

Wistaston Weekly



Week 9

Friday 8th November 2024

This week, our school community has been reflecting on the importance of remembrance through our special Remembrance Week. Using the story of *The Christmas Truce*, we learned about the spirit of peace and kindness shared by soldiers during World War I, even in the midst of conflict.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Poppy Appeal; your generosity has helped us honour and support those affected by war. We will be marking Remembrance on Monday, 11th November, with a special assembly to remember those who served and sacrificed.

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 11th November	Mon 11 th – Fri 15 th	Anti-Bullying Week
	Monday 11 th	Year 6 swimming starts
	Monday 11 th	Crewe & Nantwich Junior Schools' Football Association Autumn Term Football match vs Shavington Primary School (15:20-16:30) – By invitation only
	Tuesday 12 th	Odd Socks Day
	Wednesday 13 th	Y2 Helsinki Nantwich Museum
	Wednesday 13 th	Sports Hall Athletics Afterschool Practice (15:20-16:30) – By invitation only
	Thursday 14 th	Y2 Amsterdam Nantwich Museum
	Friday 15 th	Year 3 Sea Life Centre Manchester
	Saturday 16 th	Cancer Research UK Christmas Fair at Wistaston Memorial Hall (10:00-15:00)
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
	Wednesday 20 th	Sports Hall Athletics Afterschool Practice (15:20-16:30) – By invitation only
	Thursday 21 st	Y1 Arctic Workshop
Week Beginning 25th November	Monday 25 th	Year 3 Local Area Visit to St Mary's Church (10:00-12:00)
	Thursday 28 th	Sports Hall Athletics Heat at Shavington Academy (2:30-5:50pm) – By invitation only
Week Beginning 2nd December	Monday 2 nd	Reception Local Area Visit to St Mary's Church
	Tuesday 3 rd	International Day of People with Disabilities
	Tuesday 3 rd	Smart Uniform Click & Collect (3-3:30pm)
	Thursday 5 th	Cygnets Local Area Visit to St Mary's Church
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	Tuesday 17 th	KS1 Carol Service (5pm)
	Wednesday 18 th	Cygnets Christmas Crafts with Parents
	Thursday 19 th	Staff Pantomime
Week Beginning 23rd December	Mon 23 rd – Fri 27 th	Christmas Holidays
Week Beginning 30th December	Mon 30 th – Fri 3 rd	Christmas Holidays
Week Beginning 6th January	Monday 6 th	INSET Day
	Tuesday 7 th	School reopens after the holidays
	Tuesday 7 th	Smart Uniform Click & Collect (3-3:30pm)
	Tuesday 7 th	Year 3 Delamere Information Evening (3:30pm)

Week Commencing 11th November will be WEEK 2 for lunches

Please note that from Tuesday 5th November, school dinners will be charged at £2.58 per day due to an increase from Mellors. This will affect Cygnets and KS2. Reception and KS1 dinners continue to be funded

NUTRITIONIST APPROVED

5 A DAY

WEEK 2	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	TREAT FRIDAY
MAIN DISH	Cheese & vegetable quesadilla with wedges	BBQ chicken wrap with savoury rice	Traditional cottage pie	Beefburger on a bun with chips	Chicken and bacon pasta with garlic bread
MAIN DISH 2	Vegetable stir fry with chicken style pieces and noodles	Vegetable pasta bake	Potato & cauliflower curry with 50/50 rice	Falafel in a pitta with slaw	Macaroni cheese with garlic bread
ACCOMPANIMENTS	Seasonal vegetables & Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables & Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables & Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables & Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables & Salad bar
JACKET POTATO/ SANDWICHES	Jacket potato with cheese or beans Or Cheese bap	Jacket potato with cheese or coleslaw Or Tuna wrap	Jacket potato with tuna or beans Or Turkey pitta	Jacket potato with coleslaw or beans Or Cheese Bap	Jacket potato with cheese or beans Or Ham salad wrap
DESSERTS	Shortbread	Flapjack	Apple crumble & custard	Chocolate sponge & custard	Chopped mixed fruit with butterscotch whip
FRESH FRUIT & YOGHURT	Freshly cut fruit or yoghurt	Freshly cut fruit or yoghurt	Freshly cut fruit or yoghurt	Freshly cut fruit or yoghurt	Freshly cut fruit or yoghurt

Mellors MENU

Fuel your afternoon with a healthy school lunch from Mellors

5 A DAY - 1 OF YOUR 5 A DAY

HEALTHY OPTION

What's New!

