



## Welcome to Our Newsletter

### Message from the Headteacher

Happy Friday! We have had a great day today—seeing lots of children and staff dressed in yellow to support of Young Minds. We hope to have raised as much money as last year for this worthy cause, and will get the total to you all next week (once money has been quarantined for a short amount of time).



If you require any wellbeing support for yourself or your child, please take a look at the school's website. We have a section dedicated to health and wellbeing (and new things are due to be added!). If you know of any other useful links of support for wellbeing, please let us know!



Thank you for sending in feedback and compliments, we do love to hear from parents and carers. If you do need to contact us, please use the following e-mail [admin2405@welearn365.com](mailto:admin2405@welearn365.com) or phone the main office on 01788 543332.

Our parent meeting booking system has now gone live. You will have received a text message or an email with details of how to book your appointment with your child's class teacher. As the parent meetings will be virtual you will need to have registered with your child's Team's account. If you have any issues, please contact the school office.

### Food bank

Thank you all for your generous donations for our Harvest collection for the Long Lawford Foodbank.



### Reading Books

If your child had a school reading book before lockdown and have not returned it to school, please can we ask that they be returned as soon as possible. Thank you.



### Parking

Please can you be mindful when you park during drop off and collection. Please do not block driveways and pavements. If you would like to report any issues regarding parking on the roads surrounding schools you are able to by phoning 101 or via the web [here](#). You will need photo evidence to support your issues.

### Social Media



We have had a recent issue with children inappropriately using social media and other chat websites that encourage children to talk to strangers. School staff deliver weekly online safety assemblies to children, but would value your support with regularly checking your child's online activity. If you require any support with this, please get in touch and we will support where we can.

### Online Safety

In our Online Safety assemblies this we have been talking about online reputation. Children talked about whether information which is available online about people is always accurate and what they would want to be shared. We talked about search engines and how they worked. Using search engines such as [www.kiddle.co](http://www.kiddle.co) and [www.swiggle.org.uk](http://www.swiggle.org.uk) can help children access information which is age appropriate. Children should always be supervised when accessing the internet at home.

## Music

After half term we will be offering music lessons to children in KS2. If you would like to register your child, please email the school office or a form can be downloaded from the school app. The lessons we will be offering are violin, cello, guitar, piano and flute. More details can be found on the school app.



## Smoking

When waiting outside of the school gates please can we ask that Parents / carers refrain from smoking.

## School Matters!



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

Attendance for the last 2 week

Nursery	93.8%
Reception	97.0%
Year 1	97.4%
Year 2	96.2%
Year 3	95.9%
Year 4	97.8%
Year 5	98.3%
Year 6	97.6%

Children who do not attend school miss learning and have gaps that can affect their attainment. If they are not with us they cannot learn.

**Red**—well below national expectations

**Amber**—Just below national expectations

**Green**—At or above national expectations

National Targets are 96%

Attendance is looking great, Well done all!

## Snacks for Break Time

Please can we ask that when children bring snacks in for break time that they are healthy. No Sweets, Chocolate or Crisps.



## Nut Free

Please can you also ensure that any items that come into school snacks or in packed lunches are nut free. We have a few children/staff with severe nut allergies.



## Year 6 Secondary School Applications

The deadline for secondary school applications is Saturday 31st October. If you are having any issues with your application, please contact the school office before 4pm on Friday 23rd October and we can try to help you.

## Leave of Absence

The Government issued new regulations in September 2013 regarding Leave of Absence; The Education (Pupil Regulations) (England) Regulations 2006 as amended by Education (Pupil Regulations) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2013

- Head teachers **shall not** grant any Leave of Absence during term time **unless they consider** there are **exceptional** circumstances relating to the application.
- Parents do not have any entitlement to take their children on holiday during term time. Any application for leave must establish that there are **exceptional circumstances** and the Head Teacher must be satisfied that the circumstances warrant the granting of leave.
- Head Teachers will determine how many school days a child may be absent from school if the leave is granted.
- The school can only consider applications for Leave of Absence which are made by the resident parent. i.e the parent with whom the child normally resides.
- Applications for Leave of Absence must be made in advance and failure to do so will result in the absence being recorded as "unauthorised". This may result in legal action against the parent, by way of a Fixed Penalty Notice.
- Applications for Leave of Absence which are made in advance and refused will result in the absence being recorded as "unauthorised". This may result in legal action against the parent, by way of a Fixed Penalty Notice, if the child is absent from school during that period.
- All matters of unauthorised absence relating to a Leave of Absence will be referred to the Warwickshire Attendance Service of Warwickshire County Council.
- The Warwickshire Attendance Service have the authority to consider issuing Fixed Penalty Notices for Leave of Absence in line with the Warwickshire County Council's Non-School Attendance and Penalty Notices Code of Conduct. (A copy of which can be found at <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/pupilnonattendance>).
- If a Fixed Penalty Notice is issued and is not paid within the timeframe set out in that Notice, the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider instigating criminal prosecution proceedings under S444 of Education Act 1996.

**Each application for a Leave of Absence will be considered on a case by case basis and on its own merits.**

### Reception to Year Two Drop off

So that's children have the best start to their day please can we ask that parents / carers bring their children to the class doors, please do not leave them at the gate to walk in on their own.

### Term Dates 2020/2021

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October until Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October - October Half term

Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October—Year 6 Deadline for Secondary School Applications

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December—Flu Nasal Spray (details to be sent out nearer the time)

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> December until Friday 1<sup>st</sup> January – Christmas Holidays

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January— Teacher Training Day (school closed to children)

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January - children return to school (8:40am start)

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February— Teacher Training Day (school closed to children)

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February until Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February - February Half term

Easter Holidays – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April until Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May - May Day (School Closed to children)

Whitsun Half Term – Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May until Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June

Summer Holiday – Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

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Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September– Teacher Training Day (school closed to children)

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September - children return to school (8:40am start)

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October until Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October - October Half term

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> December until Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2022 – Christmas Holidays

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January— Teacher Training Day (school closed to children)

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January - children return to school (8:40am start)

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February until Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February - February Half term

Easter Holidays – Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April until Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May - May Day (School Closed to children)

Whitsun Half Term – Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May until Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Summer Holiday – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

### Information



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