



Wrockwardine Wood C of E Junior School

'Wrockers' Weekly

'Love, Laugh and Learn'

This Half Terms Value — Compassion

Friday 8th September 2023

Welcome Back!

It has been a fantastic start to the new academic year. All children settled superbly well into their new classes and the initial nervous butterflies soon disappeared. Children looked really smart in their new uniforms and shiny new shoes. When I walked around at 9:10am every single child in the school was engaged in their learning. Teachers and Teaching Assistant's have worked incredibly hard over the Summer to create wonderful stimulating environments for the children. They thoroughly enjoyed catching up with their friends and making new friendships within their class. The class workshop and memorable experiences

this week have been a pleasure to hear about and join in with. I look forward to seeing the children grow and flourish throughout the year.



Dates for your Diary

Mon 11th Sept

Year 5 and 6 parent open door 3:20pm

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Tudor Workshop in school 5B and 5H

Tues 12th Sept

Year 3 and 4 parent open door 3:20pm

Thur 14th Sept

Egyptian workshop in school 5/6S

Tues 26th Sept

Year 3 parent wellbeing session and parent lunch in school. Letter to follow.

Parent Open Door We would like to invite all parents to come into their child's classroom next week and have a look at their learning environment and the work they have produced so far this year. Year 3 and 4 children's classrooms will be open at the end of the day on Tuesday and Year 5 and 6 on Monday. Children will be sent out as normal at home time and then they can come back in with parents to their classroom.

Autumn 1 – Love: Compassion

This half term, we are focusing on the Christian Value of **compassion**.

Compassion is all about putting yourself in someone else's shoes, especially when they are having a hard time. It's about trying to understand how they are feeling and then being pro-active in wanting to help.

Outside of school, children might demonstrate **compassion** in the following ways: spend regular time with a younger sibling/friend to help them achieve one of their goals. Consider those less fortunate in our local community (e.g. the homeless) and take action to help in some way. Lend a helping hand at home by taking on responsibility for a daily household chore. If you know someone who is unwell, consider how you can help them and make arrangements to do so.

If you feel your child has demonstrated **compassion** and made a real difference to the life of someone else over the course of this half term, please complete [this form](#) and return it to their class teacher. If approved, your child will be awarded the **compassion** sticker for their Values Passport.





PE Kit Days Autumn Term (first half)

Please could your child come to school wearing their school PE kit (plain white T-shirt, school jumper, plain black or grey shorts or jogging bottoms and trainers) on the following days:

Day	Outdoor PE	Indoor PE
Monday	56S	5B 5H
Tuesday	3B 3LB	4T 4C
Wednesday	5H 5B	3B 3LB
Thursday	4C 4T	6S 6J
Friday	6S 6J	56S

Water Bottles



Please ensure your child brings a water bottle to school with them everyday— especially during hot weather. All the children have access to a drink at lunchtime but they need something to keep in their classroom. Please ensure that the bottle is easily identifiable by your child or it has their name on it. Thank you.

Packed Lunches and snacks

We aim to be a Healthy School and value your support in this ambition. Our Healthy eating policy outlines our preferences for pupil’s snacks and packed lunches:

Mid morning snack

We understand that snacks can be an important part of the diet of young people and can contribute positively towards a balanced diet. As a school, we discourage the consumption of snacks high in fat and sugar at break-time. Therefore, during mid morning break, a small, healthy snack is encouraged. Suitable healthy snacks include:

- A piece of fruit
- Vegetable sticks
- A packet of breadsticks
- Small cheese portion
- Rice cakes
- Crackers



Packed Lunches

Our school packed lunches, prepared on site, adhere to the National Nutritional Standards for Healthy School Lunches. We encourage parents and carers to provide their children with packed lunches that complement these standards. Healthy packed lunch options can include:

- Wholemeal pitta
- Vegetable sticks
- Houmous
- Tuna / ham / cheese wrap
- Plain popcorn
- Plain rice cakes



Ideas on healthy packed lunch options can be found here: <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes>

Attendance

All of the children have made a great start to this academic year. They have all arrived in school on time and been settled and ready to learn in the classrooms for the start of the school day. It is vitally important that your child arrives to school on time and attends every day so that they don’t miss any vital education.

If your child is unwell please ensure you call school before the start of the day and leave a message.

If you are having difficulty getting your child in to school, please contact our pastoral team who can offer a wealth of support and advice.

Attendance Matters



Every Day Counts....

Times Tables Rockstars!

