

Wistaston Weekly



Week 7

Friday 18th October 2024

This week, we are sharing the results of our recent smartphone survey, which can be viewed at the end of this newsletter. Thank you for taking the time to participate and for providing your valuable feedback and comments.

One resource that was highlighted is a useful guide from EE on how to safely set up your child's phone. You can access it here:

[EE Guide for Setting Up Your Child's Phone.](#)

As a school, we understand that some children may need a phone for safety when walking home. In these cases, we encourage the use of simple "brick" phones. If you are considering buying a smartphone as a Christmas gift, we have put together some alternative options for you to explore as well as further details about Smartphone Free Childhood—please see the details later in the newsletter

Additionally, we are exploring the possibility of forming a parent group to discuss the survey results and develop suggestions, including the creation of our own parent pact. More details will be shared in future newsletters, so please stay tuned.

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.wclacademy.co.uk/calendar>

Week Beginning 21st October	Mon 21 st – Fri 25 th	Climate Week
	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	EYFS (Cygnet & Reception) Spooky Disco (2pm during normal day – see email for details)
	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
	Thursday 31 st	Deadline for Secondary School Applications for September 2025
Week Beginning 4th November	Monday 4 th	INSET Day
	Tuesday 5 th	School reopens to pupils
	Tuesday 5 th	Smart Uniform Click & Collect (3-3:30pm)
	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 11th 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 18th 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	World Children's Day
	Thursday 21 st	Y1 Arctic Workshop
Week Beginning 25th November	Tuesday 26 th	Sports Hall Athletics (Details TBC)
Week Beginning 2nd December	Tuesday 3 rd	International Day of People with Disabilities
	Tuesday 3 rd	Smart Uniform Click & Collect (3-3:30pm)
	Friday 6 th	Choir Performing for Wistaston Community (7pm)
Week Beginning 9th December	Monday 9 th	EYFS Nativity (2pm)
	Tuesday 10 th	EYFS Nativity (9:30am)
	Tuesday 10 th	Year 2 Christmas Songs for U3A at Wistaston Memorial Hall (11:15am)
	Thursday 12 th	Christmas Dinner
	Thursday 12 th	Christmas Jumper Day
	Thursday 12 th	Elf Run in aid of St Luke's Hospice
Week Beginning 16th December	Monday 16 th	Cygnet Local Area Visit to St Mary's Church
	Tuesday 17 th	KS1 Carol Service (5pm)
	Wednesday 18 th	Cygnet Christmas Crafts with Parents
	Thursday 19 th	Staff Pantomime
Week Beginning 23rd December	Mon 23 rd – Fri 27 th	Christmas Holidays

Week Commencing 21st October will be WEEK 2 for lunches



Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Yellow Option	Cottage Pie	All Day Breakfast	Mediterranean Chicken Wrap	Beef Burger in a Bun	Spanish Chicken Pasta
Pink Option	Vegetable Chow Mein	Vegetarian Hot Dog	BBQ Bean and Cheese Wrap	Pizza	Potato and Cauliflower Curry & Rice
Accompaniments	Sweetcorn	Hash Brown & Baked Beans	Rice & Peas	Chips & Baked Beans	Sweetcorn
Green Option	Cheese Sandwich	Tuna Sandwich	Ham Sandwich	Cheese Sandwich	Tuna Sandwich
Blue Option	Jacket Potato with either Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Jacket Potato with either Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Jacket Potato with either Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Jacket Potato with either Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Jacket Potato with either Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo
Dessert	Lemon Drizzle Cake	Summer Berry Whip	Marble Sponge	Fruit & Jelly	Chocolate Muffin

5 A DAY - 1 OF YOUR 5 A DAY
HEALTHY OPTION

What's New!

Harvest Collection

A big thank you to everyone who donated items for our collection in aid of Chance Changing Lives. Your support is much appreciated and will make a difference to those struggling in the local community.

Year 5/6 Crewe Alexandra Kids Cup

A big shout out to the children who represented 'Team Church Lane' at Tuesday's Kids Cup. For most of them, it was their first experience representing the school. After drawing 2 and losing 4, the improvement and team spirit shown was impeccable. Well done team! We look forward to the Tuesday practice sessions, future tournaments, and leagues.

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

Parents Evenings & Swan Stars

Parents evenings for KS2 (except for Y5 Atlanta) will take place in the KS1 Hall on 23rd and 24th October.

