Wistaston Weekly



Week 4

Friday 27th September 2024

Reading is an essential part of life. It connects us to other people, helps us to think and feel differently and allows us to travel without moving. Reading is also one of the main ways that we learn and offers so many opportunities to open up imaginations and increase mental health and wellbeing. Research has shown that children who read for pleasure are more likely to enjoy learning, succeed at school and achieve good levels of education. They also have higher levels of self-esteem, confidence and problem-solving skills than those who do not read frequently.

To celebrate reading at WCLA we have again invited Scholastic Book Fair to school and this will run from this evening, Friday 27th September to Wednesday 2nd October (15:20-16:10). Do come and pay it a visit, the fair will be in the KS1 building with access through the main office doors. Please see further details below but hope to see you there.

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 30 th September	Mon 30 th – Wed 2 nd	Scholastic Book Fair (15:20-16:10)
	Tuesday 1 st October	Y6 Evacuee Day
	Tues 1 st – Thurs 31 st	Black History Month
	Wed 2 nd -Fri 4 th Oct	Y4 Whitemoor Lakes Residential
	Thursday 3 rd	Autumn Census Day
	Thursday 3 rd	Helping Children Deal with Losses of any Kind (13:30-15:00)
	Thursday 3 rd	Shavington Academy Open Evening 5-7pm
	Friday 4 th	Ruskin Community High School Open Morning (9:15-11)
	Friday 4 th	EYFS/KS1 Open Afternoon (14:45)
Week Beginning 7 th October	Monday 7 th	KS2 Open Morning (9am)
	Wed 9 th – Thurs 10 th	Year 5 Atlanta Parents Evening
	Thursday 10 th	Helping Children Deal with Losses of any Kind (13:30-15:00)
	Friday 11 th	Y6 Eden Camp
	Friday 11 th	Ruskin Community High School Open Morning (9:15-11)
Week Beginning 14 th October	Mon 14 th – Fri 18 th	Harvest Collection Week for Chance Changing Lives
	Tuesday 15 th	Y5/6 Crewe Alexandra Kids Cup (9:30-13:00 @ Crewe Alexandra in the Community)
	Wed 16 th – Thurs 17 th	EYFS/KS1 Parents Evening
	Thursday 17 th	Helping Children Deal with Losses of any Kind (13:30- 15:00)
	Friday 18 th	Ruskin Community High School Open Morning (9:15-11)
Week Beginning 21st October	Tuesday 22 nd	The Friends of WCLA AGM – 5:30pm
	Wed 23 rd – Thurs 24 th	Year 3, 4 & 6 and Y5 Los Angeles Parents Evening
	Thursday 24 th	Helping Children Deal with Losses of any Kind (13:30-15:00)
	Friday 25 th	Ruskin Community High School Open Morning (9:15-11)
Week Beginning 28th October	Mon 28 th – Fri 1 st Nov	Half Term
Week Beginning 4th November	Monday 4 th	INSET Day
	Tuesday 5 th	School reopens to pupils
	Tues 5 th – Fri 8 th	Remembrance Week (The Christmas Truce)
	Wednesday 6 th	Y5 Los Angeles Viking Experience Day
	Thursday 7 th	Y5 Atlanta Viking Experience Day
Week Beginning 11 th November	Mon 11 th – Fri 15 th	Anti-Bullying Week
	Wednesday 13 th	Y2 Helsinki Nantwich Museum
	Thursday 14 th	Y2 Amsterdam Nantwich Museum
	Friday 15 th	Year 3 Sea Life Centre Manchester
Week Beginning 18 th November	Tuesday 19 th	Crewe Alexandra FC Premier League Primary Stars U11 Girls Tournament (9:30-12:00 @ Crewe Alexandra in
		the Community)
	Wednesday 20 th	the Community) World Children's Day
	Wednesday 20 th Thursday 21 st	
Week Beginning 25 th November		World Children's Day

Week Commencing 30th September will be WEEK 1 for lunches

Please be aware that there are special menus this week on Tuesday 1st November (Year 6 Evacuee Day) and Thursday 3rd November.



What's New!

Friends of WCLA AGM

Please see below link to use when joining the meeting on Microsoft Teams. The meeting starts at 5:30 pm on 22nd October and you are welcome to attend in person or online.

Join the meeting here

Meeting ID: 313 044 935 875

Passcode: xjkLvz

Site Safety

Please can we remind everyone that dogs are not permitted on the school site at any time unless they are registered assistance dogs. This includes animals that are carried by their owners. Thank you for your kind cooperation and understanding in this matter.

Please can we also remind everyone that parents and carers are not permitted to use either of the school car parks at drop off and collection for the normal school day unless they have a Blue Badge and have been authorised by school to do so.

Pupil Collection

If your child is going to be collected by someone other than yourself, including going home with another parent from the school, please ensure that school is informed in advance. We appreciate your help in this matter.

