

Wrockwardine Wood C of E Junior School

'Wrockers' Weekly

This Half Terms Value — Compassion

Friday 6th September 2024

Welcome Back!

It has been an absolute pleasure to be in school this week. The children have all come back excited and ready to learn. It is amazing how much they have grown over the summer, not only in height but also in maturity. Staff have worked hard over the summer to make the children's classrooms exciting and vibrant, creating stimulating leaning environments. I am looking forward to sharing all of the children's achievements over the year, the wonderful work they will be producing and the exciting trips and activities they will be participating in.



















Dates for your Diary

Monday 9th Sept

Parent Open Door Years 5 and 6 after school

Tuesday 10th Sept

Parent Open Door Years 3 and 4 after school

Thurs 26th Sept

Year 3 Shrewsbury Museum trip—see ParentPay

Thurs 26th Sept

Wraparound Care coffee hour 4:30pm-5:30pm. See letter

Fri 27th Sept

Macmillan Coffee see letter to be sent shortly

Thurs 3rd Oct

Year 6 WW1 workshop in school. See ParentPay for details



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 <u>this form</u> 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:

Class	Outside	Inside
3LB	Wednesday	Monday
3B	Wednesday	Monday
4T	Tuesday	Thursday
4C	Tuesday	Thursday
5H	Thursday	Tuesday
5B	Thursday	Tuesday
6KS	Monday	Friday
6S	Monday	Wednesday
6P	Friday	Wednesday

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 breaktime. 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:

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

Wholemeal pitta

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 at school on time and attends every day to help build their academic and social and emotional confidence.

Please can we remind you that if your child is absent from school we require you to contact the school office each day of their absence before 9am. You can report absence by calling 01952 387880 or emailing a3129@telford.gov.uk

We want your child to be happy and safe in school at all times, if you do start to see any patterns of not wanting to come to school emerging please contact your child's class teacher via class dojo or our pastoral manager Claire Ashley on claire.ashley2@taw.org.uk.

We have an in school attendance League where our attendance ambassadors celebrate both lower school and upper school whole class attendance each week on a Friday – be warned this can be quite competitive.

This week our whole school attendance is 98%

Lower school leaders are 4C with 100%

Upper school leaders are 6C with





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 practice their times tables at



home. We would appreciate your support in encouraging your child to practice regularly. Thank you for you continued support.

School Uniform

It has been so lovely to se 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 or plain. 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.

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- Plain coloured shorts black or dark blue
- White t-shirt plain or printed with our school logo

The Wrockwardine Wood CE Junior School "Living life in all its fullness" challenge.

This week's challenge is

Write a poem about school



We would love to see your photos please email them to: a3129@telford.gov.uk or DoJo to your class teacher.



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 class-

room. Please ensure that the bottle is easily identifiable by your child or it has their name on it. As part of our healthy eating policy water bottles should only contain wa-

ter and not squash, pop or juice, thank you.



School Dinners

Our school dinners are freshly cooked on site by Telford & Wrekin Catering services. Each day a hot and cold option is available at a cost of £2.60 per meal. The children select their meal in the classroom during registration. If they would like the school cold option, they can choose from a sandwich or a wrap. The current hot meal selection menu can be accessed here:

https://www.wrockwardinewoodjunior.org.uk/parents-info/school-meals

School meals are FREE to those children eligible for free school meals. To check if your child is eligible for free school meals please click here. This could save you at least £490 in a school year and your child would have a meal provided every day. Please call in at the school office if you think you are eligible and we can help you apply online if you wish.

After School Enrichment Club Bookings and Wraparound Care

All bookings and payments for the above must be made via ParentPay. If you have booked an after school enrichment club for your child, please can you ensure they attend the sessions as the numbers are limited and some children may not have secured a place and have been disappointed. Clubs start next week and all clubs will finish week commencing 14th October unless otherwise notified.

Information regarding our Wraparound Care facility can be found on our website:

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





Macmillan Coffee Morning

Our Macmillan coffee morning will be held during the school day on Friday 27th September. A letter will be sent home or emailed to parents with timings on there for parents to come into school and enjoy some tea/coffee and cake with their child/children. Our Wraparound Care ladies will be holding a coffee hour with the wraparound children on Thursday 26th at 4:30pm—letter to follow.

Where's Nala?

Each week we will be hiding a picture of Nala on our newsletter for you and your children to find. Ask your child to put the location of Nala on a note with their name and class and place it in the box by the office. This will then be entered into a weekly draw to win a Freddo. Good luck!



Year 3

Our kitchen staff have commented



on how wonderful the year 3 children in particular have been when using the school meals counter this week. Their manners and actions have been exemplary!

Well done year 3!!

E Safety Support

