



# Warmley Park School Newsletter

## March 2025

### Headteachers message:

A very happy Term 4 has brought us some exciting big developments.

Not only has warmer weather and longer days provided more opportunities for outdoor adventures, this has led to a speed up in the building works. Our new Caterpillar Class is almost at the 'final fix' stage, and our ladybird class is ready for a deep clean in order to welcome back our youngest learners after Easter.

### Staff Changes

In sad news, we will be saying goodbye to Rachel Cardwell, Alice Henderson and Fabiola Reyes Garcia at the end of term. We will miss all of them, but wish each a joyful next chapter in their lives and thank them for all they have done for us.

Staff changes are always really hard to absorb for our young people and for us as a team. We are not always able to fill vacancies as swiftly as we would want but we are fully committed to recruiting for all vacancies in a robust way to ensure that we are getting in staff to meet our children's needs in the best way possible. If you know of anyone who would be interested in working with us, please do direct them to 'e-teach' where all details can be found.

We come to the end of an era this year with Marian (Deputy Head) retiring from education. Marian has worked at Warmley Park for over 20 years and will be very much missed. Thankfully we still have Marian with us until the end of the academic year and as she is currently training hard alongside our post 16 learners preparing for the Ten Tors Challenge, we will certainly not be saying goodbye just yet.

However, we are all thrilled that we have appointed a new Deputy to join us from September. I look forward to sharing further details about them in due course, and after they have told their own school community that they are leaving.

Bethan Jones



(By Izzy – Y12)

Headteacher

Warmley Park School and College

### College Students – Visit to SPARKS



College students visited SPARKS Bristol for a Trade Links and Fashion workshop. Students followed the journey of cotton, from plant to T-shirt while exploring the fashion department. They discussed the impact of fast fashion on people and the planet and learnt to sew a button on to fabric.

## IMPORTANT DATES

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April – Last Day of Term 4!**

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – First Day of Term 5.**

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May – May Day Bank Holiday.**

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> May – Ten Tors Jubilee Challenge  
(College students)**

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May – Music and World Carnival Day –  
See below for details....**

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> May- IEP Meetings.**

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May - End of Term 5!**

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – INSET DAY (Teacher Training)**

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – First Day of Term 6.**



**Warmley Park World Carnival Day. Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May.**

**Music Drama Art Crafts Drumming a carnival rhythm.**

**Please wear bright coloured clothes.**

**A 50p donation would be appreciated towards refreshments.**

## JOIN SUNDAY JAM!

**Accessible music for young people under 25**



**Sunday Jam** is our new **music** and **movement** club for **disabled young people** and their families/personal assistants

We'll experiment with **instruments** and **technology**, playing **musical games**, creating **songs**, **moving** and **dancing**

Find out more and sign up to monthly sessions throughout **March - July** via the QR code



## JOIN US THIS EASTER EASTER CRAFTS

**TUESDAY 8TH APRIL  
AND 15TH APRIL  
2PM TO 4PM**

**FREE CRAFTS FOR KIDS  
WITH ENTRY TO MUSEUM**

**Kingswood Heritage Museum  
Tower Lane  
Warmley  
Bristol BS30 8XT**

**FREE CHOCOLATE TREAT  
WHILE STOCKS LAST!**

For more information visit  
**KINGSWOODMUSEUM.ORG.UK**





## Mini Eggs Warning

It's that time of year again when mini eggs are lining the supermarket shelves. But, did you know that, just like grapes, they are the perfect size to block a small child's airway and choke them? And their hard shell can make it difficult to dislodge with standard first aid techniques. With whole grapes we advise cutting them in half lengthways and ideally into quarters to create thin strips. But chopping up mini eggs isn't as easy. So, what can you do? 1. Hide them from the children and eat them yourself – good luck with that! 2. Break them into small pieces with a rolling pin. Or crush them in a pestle and mortar. Or melt them a little first. 3. opt for a different treat. Larger, hollow eggs are much safer for little ones. Visit our choking hub to learn more about common choking hazards and what you should do in an emergency: <https://capt.org.uk/choking-prevention/> #ChildSafety #ChildHealth #Easter2025



## ARBOR

Arbor links have been sent to all parents/carers that have given us their email addresses.

You should now be able to use Arbor to make payments for school lunches.

If you have any issues with this, please speak to us in the office.

Please check your junk folders if you are not receiving any emails from us, but have been set up.

If you need some support setting up the app, please arrive 10 minutes early for your child's CIN meeting and a member of staff will be pleased to help.

Arbor is a really useful tool between school and parents / guardians and can be used to make payments, give consent for trips as well as lots more.

### Coming next term...

You will be able to view your child's attendance on Arbor and also make their school meal choice for them. (Instructions will be sent out shortly)

## Warmley House College Visits



Our college students have continued to visit Warmley House Care Home this term, they have been very busy, Flower arranging, Mr Potato Head and Planting Bulbs!



*One of wonderful parents 'Emily' is running the Paris Marathon in April, raising funds for our school.*

*Good luck and thank you so much Emily, from all of us at Warmley Park School!*

*Please follow the link below if you would like to support Emily raising funds.*



**PARIS MARATHON**

Emily is raising money for her eldest daughters school, Warmley Park.