Anti-Bullying Week & Odd Socks Day

Next week is Anti-Bullying Week and the theme is '*Choose Respect*'. We will be discussing what respect is and how we can show it to each other and what to do if we see others not being respectful. We will have assemblies and take part in activities to support '*Choosing Respect*'.

On Tuesday 12th November we are inviting all the children to take part in Odd Socks Day.

What is Odd Socks day?

Odd Socks Day is designed to be fun! It's an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique!



School Photographs

Academy Photography have delivered some school photographs to school today. These will be distributed to children in each class. Please be aware that any late orders we received will follow in the next few weeks.

KS2 Snack

If you have children in years 3, 4, 5 & 6 and 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 per child for each half term. KS2 Snack is now live on Arbor for each half term of this academic year.

Please note that from January 2025, snack will be charged at £5.10 per half term.

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.

[KS2 Swimming](#)

Our pop-up swimming pool has been installed on the school grounds (KS1 playground). The pool will be on site during November, offering students daily swimming lessons aimed at teaching vital water safety skills and improving swimming proficiency. The pool will not affect morning drop off or afternoon pick up. However, we kindly ask that you take extra care when walking around the area.

As the swimming pool is on the playground, playtimes and lunchtime will be slightly different for the next couple of weeks with Years 1 and 2 utilising the KS2 playground for their breaks. At lunchtime, Years 1, 2 and 3 will play on the KS2 playground. Years 4, 5 and 6 will be playing on the school field which though dry may in areas become slightly muddy (If you do not want your child's shoes to get muddy, please provide a spare pair that they can change into for lunch). Please note that at playtimes, KS2 remains unchanged as timings differ to KS1. Early Years (Cygnetts and Reception) will not be affected by the pool.

The primary focus of the swimming lessons will be on our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils. Each child in these year groups has been given a timetable, outlining when they will be swimming and on which days. During the lessons, the children will work towards demonstrating the

ability to swim confidently, competently, and proficiently over a distance of 25 metres, as well as perform safe self-rescue in water-based situations. In the final week, we hope to allocate time for other students to access the pool and benefit from this unique opportunity as well. If this is something we are able to offer, we will be in touch to request consent closer to the time.

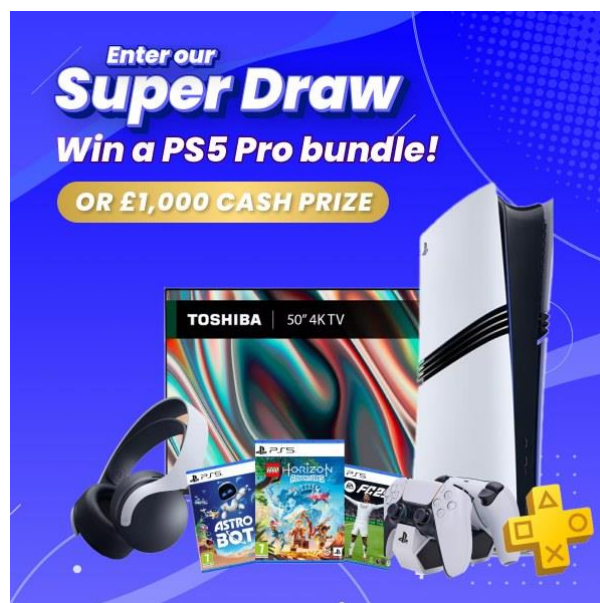
Swimming is part of the national curriculum, and the school is pleased to provide this valuable resource for all students. However, we would greatly appreciate voluntary contributions from parents to help cover the costs. If you wish to contribute, you can do so through Arbor when giving consent for your child's participation. Arbor is now open for year 5 and year 6 consent and will close on Monday 4th November so that the timetables can be arranged in advance of lessons commencing.

Please note that to use the pool, children must wear a swim cap. These are now available for purchase from the school at a cost of £3.05 (card payments only). These caps are 100% silicone. Alternatively, pupils are permitted to wear their own swim cap.

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. As at 4th November 2024, our weekly prize amount is sitting as £16.20 - this is subject to change based on the number of tickets sold but will only increase if more people sign up! With only 64 tickets in play at the moment, that's a 1:64 chance of winning this amount each week, plus a bonus chance to win the new super draw prize (see image below). 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



SUPPORT OUR LOTTERY TODAY

£1 per week

Weekly cash prizes

£25,000 jackpot

YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY

How it works...

