



Wrockwardine Wood C of E Junior School

'Wrockers' Weekly

'Love, Laugh and Learn'

This Half Terms Value — Thankfulness

Friday 23rd February 2024

Lawndale Visit

Our fantastic Spiritual Ambassadors had a wonderful time on Wednesday morning, when they visited Lawndale Age UK to spread some joy and compassion (2 of our school values) into our community. The residents loved doing some mindfulness colouring, having a chat with the children and completing some super wordsearches created by our Compassion Club. Our children were complimented on their maturity, good manners and companionship, they were a real credit to the school and to their parents.

Thank you. A wonderful morning was had by all!



Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 27th February

5B and 5H Granville Country Park Trip

Wednesday 28th February

56S Exotic Zoo Trip

Thursday 7th March

Year 5 Experience Easter at Holy Trinity Church

Tuesday 12th March

Class group photos

Year 4 Residential Standon Bowers

13th,14th, 15th March

Friday 22nd March

Break Up Easter Holiday

Laugh: Thankfulness

This half term, we are focusing on the Christian Value of **thankfulness**. Thankfulness is the feeling of being happy and grateful for something. Outside of school, children might demonstrate **thankfulness** in the following ways:

- Showing thankfulness by an act of kindness
- Showing gratitude by an act of kindness
- Being a thoughtful listener to someone who needs to talk
- Offering your help to others

If you feel your child has demonstrated **thankfulness** 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, our child will be awarded the **thankfulness** sticker for their Values Passport.



Forest School with Year 3

Year 3 have had a muddy start to Forest School with Mrs Williams! They made their own bug identification dials and then searched for a variety of mini beasts. The children used magnifying glasses to get a closer look at the slower bugs and could identify some of their different parts. Great job Year 3!



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Kwik Cricket Superstars!

Our Key Stage 2 Kwik Cricket team did fantastically in their tournament against other Telford schools on Tuesday. They won most of their matches and were crowned overall winners! Well done for representing our school beautifully and thank you to Mrs Landa and Mrs Turner who were excellent coaches!



Prayer Space Workshop

We were joined by Reverend Lisa and Reverend Debbie on Thursday morning, for a special finance-themed prayer space workshop. All classes read The Parable of the Talents and learnt the importance of spending, saving and giving wisely.



Attendance

Attendance for the last week before half term break remained unchanged at 94.3%. Not bad at all considering the winter vomiting bug is circulating! A gentle reminder, our policy for sickness and diarrhoea is to stay off school for 48 hours after the last bout of symptoms. To help stop the spread wash your hands frequently with soap and water (I think we are all used to this now). Alcohol hand gel does not kill the winter vomiting virus.

Attendance League: 5B are in the lead in upper school with 96.40%. 3B have overtaken reigning leaders 3LB in lower school with a fabulous 98.15%.



Polite Reminders

A couple of polite reminders please:

- To ensure the safety of all of our children cars cannot access our car park between 8:30 and 9:00
- Water bottles should only contain water
- Trainers should only be worn on PE days with a full PE kit.

Thank you for your continued support

The Wrockwardine Wood CE Junior School **“Living life in all its fullness” challenge.**

This week’s challenge is to:
listen to a Beatles song
We would love to see your photos please email them to: a3129@telford.gov.uk or DoJo to your class teacher.



Active Families!

Here is an idea of a quick, active and fun activity you could carry out with your family this weekend!

We hope you enjoy it.

Alphabet Scavenger Hunt



What you need: One or more players, a piece of paper, a pen and a stopwatch / clock.

How to play:

- Find an object beginning with the letter A, bring it back to your start point and write the word of the item on your sheet.
- Continue for the entire alphabet.
- Playing against someone else? Who can complete the alphabet in the quickest time?

How quickly can you find the alphabet?



Keeping children safe parent workshop Telford and Wrekin

With more access than ever before to phones and other technology, it can be difficult to understand how to keep your child safe in an increasingly digital world.

The workshop is fully funded and will cover:

- * What online harm is and online gang recruitment.
- * Ways you can effectively help and support your children
- * Understand why and how children can become victims
- * How your response can support your child
- * An award-winning approach to support young people at risk of exploitation



Delivery by lived experienced professionals

To access the workshop (delivered via Teams – Teams app not necessary for participation), please click on the link below just before the training begins.

Tuesday 12 March 2024 5.30 - 6.30pm

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Attendance:

This week our attendance feedback focus is punctuality.