Appointments are now live under Guardian *Consultations* on Arbor. Ten minute slots will be available from 15:40 on each day. We kindly ask that you tick the relevant boxes to indicate who will be attending. Bookings will close on Monday 21st October.

KS2 Swan Stars will remain in the KS2 hall as usual and EYFS/KS1 Swan stars will be held in the Nursery building on 23rd and 24th October as per this week.

KS2 Snack

If you have children in years 3, 4, 5 & 6 and would like them to have snack next half term (Autumn 2), please confirm consent and make payment via the *Trips* section on Arbor. Snack is charged at £5 per child for each half term.

Payments

As half term is approaching, please ensure that all payments for meals, snack, trips and Swan Stars are up to date. Thank you.

Forest School

To further boost our resources for Forest School, donations of any of the following would be much appreciated:

Old pots and pans

Old ladles and spatulas

Wood- Pallets or logs

Wellies

Waterproofs

Seeds/Bulbs

Compost

Gardening tools

Infection Control

There has been a recent case of head lice in KS2. Please see the link below for details of symptoms to watch out for and appropriate treatment:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

Should I keep my child off school?



Yes

Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



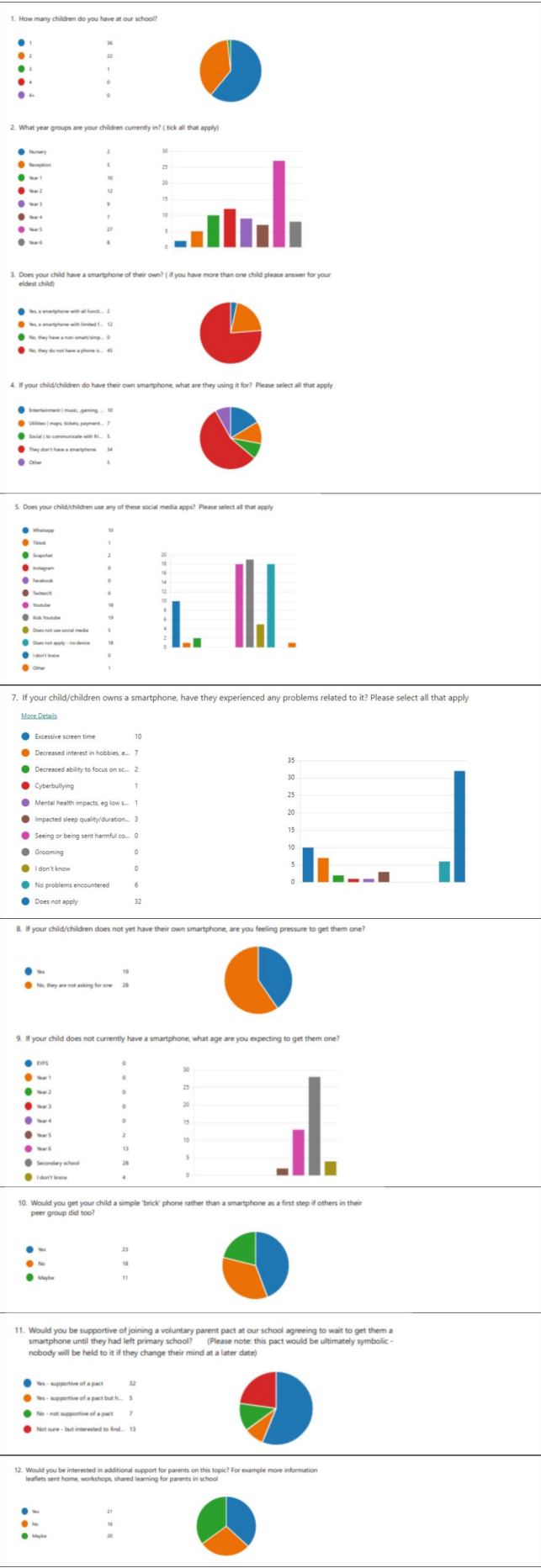
SCAN ME

Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minftec>.

Smartphone Free Childhood Survey

Please see below the results of our recent survey.



Looking for a 'Brick' Phone?

