

Wistaston Weekly

Week 10 Friday 17th November 2023

I hope you all enjoyed taking part in positive noticing day yesterday. It was so great to see the children bringing smiles to each other faces with their lovely comments both to each other and the staff.

Next week we will be looking at Road Safety and hope you will talk to your children about this as you walk to and from school. Can I please ask all parents to keep a special eye on their children when leaving the playground and reinforce the message that the pavement and crossing area are not safe places to play or chase.

As previously can we also ask for your cooperation with keeping our access road clear and not parking on areas with double yellow lines. Thank you for your support with this matter.

Kind regards

Mrs Elsley

Principal

Useful Dates for Diary

Further details are shared nearer to the time.

Any new dates added to this will be highlighted in green.

Important dates can also be found on the School Calendar at: https://www.wcla.co.uk/108/school-calendar

Week Beginning 20 th November		
Week Beginning 27 th November	Monday 27 th	Year 1 Arctic Explorers and Polar Regions Workshop
	Thursday 30 th	Year 3 Sea Life Manchester
	Friday 1 st	Non-Uniform Day in exchange for a tombola item
	Saturday 2 nd	Friends of WCLA Winter Fair
Week Beginning 4 th December	Monday 4 th	Nursery Visit to St Mary's Church 9:45-11:15am
	Monday 4 th	Nursery Craft Afternoon with Family 2-3pm
	Wednesday 6 th	Y2B Nantwich Museum
	Wednesday 6 th	Years 3/4 & Years 5/6 Sports Hall Athletics Heat 7 at Shavington Academy 2-5pm (By invitation)
	Thursday 7 th	Y2H Nantwich Museum
	Friday 8 th	Elf Run in aid of St Luke's Hospice
	Friday 8 th	Christmas Choir Performance at5 Wistaston Church Hall 18:30-20:30
Week Beginning 11 th December	Monday 11 th	EYFS Nativity 13:30-14:30
	Tuesday 12 th	EYFS Nativity 9:30-10:30
	Wednesday 13 th	Flu Nasal Spray
	Friday 15 th	Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Dinner (Pupils and Staff)
Week Beginning 18 th December	Monday 18 th	KS2 Road Safety Presentation
	Tuesday 19 th	KS1 Carol Service (After school - Time TBC)
	Wednesday 20 th	Shavington Academy Christmas Concert (6-8pm – Time TBC)

	Thursday 21st	EYFS Regent Theatre Pantomime
	Friday 22 nd	Last Day of Term
Week Beginning 25 th December	Mon 25 th – Fri 29 th	Christmas Holiday
Week Beginning 1st January	Mon 1 st – Fri 5 th	Christmas Holiday
Week Beginning 8 th January	Monday 8 th	INSET Day

Week Commencing 20th November will be WEEK 2 for lunches

Friday Special Menu for 24th November 2023 (Gluten free and Dairy free available)

YELLOW	Chicken Burger with Fries and Baked		
PINK	Beans		
	Quorn Nuggets with Fries and Baked		
BLUE	Beans		
	Jacket Potato served with Cheese,		
BLUE	Beans or Tuna		
Dessert	Ice Cream		

What's New!

New Website Link

Following recent technical issues with our website, please see below a new link to access our school website which includes lots of useful information including term dates:

https://www.wclacademy.co.uk/

Helping Houses

Last week we introduced the children to our next Helping Houses project: **Wistaston's Toy and Joy Drive!** There are two parts to this project. The first part is a Toy Drive for the Salvation Army. The idea is that the children bring in a 'new' or 'like new' gift that can be given to a child at Christmas. Having been in contact with the Salvation Army in Crewe, here is a list of the types of items that they are hoping to receive:

- Main toys
- Stocking fillers
- Books
- Colouring books and crayons
- Sticker books
- Felt pens
- Play dough
- Jigsaws
- Family games

These will be collected on **Friday 1**st **December**, so any gifts would need to be in school prior to this date.

For the second part of the project we are going to be asking the children to write a letter to someone who may be spending Christmas alone, so that they can spread some joy. This letter will be accompanied by a picture that the children will draw. We will be sending these letters out prior to the Christmas holidays to hopefully put a smile on someone's face.

