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Next Week in School at a Glance

Monday 15	Tuesday 16	Wednesday 17	Thursday 18	Friday 19
* Lunch Menu	'	· ·		* 3.15 - 4.15 pm
week 3	Performing Arts	Rec/Y1/2 Boccia	Assembly	Y5/6 High 5

\* 3.15 - 4.15 pm \* 3.15 - 4.15 pm Rec/Y1/2 Disney Stars Arts and Crafts

\* 3.15 - 4.15 pm \* 3.15 - 4.15 pm Y5/6 Rec/Y1/2 Crochet Baking Club \* 3.15 - 4.15 pm KS2

Badminton

\* 3.15 - 4.15 pm Y4/5/6 \* 3.15 - 4.15 pm Y3/4 Arts and Crafts

\* 3.15 - 4.15 pm Rec/Y1/2

Tennis

Y5/6 High 5 Netball

# Current value/attribute: Perseverance

# Mrs. Quigley's weekly message:

This week we have fully embraced our HPL journey, with all classes talking and thinking about our core value of perseverance. Children have been demonstrating the 'Power of Yet...', being determined and thinking of different ways to explore their learning to find alternative answers or solutions. Last week, the children explored this through the idea of a new place, a place where we have some of the values and attributes required to succeed, but where we would need to fill our 'toolkit' with even more. The hall is now filled with wonderful displays linked to this.

You may have seen on the news the DFE's campaign regarding attendance. I know this is something that all of you already really value and support, but I wanted to highlight the importance of being in school, every day wherever possible. Every moment really does count and ensures children are having the opportunity to make the best possible progress, academically and personally. If you are in any doubt about if your child is well

enough and should attend school, please do always check with the school office or teacher, who will be more than happy to help.

Finally, our classes started their new enrichment opportunities this week. Classes across school mixed, or in Y5's case had the opportunity to work with Mrs Thomas as a performing arts specialist. This half term's focus is arts based and the children will be working towards the Primary Arts Network presentation. We will share further details soon regarding this so you can visit the exhibition when it is displayed.

Have a lovely weekend and see you Monday, Mrs Quigley





#### **Attendance**

'moments matter, attendance counts'

The link between attendance and attainment is clear:

 In 2018/19, just 40% of persistently absent (PA) children in KS2 achieved expected KS2 standards, compared with 84% of pupils who were regular attenders.

And it's never too late to develop strong attendance habits and benefit from good attendance throughout your child's educational journey:

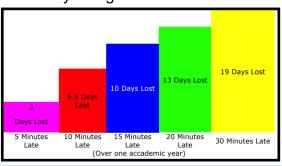
 More than half (54%) of pupils who were PA in Year 10 and then rarely absent in Year 11, passed at least 5 GCSEs, compared to 36% of pupils who were persistently absent in both years.

But attendance is important for more than just attainment:

 Regular school attendance can facilitate positive peer relationships, which is a protective factor for mental health and wellbeing.

If your child is slightly unwell, the NHS has guidance online to help you decide if they are able to come to school, please visit the following site for guidance <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/">https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/</a>. If you are still unsure, please contact school for help.

It is not only the number of days that your child is in school that matters but Every Minute Counts: If you arrive late to school everyday, your child's learning begins to suffer. This graph shows how being late to school everyday over a school year adds up to lost learning time. Arriving on time allows your child to settle into the school day along with their classmates.



#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION PLEASE READ**

Please take the time to read this information carefully to understand the importance of what we are asking.

The current procedure is in place to ensure that every child is safe and well. If a child is supposed to be in a club but isn't there and their parent/carer thinks they are there, it is critical that we know quickly and can contact the police immediately.

If your child is unable to attend a club, please contact the SCHOOL OFFICE (**not the teachers**) to let us know in advance. From next week, the club procedure will be:

- Parents contact the school office to notify them of any absences from clubs.
- The office will update club registers with absences from school and any notifications from parents/carers about children not attending
- The office will inform classes of any children not attending clubs.
- Children will be supervised going to clubs, either by being collected by the club leader or taken to the club by class staff at the end of the day.
- The club leader will take the register and will notify the office of anyone who is missing.
- The office contacts parents/carers of the missing children to ensure they are safe and accounted for.