Scholastic Book Fair

Don't' forget that we will be holding a book fair on **Friday 27th September to Wednesday 2nd October 3.20pm-4.10pm.** Please note we are a **cashless school** so please do not be offended if we refuse cash on the day. Card payments can be made at the bookfair using either a card machine or a QR code which can be scanned using smartphones and payments will be made through Sage Pay. The QR code can be used to order books at home using your wishlist but please ensure your child brings

in a list of the books they have ordered for us to distribute, as the books will not be sent out to you via Scholastic books.

Year 6 Evacuee Day – Tuesday 1st October

Year 6 are having an Evacuee Day on **Tuesday 1st October.** Year 6 pupils should come to school dressed as an evacuee on this day. The costumes do not need to be bought, anything you have at home can work just as well. Don't forget we would like them to make their gas mask boxes, as they are an important piece of equipment for the day. They are really easy to make. All they need is a small box, some brown paper, a label (so we know whose is whose) and some string to carry it with. It can be taped, stapled or glued together – whatever is at hand at home. Remember – make do and mend!

Throughout the day Year 6 will complete fun activities relating to the topic of evacuation.

There will be a special menu on this day (see above). This menu will be available to the whole school.

Year 4 Whitemoor Lakes

Please see below for Year 4 pupils attending the Whitemoor Lakes Residential:

- Meals will be provided except for a packed lunch on the first day. Please could you send a
 packed lunch in a named disposable bag. No breakable bottles please.
- Please use the kit list when packing. Please pack light and label all items Rucksacks and holdalls are better than hard cases for stacking in the coach. No specialist equipment is provided.
- Children need to be in school at the normal time.
- Children are expected to return to school for 3.30pm but if there are delays then parents will be updated via our text messaging service
- If children require any medication during the trip, please provide this in its original packaging, clearly named. It should be brought into school in a named lidded container (e.g. Tupperware) and include a completed Medication Form.

School Census Day – Infant School Dinners – Thursday 3rd October

We would be very grateful if every infant pupil was able to have a school dinner on the Census Day on Thursday 3rd October.

Money comes into schools in different ways. One way that money comes into its central budget is from infant school dinners. The government pay for children in the infants to have a free meal each day. The money is put into the school budget at the start of September (which we receive monthly). In order to decide how much money to allocate each school, they carry out a census in the Autumn and Spring Terms. They work out how many infant children have a dinner on those two days and allocate funds accordingly.

Church Visits - Reception & Cygnets

Reception will be going on a Local Area Visit to St Mary's Church during the afternoon session on Monday 30th September. Cygnets will be going during the morning Session on Thursday 3rd October. Please ensure your child has a suitable waterproof coat in the event of inclement weather. Local Area Consents should be given on Arbor prior to the visits if you have not done so already.

Helping Children Deal with Losses of any Kind

Mrs Clifford will be starting her 4-session x 1hr weekly programme in conjunction with www.griefrecoverymethod.com next week 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.

Location – Wistaston Church Lane Academy



Dates:

3rd October 2024 - 1:30 - 3pm

10th October 2024 - 1:30 - 3pm

17th October 2024 - 1:30 - 3pm

24th October 2024 - 1:30 - 3pm

EYFS/KS1 Open Afternoon – Friday 4th October

If parents of Cygnets, Reception and Year 1 & 2 children would like to visit school and see their children in class, there will be an open afternoon on Friday 4th October. Parents should wait at the main pedestrian gate near the main school car park. The gate will open just before 2:45pm. Parents visiting Cygnets will access Preschool through their normal route. Parents visiting Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will enter through the Swan Stars Infants door where they will receive a visitor sticker before being directed to the appropriate classroom. Parents will be asked to exit the building just before the end of the normal school day to allow children to get ready for collection. Children should be collected as normal afterwards.

Academy Photography

Proofs have been distributed this morning and the deadline date for orders is **9am Monday 14th October**. Where possible, orders should be placed directly online with Academy Photography at www.academyphotos.co.uk using the image reference and password shown on your proof.

Children's Nasal Spray Flu Vaccine

If your child missed the Nasal Spray Flu Vaccine on Monday 23rd September, the Immunisation Team will be holding some Catch Up Fluenz Clinics. These have to be booked directly with the Immunisation Team. Please see below for details:





Important information regarding children's Nasal Flu Vaccine - FLUENZ

If your child missed their vaccination when the School Aged Immunisation team visited school and you dould still like your child to have their vaccination at a community clinic, please complete the abooking form below. If you missed the deadline to fill lin a consent form before the School Aged immunisation Team visited your child's school and you would still like your child to have their nasafl waccination, please complete the booking form below. You will be required to fill in an e-consent form.

Fluenz booking form.

Child's Name	
Child's DOB	
Child's School	
Parents Contact	
Number	
Parent's Email	

Date	Venue	Preferred clinic (please X
Wednesday 2 nd October	Middlewich	
Tuesday 15th October	Middlewich	
Tuesday 29th October	Macclesfield	
Wednesday 30th October	Middlewich	
Thursday 31st October	Crewe	
Friday 1st November	Wilmslow	
Saturday 9th November	Crewe	
Wednesday 13th November	Middlewich	
Saturday 30th November	Macclesfield	
Wednesday 11th December	Middlewich	
Saturday 14th December	Crewe	

If you have not yet completed a consent form, you will be required to fill one in prior to receiving an appointment.