We hope that you are able to support us with this charity project, however, do not feel that your child is required to bring in a gift.

Year 5/6 Dodgeball Tournament

*** Awaiting result ***

Crewe Alexandra Kids Cup

*** Awaiting result of Finals Day ***

School Uniform

We are aware that some parents have experienced issues with school uniform purchased recently from our current supplier. If you are unhappy with the quality of any uniform that you purchase, we kindly ask that you email Smart Uniform directly at shop@smartuniform.co.uk and copy admin@wistaston.cheshire.sch.uk so that we are aware of your issue. If possible, please include photographs that illustrate the issue.

To help us further assess current school uniform, we would also be grateful if you could complete a short survey at: https://forms.gle/phWJwMWYUhfjUj2K8

Elf Run

We are pleased to be supporting this year's Elf Run in aid of St Luke's Hospice. On Friday 8th December, the whole school will take part in the Elf Run with everyone taking part getting their own Elf hat and sticker. Any donations in support of this event would be much appreciated. Donations should be made via our JustGiving page (See the QR Code below for details):





Staff Vacancies

We have a vacancy for a Midday Assistant. If you know anyone who could be interested, please see https://www.tes.com/jobs/vacancy/-1946597 for more details. Please note that all applications need to be submitted online via this link.

Winter Fair

The Friends are currently planning the Winter Fair which will be held on Saturday 2^{nd} December. Can you help them with any of the following?

- Raffle prizes Maybe a voucher for a business you run/ work for or an unwanted gift?
- Cakes Can any bakers make any delicious treats or can you donate any tasty purchased products?
- Helpers on the day Can you spare an hour?
- Independent stalls Do you or do you know anybody that would want to run a stall?

Please let us know by either messaging the Friends via our Facebook page or contacting the school office. All help is much appreciated.

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday 2nd December

WCLA Winter Fair



Consents on Arbor

If you have not done so already, please log onto your child's Arbor account to confirm consents for the following for this academic year:

- Local Area Visits
- 2023/2024 Photo Permissions
- Mobile Phone (Y5 and Y6 only)
- Walking Home Alone (Y5 and Y6 only)
- Arbor Update (To confirm that you have checked all information shown on Arbor is correct)
- Pupil Self Registration at Swan Stars Breakfast Club (Year 6 only)

Please note that new consents are required for each academic year. Thank you.

Asthma Forms

If your child suffers with asthma and you have not yet done so this academic year, please return completed asthma forms to the School Office at your earliest possible opportunity. Paper copies are available from the Office if required. Thank you.

Upcoming Sports Competition

There is an upcoming sports competition as follows:

• Year 3&4 and Y5&6 Sports Hall Athletics Heat 7 – Wednesday 6th December 14:00-17:30 (By invitation only) – There will also be practice sessions in school during Wednesday lunchtimes on 8th, 15th and 22nd November.

Sports Coaching Group Winter Games Holiday Clubs

Sports Coaching Group are excited to be running a brand new competition during the Christmas holidays where pupils have the chance to participate in their 'Winter Games'. This is a series of sporting and enrichment activities with a points system that could lead to school having the opportunity to win a £250 PE provision voucher or a new team sports kit. Therefore, the more children that attend the camps, the better the chances! If you are interested in booking a place for your child, please visit the link below:

Wistaston Church Lane: https://sports-coaching-group.classforkids.io/camp/152

They also have their HAF programme running which provides **free places** for children who receive income-related free school meals. If your child is eligible, please visit the link below for more details:

Wistaston Church Lane HAF: https://eequ.org/experience/5360





Reception Places September 2024

If you have a child born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020, applications are now open for Reception places in September 2024. Please see below for more details or visit

https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schools/admissions/admissions.aspx.



Payment Due Dates

KS2 Snack Autumn 2 – Overdue

Year 2 Nantwich Museum - Overdue

Year 3 Delamere Residential – **Deposit of £26 Overdue**

Year 1 Arctic Explorers Workshop – Payment due by 17/11/23

Year 3 Delamere Residential – Final Balance due by 17/12/23