Week 28



Wistaston Weekly

Friday 25th April 2025

We're delighted to welcome everyone back as we begin an exciting summer term. This week, we are starting our brand-new timetable designed to boost your child's learning and enjoyment across all subjects. This means English and Maths will now be delivered in shorter, focused 30-minute sessions spread throughout the day to help improve concentration and memory. Each week, children will enjoy a dedicated 'Foundation Day' full of creative, hands-on learning in subjects such as Science, History, Geography, and the Arts. These longer sessions will also allow for deeper, more practical experiences in subjects like PE, Computing, and Art and core skills in Maths and English will continue to be developed naturally across all areas of learning. Foundation Days will also give us a chance to celebrate key events such as VE Day coming up soon.

Full details of the curriculum, including a sample timetable, are available on the class webpages now. While visiting the website, don't forget to check the calendar for dates of your child's parent assembly and upcoming summer events like sports day, family picnic and all our transition events.

Next week, we'll be bringing back 'positive noticing'—keep an eye out for those cheerful yellow tags coming home!

Here's to a fantastic term ahead!

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.wclacademy.co.uk/calendar

Week commencing 28 th April	Monday 28 th	Reception People Who Help Us Day (A day of activities during the normal school day – No dressing up required)
	Monday 28 th	Young Carers Assembly (KS1 & 2)
	Monday 28 th	Year 5 & 6 Inter-School Football Friendly vs Shavington Primary (By invitation – Spring Term Wednesday After-School Football Club) 3:20-4:30pm
	Tuesday 29 th	Reception Fire Engine Visit at WCLA (Date changed from 30 th)
	Wednesday 30 th	Positive noticing day
	Thursday 1 st May	Year 1 Nantwich Museum Workshop
	Thursday 1 st May	Year 5 Smokebusters with Cheshire Fire & Rescue
	Friday 2 nd	St Thomas More Catholic High School Teacher Visit (Year 6)
	Friday 2 nd	Drop in with the Educational Psychology Team - Monks Coppenhall Family Hub (Crewe) 1-2:30pm
Week commencing 5 th May	Monday 5 th	Bank Holiday – School is closed today
	Tuesday 6 th	Smart Uniform Click & Collect (3-3:30pm)
	Thursday 8 th	VE Day
	Thursday 8 th	Cygnet Open Event – Booking required (2-3pm)
	Friday 9 th	SEND Drop In at Monks Coppenhall (1-2:30pm)
Week commencing 12th May	Mon 12 th – Thur 15 th	SATs Week
	Thursday 15 th	Census Day
	Saturday 17 th May	Macclesfield Bikeathon – 'Just Drop In' Family Cycle Ride (See below for details)
Week commencing 19th May	Tuesday 20 th	Year 1 Legoland Discovery Centre
,	Tuesday 20 th	Year 5 Parent Assembly (2:30pm)
	Wednesday 21st	September 2025 New Reception Park Visit (15:30-16:00)
	Wednesday 21st	National Number Day
	Friday 23 rd	Non-Uniform Day for Friends' 30 th Celebrations
Week commencing 26th May	Mon 26 th – Fri 30 th	Half Term
Week commencing 2 nd June	Mon 2 nd – Fri 6 th	Festival of Fiction Week
	Mon 2 nd – Fri 6 th	Year 4 Multiplication Check
	Tuesday 3 rd	Reception Parent Assembly (2:30-3pm)
	Tuesday 3 rd	Smart Uniform Click & Collect (3-3:30pm)
	Thursday 5 th	Reception Runway Visitor Park Trip
	Thursday 5 th	St Thomas More Catholic High School Year 6 Transition Evening (5:30-6:30pm)
	Friday 6 th	SEND Drop In at Monks Coppenhall (1-2:30pm)
Week commencing 9th June	Mon 9 th – Fri 13 th	Year 1 Phonics Screener
	Monday 9 th	Reception Transport Day
	Tuesday 10 th	Year 1 Parent Assembly (2:30pm)
	Thursday 12 th	EYFS Transition
	Friday 13 th	Drop in with the Educational Psychology Team - Monks Coppenhall Family Hub (1-2:30pm)
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Week commencing 16 th June	Monday 16 th Monday 16 th	Year 4 Maya Workshop Town Sports Field Events (Invitation Only) 5-7:30pm
	Tuesday 17 th	Year 2 Parent Assembly (2:30pm)
	Wednesday 18 th	Town Sports Track Events (Invitation only) 5-8pm
Week commencing 23 rd June	Tuesday 24 th	Year 3 Parent Assembly (2:30pm)
week commencing 23. June	Tuesday 24 th	Year 6 Intake Evening at brine Leas
	Tues 24 th -Thurs 26 th	Year 6 Malbank Transition Days
	Wednesday 25 th	Moving Up Morning
	Weds 25 th – Thurs 26 th	Year 6 Intake Days at Brine Leas
	Thurs 26 th – Fri 27 th	St Thomas More Catholic High School Year 6 Intake
		Days