It's simple—choose 6 numbers between 0-9 and if they match the weekly lottery draw, you win great prizes. One of our players will win a cash prize every week, maybe even the £25k jackpot! Tickets cost just £1 per week and the proceeds are donated to Wistaston Church Lane Academy

Every Saturday at 8pm the numbers are drawn and posted online. Winners are notified by email and winnings paid into the account of your choice.

The easiest way to join our lottery is online by direct debit or debit card.

It's so easy to join and will make a real difference to Wistaston Church Lane Academy

Splitting the £1.00

- 40p goes to our school
- 36p goes to cash prizes
- 20p goes to admin costs
- 4p goes to VAT

The Maths... 100 tickets sold a week means
 = £30 weekly cash prize
 = £2,080 a year for our school

Buy A Ticket

GambleAware 18+

School Applications

Please see below details of the application process for admissions to Reception in September 2025: **Please be aware that primary school applications for current Cygnet pupils close on Wednesday 15th January 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**

Kawasaki Disease Awareness

Cheshire Community Foundation is currently funding a project to raise awareness of Kawasaki Disease. Please see below for more details:

THINK Kawasaki Disease!

Kawasaki Disease is the leading cause of acquired heart disease in children in the UK. It's time we changed that...
...Together we will

Kawasaki Disease Symptoms:

- Persistent fever
- Bloodshot eyes
- Swollen glands
- Cracked lips/ 'strawberry' tongue
- Swollen fingers/toes
- Rash

If a child has a **persistent high fever** for 5 days or more, with TWO or more of these symptoms please **THINK Kawasaki Disease**

Kawasaki Disease can be present with **some or all** these symptoms

Kawasaki Disease is **increasingly common** in the UK

Please **EXPECT** to see it, be **READY** to treat it!

EARLY TREATMENT IS KEY
PLEASE DON'T DELAY! Children diagnosed and treated in **less than 5 days** from onset of fever have a **much reduced risk** of life long heart damage

BABIES UNDER 1 YEAR can show **fewest symptoms** but have the **highest risk** of serious heart damage

Kawasaki Disease is mostly a childhood illness and there's no known cause. It's the **leading cause of acquired heart disease in UK children**. It's **often mistaken** for other common childhood illnesses, leading to delayed treatment. Children who are untreated or who are treated later face a much higher risk of developing serious complications, including life-long heart damage.

Babies under one year are at greatest risk of serious heart damage. **Early diagnosis and treatment is critical.**

Current UK & Ireland Outcomes for Kawasaki Disease

7+ days The current average diagnosis time for Kawasaki Disease is 7.8 days This is too slow!	39% 39% of babies with Kawasaki Disease develop coronary artery aneurysms This is too high!
19% 19% of children overall develop coronary artery aneurysms This is too high!	28% 28% of children overall have some heart damage This is too high!

TOGETHER WE CAN CHANGE THIS!

Data From Tsuboi et al. Kawasaki Disease: a prospective population survey UK & Ireland 2013-15

@SocietiFoundation @societi_uk_kd **societi** We are the UK Foundation for Kawasaki Disease societi.org.uk

After School Clubs – Autumn 2

All teacher run after school clubs are running 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 Sports Coaching Group are running this 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	Dodgeball	Football
Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Reception - Yr 6	Reception - Yr 6	Reception - Yr 6
05.11.24 - 17.12.24	06.11.24 - 18.12.24	07.11.24 - 19.12.24
3:15 - 4:15	3:15 - 4:15	3:15 - 4:15
£35 (7 weeks)	£35 (7 weeks)	£35 (7 weeks)

Cancer Research UK Christmas Fair





Come and see Santa.

It's only £5 for a present from Santa.

Stalls and games will be in the Main Hall. Refreshments will be served in the Cafe in the side room on the right of the hall. In the other side room are our Toy and Book stalls.

Please come and support us.

TOGETHER WE ARE BEATING CANCER

CHRISTMAS FAIR

SAT NOV 16 2024

WISTASTON MEMORIAL HALL
10 am to 3pm

Registered Charity No: 1089464

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 – Payment OVERDUE

KS2 Snack Autumn 2 – Payment now due

Year 4 Whitemoor Lakes – Final Balance OVERDUE

Year 1 Arctic Workshop – Payment OVERDUE

Year 6 Condover Hall – Deposit due by 01/12/24

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

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

Year 6 Condover Hall – Final Balance due by 24/01/25