

# Wardley CE Primary School To all things'

# 'With God's love we can do all things' Newsletter

#### June

WB 10.06.24: Y1 Phonics Check.

11.06.24: Y4 Multiplication Tables Check

12.06.24: Y6 Anderton Centre residential trip meeting:

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

#### July

01.07.24: Y4 MAPAS concert at the Lowry – 5.15pm.

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: Parent Meetings with the new teachers for the

2024/25 Lower junior classes (Y3/Y4) and the new Nursery Intake at 3.20pm.

16.07.24: Y3/Y4 sports day from 9am.

16.07.24: Parent Meetings with the new teachers for the

2024/25 Upper junior classes (Y5/Y6) at 3.20pm.

17.07.24: Y1/Y2 sports day from 9.15am.

17.07.24: Parent Meetings with the new teachers for the

2024/25 Infant classes (Y1 & Y2) and the Reception class at

18.07.24: EYFS sports day from 9.15am.

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.

## 07.06.2024

We hope you had a great half-term break! The children have come back to a busy, but exciting, half-term with lots of events planned for the coming weeks. They certainly enjoyed our 'Be Active' Wellbeing Day on Tuesday. It is also at this time that we start to plan ahead for the next academic year. To support the children in preparing for the next stage of their journey through school, we have a series of transition events. These will give children, and their parents & carers, the chance to meet their new teachers, see their new classrooms and find out about what the year ahead holds for them. We will also be sending out our end of year reports on the 12<sup>th</sup> July. Finally, we have our sports day events at the end of the term. Parents and carers are welcome to come and see their children taking part in these events which are all held on the school grounds. Hopefully, we will have some sunny weather by then!

#### In the classroom this week ...

Our Y4 class having been working hard on practising for their multiplication tables check (MTC) this week. They will be taking their actual MTC next Tuesday – 11<sup>th</sup> June, so we hope everyone from Y4 is in school on that day. The Y1 children have also been working very hard in the build up to their phonics check next week. We have been really pleased with how well all the children have been preparing for these checks – well done Y1 and Y4!

Weekly Updates... Sporting News We played our last league game of the season yesterday against Clifton Primary School. The final table is yet to be published. On a great pitch, we played some excellent football, and our teamwork has continued to develop as the season progressed. Without any substitutes, our players gave their all for the full 60 minutes, and we ran out 5-1 winners. A great way to finish the season. Well done to all involved and a special mention to parents for their fabulous support. Mr D. Foster and Mr Houston.

#### **Our New Cycle Shelter**

We are delighted to announce that our new cycle shelter will open for use next week. We were able to build it as a result of the funding that we secured from Transport for Greater Manchester (TFGM). One of the conditions for this funding was that the shelter would facilitate both staff and children travelling to school by bike. It is not to be used for scooters or trikes. We have space for ten bikes to be securely stored in the shelter. To ensure that we do not exceed this capacity we will be introducing a rota for its use. Every junior class will have a week in which they can use the shelter on a rolling programme:

Week beginning 10<sup>th</sup> June – Y6. Week beginning 17<sup>th</sup> June – Y5. Week beginning 24<sup>th</sup> June – Y4. Week beginning 1<sup>st</sup> July – Y3. Week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> July – Y6. Week beginning 15<sup>th</sup> July – Y5. Week beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Y4.

During this period, we will be reviewing the use of the shelter and considering whether we will need to amend the schedule for the future.

Each week, we will give a reminder in the newsletter about whose turn it is next.

The school does not take responsibility for any bike left in the shelter. It is done so at the owner's risk. Any bike left in the shelter should be securely locked to one of the bike rails. The ten bike spaces will be filled on a first come first served basis. When the capacity of the shelter is full (ten bikes), then no more can be stored in it. If a child arrives at school on their bike and there is no room for their bike in the shelter then they will be able to lock them up against the green fence opposite the shelter.

#### **Attendance Certificates**

Good attendance is a crucial part of children reaching their full potential in school. We look to celebrate it each week with our school attendance mascot, Barney Bear, being awarded to the class with the highest attendance. Each term, we also give out attendance certificates to celebrate good attendance. There are 17 children in school who have had 100% attendance from the start of this academic year. This is a fantastic achievement and they will all be given a special 100% attendance certificate and badge. We also have 103 children with attendance over 96% (the school's attendance target) and they will all receive a good attendance certificate and badge. The children with attendance figures below this target will receive letters to explain exactly what their current attendance figure is. This is to ensure that their parents and carers are well informed about their children's attendance.

If your child is at school for only 90 per cent of the school year then they will have missed almost four whole weeks of school. This is a big gap for any child to make up. For any children whose attendance falls under 90%, we ask for medical proof in order to authorise any absence due to illness.

We have seen many children making big improvements in their attendance over the spring and summer terms to date. This can have a really positive impact on the progress that they are making in school. We really appreciate the support of parents and carers in making these improvements to their children's attendance and punctuality.

The school will not authorise any term time holiday requests. Unauthorised absence can lead to the school making a referral to the Local Authority for the consideration of a Penalty Notice. Under section 444 of the Education Act 1996, the Local Authority may issue Penalty Notices to parents of children with unauthorised absences from school. The fines are issued to each parent, for each child, and are: £60 if paid within 21 days rising to £120.00 if paid between 21 and 28 days.

#### Reminders from the office .....

- > It will be week 1 on the dinner menu next week
- Please do not use the school car park to drop off or pick up children from school or any of the clubs
- Please do not walk across the car park use the footpaths
- Year 6 can use the bike shelter this week

### Our Christian values and thoughtful time .....

#### **Collective Worship Theme – Responsibility**

In our collective worship this half-term we are looking at the Christian value of responsibility. This week, we looked at the importance of thinking carefully about what we say and how our words can affect others. The children then thought about what they could say to help make the people around them feel better. We shared some of their wonderful ideas in our thoughtful book worship. We are sending out a sheet with information about how you can support the children in thinking about the value of generosity 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.

#### **Home Worship Books**

We were thrilled again by the number of children who brought their home worship books into school this Thursday, and the thought and effort that they had put into them. This week, Olivia from Y1 was awarded our home worship mascot (Sammy The Bear) to look after for her super work about the values of our Wardley Way. The children are encouraged to bring in their home worship books each Thursday to share during our collective worship.