Week Commencing 28th April will be WEEK 2 for lunches

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What's New!

Academy Photography – Class & Year 6 Leaver Photographs

Photo proofs for the class and Year 6 leaver photographs are expected in the next week. These will be sent out ASAP and will include instructions for ordering online.

Sports Day – Change of Date

Please be aware that Sports Day and the Family Picnic will now take place on Thursday 3rd July. This is due to the timing of some Year 6 secondary school transition days. Apologies for any inconvenience caused by the change.

Relationships, Sex and Health Education

Thank you to the parents who attended our annual parent meeting regarding the RSHE curriculum. As detailed in the presentation, all of the relationship and health curriculum is statutory for all schools and therefore parents cannot request their child to be absent from these lessons. Health is also often covered in Science as well as PSHE. As a school we have decided to deliver sex education to our children but all the information given is age appropriate and shared as part of the PSHE lessons taking place. All lessons in Nursery – Year 3 are statutory. In Years 4,5 and 6 there is only one lesson each year which is not statutory and therefore if you do not want your child to be part of the lesson on puberty and human reproduction please email the school office with the subject heading 'PSHE parental permission' and this will be passed to the class teacher. Details of the PSHE lessons will also be included in the weekly learning poster so you are ready to support at home with any questions or comments from your children. If you require any further information please talk to Mrs Elsley.

SEND Drop In Sessions

Please see below details of SEND drop in sessions for parents/carers:



Arbor Information

To ensure school has up-to-date contact information in case of an emergency, please check your child's Arbor account and inform school immediately by email of any changes or errors. Please also ensure that all consents (e.g. Local Area Visits, photographs, walking home, mobile phones, etc) are up to date and contact the school office if you have any issues. Thank you.

Attendance & Fines for Unauthorised Absence

We are working closely with our Education Welfare Office to improve our attendance and prevent children's attendance from falling below 95%. Children with attendance below 90% are classed as persistent absentees. We are contacting parents by letter if we are worried that a child's attendance is becoming close to 90%. Please be assured that this is just a process and that we are here to support families as much as we can to improve attendance.

If you wish to find out more, you may refer to the following:

- Pupil Attendance and Registration Policy: https://www.wclacademy.co.uk/policies
- Cheshire East School Attendance: www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schools/school-attendance/attendance-and-children-out-of-education.aspx
- Department for Education:

https://www.gov.uk/school-attendance-absence/overview

If your child is going to be absent due to a medical appointment, please inform the school office and show confirmation of the appointment (This can be by letter, text, appointment card or email).

If your child is going to be absent due to illness, please inform the school office and give as much detail as possible regarding their symptoms/diagnosis for their attendance records.

If your child is going to be absent for any other reason (e.g. holiday, wedding, non-medical appointment), please complete a Leave of Absence Request Form at your earliest possible opportunity and attach any relevant supporting information that you wish to be taken into consideration. You should be aware that if your child is taken out of school and the reasons are not classed as exceptional, the absence will be recorded as unauthorised. **Any appeal should be made prior to the end of the period of absence before an FPN is issued.**

The law requires all children between the ages of 5 and 16 to be in full time education. Under Section 7 of the Education Act 1996 it is the duty of the parent/carer of a child of compulsory school age to ensure that they attend school regularly.

A new National Framework for Penalty Notices came into force on 19th August 2024. As a result of these changes, absences will be tracked over a rolling 3 year period and penalty notices will be issued for the following:

- Term time leave of 5 or more consecutive days
- 10 sessions of unauthorised leave in a rolling 10 week period

Please note that penalty notices may also be issued before the threshold is met where it appears parents are deliberately avoiding the national threshold by taking several term time holidays of less than 5 days.