If the school office has not been informed, you will be required to sign your child out on the club register in the same way that you do when you pick them up from a club.

Please note that any instruction must come from an adult and cannot be accepted from the child. The office staff are spending a lot of time confirming where missing from club children are and, as a result, having to work beyond the end of their normal working hours. Much more importantly, if a child is missing, it is delaying them being able to identify this and report it.

#### **Picture News**

Next week's Picture News topic is

'Is an e-reader better than a book?'



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 table. 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.

The research from the study found that when people read from an e-reader or screen, they didn't read the writing as carefully as when they were reading from printed writing, like books or newspapers. This can mean the reader doesn't take in as much of the story or text.

The study also found that younger children can be more distracted on e-readers by things like notifications, messages or other applications.

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?

#### **Hot Chocolate and Cake**

Well done to the following children chosen this week:

Reception	Carter C
Year 1	Daisy H
Year 2	Freya L
Year 3	Noah S
Year 4	Zoe S
Year 5	Eden-Mae C

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Year 6 Izzy B

#### **Year 1 Class Assembly**

On Thursday 18 January, it will be Year 1's Class Assembly at 2.50 pm, where the children will showcase what they have been studying over the last half-term. Parents and carers of Year 1 are welcome to come along to watch the assembly and the KS1 gate will be opened at 2.45 pm. We hope to see you there!

#### **KS1 Morning Drop Off**

Please could we ask that during the morning drop off for Key Stage 1 (Reception to Year 2), that parents and carers do not go to the classroom doors so that the area does not become congested and children can enter without any problems.

If you need to pass on any information to the classroom, please give it to the member of staff on the gate and they will ensure the class receives it as soon as the gates are locked. If it is time critical, they are able to radio the information through to staff.

Please remember that KS2 children should be dropped at the KS2 gate and, if you have KS1 children, entry and exit is through the KS1 gate only.

#### Parent Forum Feedback Update

In the last Parent Forum, there was a concern that the Sports Day was so late in the year that it could potentially be 'rained off' and unable to be rearranged. As a result, the Sports Day is now Tuesday 4 June, with reserve dates of Monday 10 June and the original published dates as well. Please remember to make a note of these on your calendars!



#### Family Film Night - Thursday 25 January

We are very excited to let you know about our next event - our Family Film Night. It is a family event and children must be accompanied by an adult.

It will be held on Thursday 25 January with doors opening at 5.30 pm to start at 5.45 pm. It will be free to attend but <u>all attendees</u> must have a ticket, due to the limited capacity of the hall. A letter has been sent home today with a tear off slip to request tickets and to pre-order a range of food and drink for the evening. You can order the items on the slip and either send the money in a sealed, named envelope marked as PFA Family Fun Night when you return the slip or the PFA will contact you with details on how you can pay.

There are a range of possible films and if children would like to vote for their favourite, please register their preference by completing this online form:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd2pS9CDEFEFPhbxuyFpi1Uj0gxrvmJZ3elkmfx-wDL7Sinnw/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0

If you would be willing to help at the event as a volunteer, please let us know via this link: <a href="https://volunteersignup.org/83HET">https://volunteersignup.org/83HET</a>

#### **Festive Float**

A big thank you to everyone who supported our festive float, it raised approximately £200 and was lots of fun!





Have a lovely weekend

Kelly Chair Park Road PFA kellyhpfa@gmail.com

## **Community Pages**

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Badminton \*6pm

Baking \*4pm \*6pm

Basketball \*4pm

Book club \*4pm

Book club \*4pm

Boxing \*5pm \*6pm

Chill & chat \*5pm

Dance Squad \*4pm

Feel Good Arts & crafts \*5pm

Learn the Guitar \*4pm

Messy Art \*6pm

Morris dancing \*5pm

Performing Arts \*5pm

Podcast \*5pm

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Pokemon arts & crafts \*4pm

\*\*Youth Zone Membership is required (one off £5 paym then 50p per session \*\*

Book on the Warrington Youth Zone Website or at recel Limited Spaces available!

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## **ATTENTION PARENTS**

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