Kind Regards, Cheshire East School Aged Immunisation Team





Dear Parent/Guardian,

wcnt.immunisation@nhs.net

Children's Nasal Spray Flu Vaccine

The children's nasal spray flu vaccine is safe and effective. It's offered every year during the flu on to children to help protect them against <u>flu</u>.

Flu can be an unpleasant illness and can cause serious complications. Children can catch and spread flu easily. Vaccinating your child also protects vulnerable family members and friends.

The vaccination is free and is a quick, simple, and painless spray up the nose. Even if your child had the vaccine last year, types of flu can vary, so it is recommended to have it annually to maximise protection. Since the flu vaccine programme was introduced, most children offered the vaccine in schools have received the flu nasal spray annually.

For more information about the nasal spray flu vaccine please read the online leaflet: <u>Protecting your child against flu</u>. This leaflet includes information about the small number of children for whom the nasal spray vaccine is not appropriate for. Further information can also be found on the <u>NHS website</u>.

The School Aged Immunisations Team will only vaccinate children with a valid e-consent for if you DO NOT fill the e-consent form in your child will not be able to have the vaccination in school. To consent to your child having the nasal spray flu vaccine please complete the E-consent form via the link below, using the code for your child's school.

The code for your school is WC141568

If your child becomes wheezy, has a bad attack of asthma, or has started oral steroids for their asthma after you complete the E-consent form, please contact the team on: wcnt.immunisation@nhs.net

Cheshire East School Age Immunisations Team





Consents & Contact Information

If you have not yet done so, please confirm consents as follows for the new academic year on Arbor:

- 2024/2025 Mobile Phones (Years 5 & 6 Only)
- 2024/2025 Walking Home Alone (Years 5 & 6 Only)
- 2024/2025 Year 6 Pupil Self Registration for Swan Stars Breakfast Club
- September 2024 onwards Assemblies, Concerts Sports Day, School and Class Photograph's and Ad-hoc Events (Photograph Consents)
- September 2024 onwards Educational and School Promotional Purposes (Photograph Consents)
- Website and Social Media September 2024 onwards (Photograph Consents)
- Local Area Visits September 2024 onwards

We also ask that that you complete the 2024/2025 Arbor Update to confirm that details we hold on Arbor are correct.

Asthma & Inhalers

If your child has been diagnosed with asthma or sometimes needs an inhaler, please ensure that there is an inhaler on site which is in date along with a completed Prescribed Medication Form for the new academic year. We also ask that you confirm that the information we hold regarding your child's condition is up to date. If you have not yet completed new Asthma Forms for this academic year, we ask that you check the forms we have on file at the office and sign them to confirm the information is correct or complete new forms which are available from the office.

Please note that if we do not receive an update from you, we will assume that the current information we have is correct.

School Applications

Please see below details of the application process for admissions to Reception and Secondary School in September 2025:



Secondary School Open Days

Please see below details of upcoming secondary school open days:

• Ruskin Community High School – Friday 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th October 9:15-11am



• Shavington Academy – Thursday 3rd October 5-7pm

The Academy will also run some Open Morning Tours **after** Open Evening. These will be before the application deadline. Dates will be confirmed in due course.



Sports Coaching Breakfast & After-School Clubs

Sports Coaching Group have updated their clubs for this half term (**These have to be booked directly with Sports Coaching Group**):



If attending the SCG Breakfast Multi-Sports Clubs, please be aware that no food is provided and children should have eaten breakfast at home before attending. Children for these clubs will be met at the gate at the front of the school. SCG staff will supervise the children until they join their classes at the start of the normal school day.

To allow children to settle back into school, teacher run after-school clubs will start after half term. Details of these will follow in the near future.

Child Accident Prevention Trust Advice

Please see below some new advice from CAPT to help keep children safe:



Asda Cashpot for Schools

Every time you shop with Asda Rewards from 2nd September to 30th November, Asda will donate 0.5% of your total spend to a primary school of your choice. Plus Asda will pop £1 into the school's Cashpot every time someone opts in. Please think of Wistaston Church Lane Academy if you are shopping at Asda. We appreciate your support.



Payment Due Dates

KS2 Snack Autumn 1 - Now due

Year 4 Whitemoor Lakes - Final Balance OVERDUE

Year 6 Eden Camp - Payment due by 27/09/24

Year 3 Delamere Residential – Deposit due by 27/09/24

Year 3 Sea Life Centre Manchester – Payment by 24/10/24

Year 1 Arctic Workshop – Payment due by 01/11/24

Year 2 Nantwich Museum – Payment due by 01/11/24

Year 5 Viking Workshop – Payment due by 01/11/24

Year 3 Delamere Residential – Final Balance due by 06/12/24