All children have been set up with their with their Times Table Rockstar accounts and will be having times tables competitions with other classes. This will lead into half termly rewards for children who are logging into their accounts and practising regularly, most improved, making good progress and those also getting high scores. Your child will have a login so that they can log in and practise their times tables at home. We would appreciate your support in encouraging your child to practise regularly. Thank you for you continued support. Mrs Leck



Malinsgate Police Station to open its doors to the public

We're opening the doors to Malinsgate Police Station in Telford to the public next month for a unique look behind the scenes of West Mercia Police.

The public are invited to come along on Sunday 10 September, between 12pm and 4pm, to meet their local policing teams, as well as explore the station's custody suite. People will get the chance investigate a crime scene, meet our police dogs, speak to their local officers and even find out how they could join West Mercia Police. The event is open to all ages, and entertainment for children will also be provided. Inspector Richard Jones, said: "This is a fantastic opportunity for the public to come along and meet some of their local officers and share any concerns or thoughts they may have with us.



"The day will offer members of the public a unique look at what a working police station looks like, as well being able to sit in a police car and visit custody. "There will also be lots of entertainment in place for children, including a guest appearance by our force's mascot PC Peeler. "The event is completely free, and I would encourage anyone interested in policing, or anyone who wants to experience first hand what our job looks like, to come along on the day."

School Uniform

It has been so lovely to see all of the children in their new uniforms looking so smart. Can I please remind parents that children should wear a PE kit on their PE day (black shorts or joggers and a white T Shirt with trainers) trainers should not be worn on any other day. We have a stock of preloved uniform which can be accessed through the school office free.

Please ensure that all items of clothing are named. Invariably, children remove jumpers and cardigans when they are out playing and if items are named, they can be returned to their owners easily.

The colours of our uniform are blue, grey/black and white. All children need to wear school uniform which consists of:

Blue sweatshirt/cardigan – embroidered with our school logo. White shirt/blouse or polo shirt. Grey or black skirt/pinafore/ trousers/shorts

- Blue and white checked dress – summer term . Autumn Term 1 only please
- Black school shoes – NO trainers or high heels please!
- Black / Grey / White socks and tights
- Warm coat for outdoor play in the winter and a hat to protect them from the sun in the summer.

P.E. KIT

- Plain coloured shorts black or dark blue
- White t-shirt – plain or printed with our school logo
- Trainers
- Black / Navy plain tracksuit (optional)

Sweatshirts, cardigans and PE T-shirts with the school logo are available from the school office. Please order via Parentpay.



School Dinners

The price of school dinners has risen by 5p. The price of a school dinner now costs £2.50 per day. We are a cashless school so dinners need to be paid for in advance on Parentpay. Please also ensure that you top up your child's account regularly and not incur a debt.

This does not apply to families who are in receipt of free school meals. All children make a meal choice in the classrooms every morning of either a hot dinner or a school sandwich or bring a lunch from home.



Club Bookings and Wraparound Care

A reminder that activity club bookings are now available through Parent Pay. Activity Clubs do not start until Week Commencing 11th September. These clubs are very popular and get full very quickly. Each club (apart from Warhammer) finishes at **4pm**.

Our wrap around care can be booked via our booking form and all the details can be found on our website under Parents' Info, Wraparound Care

<https://www.wrockwardinewoodjunior.org.uk/parents-info/wrap-around-care>

RAAC

You may have seen on the news the concerns over Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) in some schools across the country. We would like to confirm again that Wrockwardine Wood CE Junior School is in no way affected by this.

Year 6 World War 1 Workshop



We had a great time during our World War 1 memorable experience workshop, led by the Freshwater Theatre Company. We experienced a whistlestop tour through World War 1 involving drama, singing and examining sources.

We learnt about life on the home front, trench warfare and the Christmas truce, in a fun and informative way!



TELFORD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

WOLVES FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT

Monday evenings:
Outfield & Goalkeeper sessions

Where: Holy Trinity Academy,
Teece Drive, Priorslee,
TF2 9SQ

Who: Mixed (boys & girls)
Reception* to Year 7

Times: 6.00-7.00pm (R-Y7)
*GK from Y2-Y7

Wednesday evenings:
Outfield only sessions

Where: Telford College,
Haybridge Road,
Telford, TF1 2NP

Who: Mixed (boys & girls)
Reception to Year 6

Times: 6.00-7.00pm (R-Y3)
7.00-8.00pm (Y4-Y6)

To book, visit coaching.wolves.co.uk or email footballdevelopment@wolves.co.uk for more information.