	<p><u>Nokia 2660 Flip £50-60</u> ↗</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Texts and phone calls• Very long lasting battery• Range of colours• Bright, colourful display (non pixelated text)• Built in radio and torch• Snake (and Tetris but you need to pay for the full game)• Camera only usable for emergencies.
	<p><u>The Light Phone II £235</u> ↗</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A premium, minimal phone designed to be used as little as possible• Black and white 'paper' screen like a kindle, which emits no blue light• A customisable menu which includes like: an alarm, calculator, calendar, directions• Music player• Podcasts• No internet, social media, email or internet• Currently only compatible in the UK with Vodafone, Giff Gaff and Three
	<p><u>Doro 708x £154.99</u> ↗</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Calls only the three contacts you rely on the most with A, B and C speed-dial buttons.• Can receive text messages but can't send them• Shows the phone's location to assigned contacts.



Nokia 105 £19.99 ↗

Sim-free mobile phone

- Talk, text and wireless FM radio
- Amazing battery life
- Torch and snake game



Smartphone Free Childhood is a grassroots movement of parents who believe childhood's too short to be spent on a smartphone

We're on a mission to

- 01.** Bring parents together to start new and positive conversations about the problems of smartphones and social media in childhood
- 02.** Empower parents to wait to get their kids a smartphone until at least the end of Year 9, through signing up to the Parent Pact in their region
- 03.** Demonstrate that parents are demanding change at scale, and therefore force the government and tech companies to act

Why we're doing this now

We've been put in an impossible position by the tech companies. It's a lose lose - either allow our children access to something all the evidence tells us is damaging, or say no and risk alienating them among their peers at a crucial stage of their social development. **We believe something needs to change, and it starts with all of us.**



Scan to sign the Parent Pact
#smartphonefreechildhood

How you can get involved

- Sign the Parent Pact** - Join the growing movement of parents choosing to delay - It takes 30 seconds parentpact.smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk
- Join your WhatsApp community** - Find solidarity, support and inspiration - we have one in every county in Britain whatsapp.smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk
- Help build the movement** - Volunteer to be a Regional Leader and start making change in your community regionalleaders@nup.smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk
- Sign up to our newsletter** - Get the latest news and campaign updates from SFC HQ smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk/newsletter
- Follow us on Instagram/LinkedIn** [@smartphonefreechildhood](https://www.instagram.com/smartphonefreechildhood) smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk

After School Clubs – Autumn 2

All teacher run after school and lunchtime clubs are now live under *Clubs* on Arbor. **All teacher run after school clubs will run weekly (term-time only) from the week beginning 5th November to the week ending 13th December.** All after school clubs will end at 4.15pm and children should be collected from the Junior Playground.

As places are limited for many of the clubs, we kindly ask that you notify the school office if your child no longer requires their place so that it can be offered to others.

Please see below for details of clubs that will be run by Sports Coaching Group next half term. These have to be booked directly through SCG at [Wistaston Church Lane Primary School - Autumn Term 2 \(Tue 5th Nov 2024 - Thu 19th Dec 2024\) | Sports Coaching Group | Powered by ClassForKids.](#)

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

SPORTS COACHING GROUP
ENJOY
IMPROVE
ACHIEVE



Multi-Sports Tuesday Reception - Yr 6 05.11.24 - 17.12.24 3:15 - 4:15 £35 (7 weeks)	Dodgeball Wednesday Reception - Yr 6 06.11.24 - 18.12.24 3:15 - 4:15 £35 (7 weeks)	Football Thursday Reception - Yr 6 07.11.24 - 19.12.24 3:15 - 4:15 £35 (7 weeks)
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Asthma & Inhalers

If your child has been diagnosed with asthma or sometimes needs an inhaler and you have not done so already since September, 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:



**Apply online
for a school place**
It's quick and easy

If you are a parent resident in Cheshire East, with a child born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021, your child will be due to start primary school in September 2025.

If you do not have web access
call 0300 123 5012

You can apply from
1st September 2024 at
[www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/
schooladmissions](http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schooladmissions)

Applications should be submitted by

31st October 2024 for secondary

15th January 2025 for primary

Late applications may be disadvantaged

**Cheshire East
Council**

Secondary School Open Days

Please see below details of upcoming secondary school open days:

- Ruskin Community High School – Friday 25th October 9:15-11am




OPEN EVENING
Monday 23rd September • 4-7pm
 With Headteacher Talks at
 4:45pm, 5:30pm and 6:15pm

OPEN MORNINGS
9.15 - 11am on:
Friday 27th September
Friday 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th October

Our events are packed with in-class demonstrations, displays and activities

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 3 Delamere Residential – Deposit OVERDUE

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

Year 4 Chester Deva Museum – Payment due by 13/12/24