



# Wistaston Weekly

Week 18

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Last term we established our new weekly communications with parents, the learning poster, to enable you to see an overview of the learning taking place in your child's class and receive any updates for the week ahead. I am pleased to hear that you have found this useful and also that it has sparked interesting conversations on the walk home and at dinner. This term we will have the first of our open morning sessions where you will be able to join your child's class and be part of the lesson. This will be on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March and you will be able to be part of a reading lesson. (more details to follow nearer the time) We understand that not all parents may be able to attend a session held in the day and therefore will also be releasing our monthly 'Spotlight on...' which will be a short video posted on the school website. Our first Spotlight theme in February will be 'How to support children's behaviour at home and at school' followed by 'Early Reading' in March.

We also encourage parents to be involved in the life of the school by taking on the role of a school governor, a great opportunity to support the school by acting as our 'critical friend', and helping shape the future direction of the school. If you are interested in being a school governor do talk to me directly on the playground or email the school office for further details. As always I look forward to working in partnership with you all.

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>

<b>Week Beginning 29<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February</b>	<b>Year 4 Chester Deva Trip</b>
	Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	No Year 5&6 Reading Club
	Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	Year 5/6 Sports Hall Athletics Final (By invitation only) - 15:45-18:00 at Brine Leas High School
<b>Week Beginning 5<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>	Children's Mental Health Week
	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Safer Internet Day
	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS & KS1 Intra-House Cross Country (Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis) - 12:30-13:00 during lunchtime on the school field
	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Friends of WCLA Meeting 18:00
<b>Week Beginning 12<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 16 <sup>th</sup>	No After School Clubs this week
	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 Chester Zoo Trip
	Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> -Tues 13 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 Bikeability Level 2
	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	KS3 Intra-House Cross Country (Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis) - 12:30-13:15 during lunchtime on the school field
	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Smart Uniform Click & Collect 3-3:30pm
	Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Non-Uniform Day in aid of Our Jay Foundation (Defibrillator)
	Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	ELS Book Bus 13:15-14:45

	Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> – Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS & KS1 Parents' Evenings
<b>Week Beginning 19<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Mon19 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Half Term
<b>Week Beginning 26<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	Year 2 Florence Nightingale Workshop
	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Open morning – Reading
	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Official Nursery Opening 12:30
<b>Week Beginning 4<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>	NFER Assessment Week
	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Helping Children Deal with Losses of any Kind 13:30-15:00
	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	World Book Day

**Week Commencing 29<sup>th</sup> January will be WEEK 2 for lunches**

**Friday Special Menu for 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024**  
( Gluten free and Dairy free available )

<b>YELLOW</b>	Pepperoni Pizza with Wedges and Baked Beans
<b>PINK</b>	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Wedges and Baked Beans
<b>BLUE</b>	Jacket Potato served with Cheese, Beans or Tuna
<b>GREEN</b>	Ham Sandwich
<b>Dessert</b>	Choc Chip Cookies

## What's New!

### Parents' Evenings

Parents Evenings for this term will take place on the following dates:

- EYFS & KS1 – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February
- KS2 – Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March

Bookings will be made on Arbor. Bookings for EYFS & **KS1 are now live on Arbor**. Bookings for KS2 will be available at some time in March and further information will follow closer to the time.

### After School Clubs – Spring Term

Please be aware that there will be no Year 5/6 Reading Club on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February. All other clubs will be running as normal next week (w/c 29<sup>th</sup> January).

Please also note that there will be no After School Clubs running w/c 12<sup>th</sup> February due to parents' evenings.

### Year 5/6 Under 11s School Cup County Football Finals

\*\*\* Results to be added \*\*\*

### Light the Way: Crewe & Nantwich Rugby Club

Some of our pupils are part of the Crewe and Nantwich Rugby Club and they currently trying to raise funds to provide lighting on the pitches to enable them to train in the evenings during the week.

If you would like to support this local cause, please see the link below for details:

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/light-the-way-boost-crewe-and-nantwich-rugby>

## Sport Events

There are a number of sporting events coming up in the coming weeks:

- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February (15:45-18:00 at Brine Leas High School) – Year 5/6 Sports Hall Athletics Final (By invitation only)
- Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February (12:30-13:00 during lunchtime on the school field) – EYFS & KS1 Intra-House Cross Country (Places are limited and were allocated on a first come, first served basis – **This event is now fully subscribed**)
- Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February (12:30-13:15 during lunchtime on the school field) – KS2 Intra-House Cross Country (Places are limited and were allocated on a first come, first served basis – **This event is now fully subscribed**)

Consent for these events should be given via *Clubs* in Arbor.

## Helping Children Deal with Losses of any Kind

There is still time to sign up for Mrs Clifford's 4-session x 1hr weekly programme in conjunction with [www.griefrecoverymethod.com](http://www.griefrecoverymethod.com) to help children deal with losses of any kind - from friendship issues, to the absence, separation or death of a pet, divorce, loss of grandparents right through to everyday experiences such as moving class/school, losing a prized possession or loss of academic hopes, dreams and expectations. This brilliant course delivers top tips and support strategies, designed to give you a helpful toolkit of language choices – including what **not** to say! Loss is an



unavoidable part of life and validating emotions, not comparing losses and active listening are just some of the tools that Mrs Clifford will explore with you. For full details and to book a free place please email Nicky Clifford – [nclifford@wistaston.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:nclifford@wistaston.cheshire.sch.uk).

Location – Wistaston Church Lane Academy

Dates:

**6<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – 1:30-3pm**

**13<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – 1:30 -3pm**

**20<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – 1:30 -3pm**

**27<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – 1:30 – 3pm**

## FRIENDS BIN

### Family First Magazine

Please find below a link to the latest issue of Family First:

[https://issuu.com/sevenstarmedia/docs/ff\\_winter2024\\_digital160124](https://issuu.com/sevenstarmedia/docs/ff_winter2024_digital160124)

## Payment Due Dates

KS2 Snack Spring 1 – **Overdue**

Year 2 Nantwich Museum – **Overdue**

Year 1 Arctic Explorers Workshop – **Overdue**

Year 1 Chester Zoo – Payment by 26/01/24

Year 2 Florence Nightingale Workshop – Payment by 23/02/24

Year 5 York Residential – Deposit due by 23/02/24

Year 5 York Residential – Final Balance due by 27/03/24