As close as possible to the booked time the teacher will phone you – please be aware that this call may come from an unknown number. The appointments are for ten minutes only so we ask that you help us to keep to these timings. If you miss the phone call, we will try to rearrange an appointment with you, but this may not be on the same evening.

Please note that Miss Hulme's parent's evening are now live on your child's Arbor account.

Shavington Academy Transition Video

Shavington Academies transition video is now available for all Year 5 and Year 6 parents to view. If you are interested in a place a Shavington Academy for your child in September 2021 please follow the link below to view. <https://youtu.be/bn2fkfbC20I>

Coats and Shoes

It is reaching that time of year that the children will need to bring in coats to wear. Please could you practice with younger children so that they are able to fasten their own coats. Similarly, it would be helpful if you could practice tying shoelaces together so that the children can do this independently in school. This would help staff members reduce unnecessary close contact.

Book Bags

Book bags are now available to purchase in the school office; these are priced at £8.50. If you would like to purchase one, please come to the school office at the end of the school day only. Please note that we can only accept card payments.



COVID-19 (coronavirus) absence: A quick guide for parents / carers



What to do if...	Action needed	Back to school...
 <p>...my child has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms*</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child shouldn't attend school Child should get a test Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result Inform school immediately about test results 	<p>...when child's test comes back negative</p>
 <p>...my child tests positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child shouldn't attend school Child self-isolates for at least 10 days from when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) Inform school immediately about test results Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from day when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) - <i>even if someone tests negative during those 14 days</i> 	<p>...when child feels better, and has been without a fever for at least 48 hours</p> <p>They can return to school after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of smell / taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks once the infection is gone.</p>
 <p>...somebody in my household has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms*</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child shouldn't attend school Household member with symptoms should get a test Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result Inform school immediately about test results 	<p>...when household member test is negative, and child does not have COVID-19 symptoms*</p>
 <p>...somebody in my household has tested positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child shouldn't attend school Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from day when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) - <i>even if someone tests negative during those 14 days</i> 	<p>...when child has completed 14 days of self-isolation, even if they test negative during the 14 days</p>

* Symptoms include at least one of a high temperature; a new continuous cough; a loss of or change to your sense of smell or taste. See more at: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/>

What to do if...	Action needed	Back to school...
 <p>...NHS Test and Trace has identified my child as a 'close contact' of somebody with symptoms* or confirmed COVID-19 (coronavirus)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child shouldn't attend school Child self-isolates for 14 days (as advised by NHS Test and Trace) – even if they test negative during those 14 days Rest of household does not need to self-isolate, unless they are a 'close contact' too 	<p>...when the child has completed 14 days of self-isolation, even if they test negative during those 14 days</p>
 <p>...we / my child has travelled and has to self-isolate as part of a period of quarantine</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not take unauthorised leave in term time Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel Provide information to school as per attendance policy <p>Returning from a destination where quarantine is needed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child shouldn't attend school Whole household self-isolates for 14 days – even if they test negative during those 14 days 	<p>...when the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed for the child, even if they test negative during those 14 days</p>
 <p>...we have received advice from a medical / official source that my child must resume shielding</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child shouldn't attend school Contact school as advised by attendance officer / pastoral team Child should shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again 	<p>...when school / other agencies inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again</p>
 <p>...I am not sure who should get a test for COVID-19 (coronavirus)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only people with symptoms* need to get a test People without symptoms are not advised to get a test, even if they are a 'close contact' of someone who tests positive 	<p>...when conditions above, as matching your situation, are met</p>

For further information:
gov.uk/backtoschool