

What is Going On at Warstones!

5.11.21

Welcome back! I hope you have all had a restful half term and avoided all the rain around the country!

We are set for a very busy half term with the usual build up to Christmas. We await further guidance from the council on what we are allowed to do in schools regarding concerts, so I will keep you informed.



A time for Remembrance.

As November 11th draws nearer, we will be remembering the fallen and injured in conflict with our normal 2 minutes silence in school. We will be selling poppies and other items from the British Legion in school if you wish to donate. Prices are described as donations but please consider them as prices so we ensure we donate, not cost the charity: Zip pulls 50p, Reflective poppies 50p, Wristbands £1.00 and Snap Bands £1.50. Normal poppies are also available with a suggested donation of at least 20p.



It's all smelling of roses in the garden... or is that apples?

Have you seen our fabulous new orchard in front of school? We were kindly donated apple trees, a pear and a walnut tree by **Ashwood Nurseries** and our trusty green fingered staff of Mrs Porter, Mrs Zollino, Mrs Ellam and Mr McGregor, collected them and planted them up over half term. All the apples trees are at the front and include a tree propagated from a tree in Isaac Newton's garden in Lincolnshire!!

What a wonderful crop we should have next year.

But the good news does not stop there!

In the Summer our trusty team entered photos of all the work they and the children have done in the garden and allotments to the



Wolverhampton Homes' 2021 Garden Competition and this week we found out that we won the Gold Award in the School Sunflower Category and also for Best Garden. We shall be receiving our certificates soon so we can really celebrate. What an achievement. Anyone who has tasted the produce grown in our allotments know what a fantastic job everyone is doing. Amazing!



We have had a bicycle taken from our bike shed this week. Any body who has any information about this should let school know please. If your child is bringing a bike to school please do make sure they lock their bikes to one of the posts. Children should also be wearing a helmet if riding a bike or scooter to school.

It is always so upsetting when things go missing. Please can I remind everyone that children should not bring anything into school that is precious or valuable as we can not be held responsible for them and it is heart-breaking for children when their belongings are lost or broken.



Some diary events—please check our new web page for more as we plan them!

3.11.21	Netball practise (weekly)	19.11.21	Children In Need Day Digital Online Safety Group Meeting
4.11.21	Foot ball match v The Royal (away)	23.11.21	Joint Staff and Parents meeting Online Safety
8.11.21	Red and White clothes to celebrate 'England Rocks' on TT Rockstars. Year 3 Stone Age Day Football Practise (weekly)	26.11.21	Flu Vaccinations YR-6 (More info to follow)
10.11.21	Y5 Visit to Space Centre	10.12. 21	Christmas Jumper Day (Save the Children)
11.11.21	Grand Theatre Workshop Y5 and Y6	13.12.21	Rocksteady Concert
17.11.21	Y2 Kingswood Residential (Wed-Fri) Full Governors	15.12.21	Deaf Base Children attending signed pantomime at The Grand
18.11.21	Academy Photographs	17.12.21	Last day of term (Inset day 4.1.22). Children return Wed 5.1.22)

As soon as we know what we can do at Christmas, we will let you know!

Joint Staff and Parent Online Safety Meeting 3.30pm Tuesday 23rd November

led by Patrick Flynn from the Centre for Online Behaviour

PLEASE PUT THIS DATE IN YOUR DIARY! When we have had Patrick in to talk about online safety for your children before, it has been so appreciated by parents who attended and others are then disappointed they have missed it.

We have been surveying the children in KS2 anonymously about online behaviours so it is a chance to find out just what children are doing on line, how they feel about internet safety themselves and so how you can best support them.

Do keep an eye out on our social media pages for our fortnightly '#WakeUpWednesday' online safety posters. Our latest one is giving guidance about the recent rise in children watching the inappropriate 'Squid Games' (Guidance 15). We are seeing children upset in school having watched it on Netflix and others playing 'games' in the playground based on this. Please do talk to your child about any worries they have and monitor what they are able to see online.

What is coming on Friday 19th November.....

Wear own clothes and add a bandage or a plaster somewhere to show support for Pudsey along with your £1 donation.



Wear red and white if you want to on Monday 8th November to celebrate TT Rockstars 'England Rocks!'
A chance to throw yourselves into practising your times tables!!!!

Uniform Supplies

We have so much good quality used uniform in school—thank you to everyone who sends in clothes when their children outgrow them. It is hard to come in and get any at the moment so if you need any more uniform or would like some spares, please let Mrs Hartshorn know and she will create a pack in the size you need if we have it. **Please name all clothes in school!**

Our staff have the right to be treated with dignity and respect at all times.



They should be able to do their jobs without being physically or verbally abused. Most people respect this and we thank you. We do want to work with you to resolve any concern and ask that you email the school to arrange a meeting so we discuss the issue calmly and to look for a mutual understanding and resolution.

Please do not speak to staff in anger on the phone or at the classroom door/office/gate or send aggressive e mails.

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Have you seen our new webpage? www.warstonesprimary.uk —some pages are still being built but it is looking good!