Penalty notices will continue to be issued per parent per child as follows:

- First Offence For term time leave or irregular school attendance; Charged at £160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days, reducing to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.
- Second Offence Where a second notice is issued within 3 years of the first penalty notice for either term time leave or irregular attendance, this will be charged at £160 if paid within 28 days.
- Third Offence If a third offence occurs within 3 years of the first penalty notice, a penalty notice will not be issued but the case may proceed to Parental Prosecution under the Single Justice Procedure. If found guilty of the offence of 'Failure to send a child to school', the Magistrate can impose a fine up to £1000 or legal proceedings under Section 444 (1a) can include a fine of up to £2500.

Please be aware that these changes are national changes and all penalty notices will be issued by Cheshire East Council. The school does not benefit financially in any way from any fines issued.

Community Share Hub

Please see below details of our local Community Share Hub (Previously known as Motherwell):



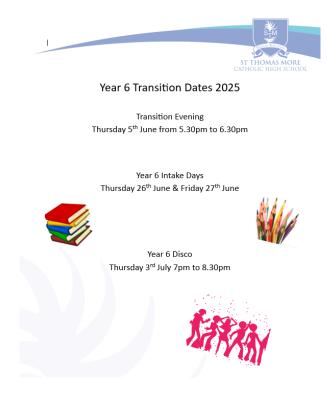
Wistaston Village Cricket Club – Under 11 Girls Only Taster Session

Please see below details of a taster session for girls aged 7-11 years on Saturday 26th April:



St Thomas More Catholic High School Transition Events – Year 6

Please see below details of transition events for Year 6 pupils transferring to St Thomas More Catholic High School in September:



NHS Dental Access

If you are struggling to access NHS dental care, please see below for details of services available at The Old Surgery in Crewe:



Sports Coaching Group After School Clubs – Summer 1

Please see below details of after school clubs that will be run by SCG next half term. Please note that these do not show on Arbor and have to be booked directly through SCG at:

<u>Wistaston Church Lane Primary School - Summer Term 1 (Tue 22nd Apr 2025 - Thu 22nd May 2025) | Sports Coaching Group | Powered by ClassForKids</u>



KS1 Hub

Our KS1 lunchtime Hub promotes cooperative play and working towards goals. The hub would be grateful of any donations of the following:

Classic Lego

Train set

Toy garage & cars

Farm/Zoo/Dinosaurs

Construction toys

Lunch Payments & KS2 Snack

If you have children in years 3, 4, 5 & 6, would like them to have snack each half term, please confirm consent and make payment via the *Trips* section on Arbor. Snack is charged at £5.10 per child for each half term. KS2 Snack for this half term shows as *KS2 Snack Summer 1 2025*.

When topping up meal accounts, please be mindful that we are unable to refund any balances remaining at the end of the school year.

School Office Closure

Please be aware that the school office will be closed on Tuesdays from 1pm until 3pm for the next few weeks. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Easyfundraising

Thank you to everyone who is supporting us for free on #easyfundraising. Your continued support means the world to us! If you've not signed up yet, please join today and you can

raise free donations for Wistaston Church Lane Academy every time you shop online this year! Over 8,000 retailers like eBay, Argos, Marks and Spencer, John Lewis & Partners, Etsy, Tesco and Just Eat will donate at no extra cost to you. Please sign up today:

https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/wistastonchurchlaneacademy/c9kbjl/c2s/FZ9Up2Ac/CE9 47/facebook/

School Lottery

The Friends of Wistaston Church Lane Academy would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has signed up to our school lottery over the last few weeks. For further information on how to join our lottery and support our school, please visit:

https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/wistaston-church-lane-academy?utm_campaign=cause-page-social-share&utm_source=cause-page&utm_medium=social&utm_content=Hyperlink



Payment Due Dates

KS2 Snack Spring 2 – Payment now OVERDUE

Year 6 (Current Year 5) London 2025 – 3rd payment now OVERDUE

KS2 Snack Summer 1 - Payment now due

Reception Runway Visitor Centre – Payment due by 02/05/25

Year 4 Mayan Workshop – Payment due by 16/05/25

Year 5 Primary College – Payment due by 16/05/25

Year 6 (Current Year 5) London 2025 – 4th payment of £100 due by 31/05/25

Year 3 Portals to the Past Egyptian Workshop – Payment due by 02/06/25

Year 6 (Current Year 5) London 2025 – Final Balance due by 03/07/25