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Please scan QR code to donate.





## Tarragon Class – PE Sessions



Tarragon class have really enjoyed exploring Dodgeball this term in PE. We explored a range of different shapes, sizes and textures of balls. We even watched bubbles and balloons float around using a parachute! We experienced what it felt like to have the different balls land on us or touch our bodies. This has been a really fun topic to explore in PE and we can't wait to see how much fun we can have exploring cricket next term.



## Bags 2 School Collection Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May

**BAG 2 SCHOOL**  
FREE FUNDRAISING FOR SCHOOLS  
In partnership with your school or organisation



**Warmley Park School**



Bag 2 School is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality second-hand clothing and we have arranged to make a collection from your school. All the bags will be weighed and you will be paid for the total weight collected. Remember, the more you collect the greater the benefit to your school.



By using this paper leaflet we are helping to reduce unnecessary extra plastic. Please use your own bag or bags (there is no limit).

When the clothes have been removed from the bag the plastic will be packed and sent for recycling.

*We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE:*

**Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories.**

*(No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)*

**The more we weigh the more we pay!**  
*Extra bags are welcome - there's no limit*

**Please return your Bag2School on:**

**Friday 9 May 2025 by 9am**

01609 780 222

[www.bag2school.com](http://www.bag2school.com)

[helpdesk@bag2school.com](mailto:helpdesk@bag2school.com)



Next term, we are saying Goodbye to 3 members of our school family...

Rachel Cardwell,  
Alice Henderson  
and Fabiola Reyes  
Garcia.

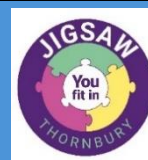
We wish them lots of  
luck in their new  
journeys.



Our lovely Medical  
Officer 'Jo' has  
taken up a 100k  
walking challenge in  
March for a charity  
very close to her  
heart.

If you can, please  
go on to her just  
giving page and  
support her:

<https://fundraising.sands.org.uk/fundraisers/jovile>



### Join the JIGSAW Jaunt – Fun, Fitness & Fundraising!

This year's JIGSAW Jaunt, a fun, family-friendly 5km walk around Thornbury took place on 29<sup>th</sup> March. Solving clues, exploring local landmarks, and supporting JIGSAW Thornbury's vital work for families.

Up until 13<sup>th</sup> April you can buy a map online and complete the walk over Easter.

Submit your answers by **13<sup>th</sup> April** for a chance to **win a month's gym membership!**

Want to know more about JIGSAW Thornbury visit  
[www.jigsawthornbury.org.uk](http://www.jigsawthornbury.org.uk)



## Timings for the School Day:

### Start of the Day:

Doors open at 8:55am

### End of the Day:

Parents collect from 3:05pm

Buses/Taxi's collect from 3:10pm

**(NO EARLY PICK UPS ALLOWED, Unless pre-arranged with the Head Teacher)**

College have been training for the Ten Tors challenge in May!



School Uniform Supplier.

Please follow the links below for purchasing School Uniform, with Free Delivery over £50.

**Primary Students:**

Warmley Park School (Warmley Park School - Primary) – My Clothing

**Secondary Students:**

Warmley Park School (Warmley Park School - Secondary) – My Clothing

[www.myclothing.com](http://www.myclothing.com)

0800 059 0594

## If you have a **learning disability** you can get a free **annual health check**.

- Annual health checks will help **improve your health**.
- Your GP will provide an annual health check.  
**Book an appointment today!**
- If you are **over 14 years old** you can get a check.
- Ask for a **free annual health check!**

**Autism Independence** supports people with a learning disability and autistic people and their families. We have a focus on ethnic minorities.

We have teamed up with local GP services to help people with a learning disability, with and without autism, to attend annual health checks.

Research shows that people with a learning disability from ethnic minorities do not go to their annual health checks. Health outcomes and life expectancy for these groups of people are a lot worse.

Autism Independence has been commissioned by BNSG ICB to help people go to their annual health checks.

Find out more at [autism-independence.org](http://autism-independence.org), email [hello@autism-independence.org](mailto:hello@autism-independence.org) or telephone: 07354 486 322.



Autism Independence







Our students have been very busy this term, Thyme and Chive have been to a Dodgeball Festival, hosted by Bristol Bears Community foundation.

Parsley class have been going to Majestic Gymnastics every week.

Sorrel class have been to a Table Cricket Tournament.



Huge thank you to **GCP Chartered Architects** for their very kind donation of a book hamper containing £100 of books for our students in celebration of World Book Day!

### A Special Visitor...a real Knight!

We had a very special visitor to school yesterday – a real live Knight!! One of our parents, Kev, whose son is in Lavender class, wore the suit of armour from the 14<sup>th</sup>/

15<sup>th</sup> Century and visited lots of our classes. It was fantastic to see the look of awe and wonder on our pupils faces and to hear the interesting questions they had to ask. A massive thank you to Kev for taking the time to come into school and share his knowledge. It was an experience our pupils will remember!



### College Students – Train Trip and Picnic.



College students learnt to take the train safely from Keynsham station to Bath and had a beautiful picnic by the River Avon.



**Have a Lovely Easter break, see you all on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025 for the start of Term 5!**