We are aware like most schools in the local authority the parking and traffic outside of school is an issue. As a school we do not have specific parent drop facilities. We have tried to contact local business to request permission to use their car parks but unfortunately for insurance reasons this has not been possible. Telford and Wrekin offer the following advice to parents who find congestion outside of the school gates to be a barrier to good punctuality. School pupils in Telford and Wrekin are encouraged to travel to school in active ways such as walking and cycling. Safety and school gate congestion are major concerns for parents, school staff and local residents.

Almost 39% of pupils in Telford and Wrekin travel to school by car. This represents around 20,000 car journeys each day (over 3 million car journeys each school year). No wonder there is congestion outside so many of our schools!

For many pupils, travelling to school by car is simply a habit. Like any habit it will be hard to break. In fact we have already learned that it takes time to bring about any changes in travel habits but by working in partnership with schools and parents we are more likely to be successful.

Telford and Wrekin aims to encourage active and safe ways of travelling to our schools. A number of our schools are already involved in road safety and active travel initiatives. If you are a parent/guardian, member of school staff, local resident or anyone wanting to see a shift in travel to school behaviour please get in touch with Introduction - Travelling to school - Telford & Wrekin Council.

Every minute counts

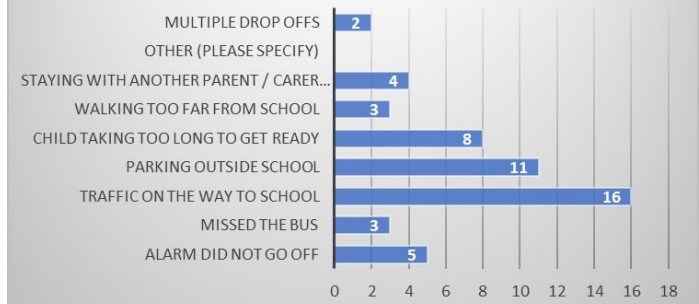


Lateness = lost learning

(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

5 minutes late each day	3 days lost!
10 minutes late each day	6.5 days lost!
15 minutes late each day	10 days lost!
20 minutes late each day	13 days lost!
30 minutes late each day	19 days lost!

3. What can cause your child to be late?



In addition to this did you know we also offer wrap around care? Wrap Around Care at Wrockwardine Wood Church of England Junior School (wrockwardinewoodjunior.org.uk)

Our breakfast club runs from 7:30am to 8:45am at a cost £2.50 per session. Pupils should arrive between 7:30am and 8:15am - please do not arrive before 7:30am as children will not be admitted until this time. Any child who arrives before 8:00am will be offered breakfast. Breakfast will consist of a drink of squash and either cereal or toast. Children DO NOT need to be pre-booked into breakfast club.

E Safety Support

At the British Council, we take child protection very seriously. Many parents have commented to us that they are worried about their children and social media. So we have prepared these

5 GOLDEN RULES

designed to help keep your children safe online while they enjoy social media. We hope you find them useful.

1. Show me



Ask your child to show you the sites they use

Show an interest, take note of the sites your children visit and re-visit them later when you are alone. Find out how to set the safety features and how to report any issues directly to the site.

46% of parents admit that their children know more about the internet and social media than they do.

2. Low profile

Ask your child to set profile settings to private

Since children use social media sites to share just about everything they do, setting their profile to private can help protect them against photos, personal information or even location in the real world ending up in the wrong hands.



80% of 12-15 year olds in the UK have an active social networking site profile.

3. Just ask



Ask your child about their online friends

Help your children understand that people can create fake identities online and lie about who they are. They should only give out personal information and be "friends" with people they know and trust in the real world.

35% of children have unsupervised access to the internet.

4. Photo check

Ask your child to only share photos that they wouldn't mind showing you first!

Talk to your child about the images they send, the sites and apps they use to share them and who they are sending them to.



Children aged **12-15** are spending more time online.

5. Don't worry



Ask your child to tell you if they are worried about something online

By talking to your child about the internet, their favourite sites and the risks they may encounter, they are more likely to turn to you if they get into situations online where they don't feel comfortable or see something they don't want to see.

Children aged **8-11** are more likely than they were in 2011 to watch and download user-generated content*.

You can find further internet safety tips on the British Council's LearnEnglish Kids site: <http://learnenglishkids.britishcouncil.org/en/parents/articles/using-the-internet-and-computer-safely>

This infographic has been put together with the kind participation of the UK's Child Exploitation and Online Protection Centre. If you have more questions and would like further advice, please visit their Thinkuknow website at www.thinkyouknow.co.uk/parents.

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