



Wardley CE Primary School

'With God's love we enjoy and excel'

Newsletter

Summer Term Dates

April

23.04.24: St George's Day – members of the uniformed organisations can come to school in their uniform.

26.04.24: Y4 Treat Day.

29.04.24: Zoo Lab in school for EYFS & Y1.

06.05.24: School closed for the May Day-bank holiday.

WB 13.05.24: Mid-Term Test Week & Y6 SATS Week.

23.05.24: Class photos in school.

24.05.24: School closes for the Whit holiday at 3.15pm.

June 03.06.24: School closed – INSET Day.

Tuesday 04.06.24: School starts again after the Whit break.

WB 10.06.24: Y1 Phonics Check and Y4 Multiplication Tables Check

12.06.24: Y6 Anderton Centre residential trip meeting: 4.30pm.

WB 24.06.24: Transition week – during the week the children will meet their new teachers and Y6 will visit their new schools.

July

04 & 05.07.24: Y6 Residential visit to the Anderton Centre.

12.07.24: End of year school reports sent home.

15.07.24: Y5/Y6 sports day from 9am.

15.07.24: Meetings with the new teachers for the 2024/25 Junior lower KS2 (Y3/Y4) classes at 3.20pm.

16.07.24: Y3/Y4 sports day from 9am.

16.07.24: Meetings with the new teachers for the 2024/25 Junior upper KS2 (Y5/Y6) classes at 3.20pm.

17.07.24: Y1/Y2 sports day from 9.15am.

17.07.24: Meetings with the new teachers for the 2024/25 EYFS (NUR/REC) classes at 3.20pm.

18.07.24: EYFS sports day from 9.15am.

17.07.24: Meetings with the new teachers for the 2024/25 Infant KS1 (Y1/Y2) classes at 3.20pm.

22.07.24: Y6 Leavers' show: 5pm.

23.07.24: Y6 Garden party.

24.07.24: School closes for the summer holiday at 3.15pm.

19.04.2024

It has been a lovely start to the summer term with the children enjoying our day of 'giving' on Monday which was part of our NHS '5 Ways of Wellbeing' programme. We have lots of events planned for the term ahead and we will be working hard to ensure that it is as productive and enjoyable for the children as we can make it. One of our key focuses will be on preparing the children for the transition into their next class. We recognise how big this step can be for them, and will be making sure that they are as well-prepared as possible. This week, we also received the OFSTED report from our February inspection; a separate letter has been sent out to you about the findings of the inspector together with the report itself. We were delighted to see the acknowledgement the report gives to the school's many strengths. We were also pleased that the single area for further development within the report was one that we had already identified ourselves and have been working on since the start of the current academic year.

In the classroom this week ... This week, Year 6 were visited by Prevent Protection, a group who focus on the prevention of children getting involved with gangs. The session involved a physical workout, including boxing skills which the children thoroughly enjoyed. They also completed a workshop where they listened to real stories of children, just like themselves, who ended up involved in gangs. The hope is that this form of education will make them more aware of the issues so that if they were to encounter it in the future, they could recognise it and walk away from it. This is the third year that we have had this team in school for what is always a very useful and insightful workshop. It was lovely to hear the positive comments from the group about the behaviour and attitudes of our Year 6 pupils who were, as always, a credit to the school.

Weekly Updates... Election of Parent Governor

I am pleased to inform you of the result from our recent parent governor election. The successful candidate was Danielle Abbott. We would like to thank all those who put their names forward. Details of the actual number of votes cast can be obtained on request from the school office.

Attendance

Good attendance is a crucial part of children reaching their full potential in school. We look to celebrate it each Monday morning with our school attendance mascot, Barney Bear, being awarded to the class with the highest attendance and all the children with a 100% attendance going into our 'spin to win' to see who receives the prize voucher. Today, we also gave out the spring term attendance certificates and badges for those children who have had either 100% attendance or good attendance (over 96%) since the start of the academic year. On Monday we will be giving out certificates to those children who have shown improved attendance over the spring term, and they will also get their names entered into our 'spin to win' prize draw.

St George's Day – 23.04.24

It is St George's Day next Tuesday (23.04.24) and in response to a request from the uniformed organisations we will be allowing the children who are members of one of these groups (such as Brownies, Rainbows, Cubs & Scouts) to come to school in their uniform.

Sporting News

Our school football team played another match this week against St Marks RC Primary School. Although we lost the game with a 3-1 score line, the team played with great spirit and enthusiasm. Once again, well done to everyone who played and represented our school so well. Also, another very big thank you to Mr Houston and Mr D. Foster who are giving up their time to coach the children and attend the matches.

Clubs

We are pleased to be able to have a range of after-school UK Sport clubs running over this half-term.

Tuesday: Multi-sports club for children from Y1/Y2. This club is now full.

Wednesday: Multi-sports club for children from Y3/Y4. This club is now full.

We also have some after-school clubs being run by school staff. These include:

Tuesday: Football club for children from Y5/Y6 run by Mr Houston. This club has spaces.

Wednesday: Netball club for children from Y5/Y6 run by Mr D. Foster. This club is now full.

Although some of the clubs are now full, if you are interested in your child joining one of the clubs then please contact the school office to put their name on a waiting list in-case any spaces do become available.

We are also very pleased to have the Anthem music lessons continuing to run in school over this coming term.

PE Days

On their PE days, the children should come into school wearing their school uniform PE kit. The school PE kit is a plain white tee-shirt or polo shirt with navy blue shorts or track-suit trousers and plain trainers. The children should also come to school wearing their school jumper or cardigan on PE days.

The PE days are as follows: Monday – Y6. Tuesday – Y1. Wednesday - Y2. Thursday – Y3. Friday – Y5 & Reception.

Our Y4 class will continue to be going swimming each Tuesday. The Y4 children will need to come to school in their school uniform and bring their swimming kit in a bag to take to the pool.

Y4 Treat Day

Our Y4 class have filled their marble jar which means that they will be having their treat day next Friday, 26.04.24. A separate letter has been sent out by Miss Millington to the Y4 parents and carers with more details about what the children will be doing on their treat day.

Reminders from the office

- Next week will be **week 3** of the new summer lunch menu, which is now available to view on our website <https://www.wardleyce.co.uk/page/lunches-snacks-and-free-school-meals/130870>

Our Christian values and thoughtful time

Collective Worship Theme – Service

We have started looking at a new Christian value this half-term – service. This week, we thought about the way Moses showed how he thought about the needs of others as we shared the Bible story about The Burning Bush. We will be sending out a sheet with information about how you can support the children in thinking about the value of service at home over the coming weeks. They could record some of their responses to this in their home worship books and bring them into school on Thursday to share in our collective worship.

Easter Celebrations & Cards

We received a lovely message from All Saints Church thanking the children for all the Easter cards that they had made to be distributed in the local community. They were very much appreciated by everyone who received one.