

# Walpole Cross Keys Primary School

Weekly Newsletter – 3rd October 2025



Hello everyone,

The children from Year 1 & Year 2 had a great time taking part in various games and sporting activities at the Active Kids Festival which was held at Lynnsport on Monday.



**PARKING OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL** – Could you please ensure that you are respectful of the residents and do not park across any driveways as access is required. Please park sensibly.



Please ensure that school lunches are booked (if applicable) via your MCAS account by no later than midnight on a Saturday! The school menu can be located on the website.

We are still seeking members for our PTA. If you are interested, please speak to Mr Overton as soon as possible. Thank you for all your support.

Join the PTA!



Best Wishes

Ms J. Borley  
(Executive Head Teacher)

**\*Please check page 2 for future diary dates.**

## Attendance

Class 1: 100%

Class 2: 100%

Class 3: 95.9%

Congratulations to  
Class 1 and 2!

Whole school: 98.3%



## Weekending—03.10.2025

### Stars:

Ronnie (Class 1), Emilé (Class 2) & Annabelle (Class 3)

### Kindness:

Toby (Class 1), Lucas (Class 2) & Ivy H (Class 3)

### Handwriting:

Tommy-Lee (Class 1), Matthew (Class 2) & Sno-Keanu (Class 3)

### THANK YOU card winners:

Isabella (Class 1), Devon (Class 2) & Ivy O (Class 3)



### Golden Broom: Class 2

### PSHE: Care about other people's feelings:

Frankie, Isabella, Nova, Jessica (Class 1),  
Lucas, Hudson, Brody, Emilé, Millie, Mabel, Gabriel,  
Bella, Isaac O (Class 2)  
Taylor, Ivy, Lilley, Nelly, Florence P (Class 3)

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## Diary Dates

**\*Please be aware that dates are for guidance only and are subject to change\***

Diary dates are also located on the school website. Please note that the West Norfolk Academies Trust school calendar for 2025/26 & 2026/27 can be located from the school's website. School holiday dates are slightly different to NCC.

<b>Monday 6th October 2025</b>	SSP Quicksticks Hockey—Yr 3 & Yr 4 selected. Consent via MCAS account.
<b>Wednesday 8th October 2025</b> 	Year 6 only— Open Evening at St Clements High School
<b>Thursday 9th October 2025</b>	WNAT KS1 Sports Event @ Gaywood Primary School.
<b>Friday 10th October 2025</b> 	Hello Yellow Day. Wear something 'Yellow'- Mental Health Awareness Day.
<b>Thursday 16th October 2025</b>	Year 6 & Year R NCMP/Vision and Hearing Screening (NHS)
<b>Monday 20th October 2025</b>	Year 4—West Stow—Consent/Payment via your MCAS account.
<b>Tuesday 21st October 2025</b>	Class 2—Holkham Hall—Consent/Payment via your MCAS account.
<b>Friday 24th October 2025</b>	School breaks up at the usual time of 3.15pm for Half Term.
<b>Monday 27th October to Friday 31st October 2025</b>	SCHOOL CLOSED
<b>Monday 3rd November 2025</b>	School opens—Prompt registration at 8.45am
<b>Wednesday 5th November 2025</b>	Family Workshop at Clenchwarton Primary School—9.30am—10.30am
<b>Friday 7th November 2025</b> 	Lilacmoon Photography—Whole School—individual photos.
<b>Tuesday 11th November 2025</b>	Yr3 & Yr4 WNAT Remembrance Performance @ Springwood High School
<b>Wednesday 12th November 2025</b>	Family Workshop at Clenchwarton Primary School—9.30am—10.30am
<b>Wednesday 19th November 2025</b>	Family Workshop at Clenchwarton Primary School—9.30am—10.30am
<b>Thursday 20th November 2025</b>	Class 3—Chemistry Kitchen at Springwood High School. More details to follow.
<b>Monday 24th November 2025</b> 	Whole School immunisation programme (Flu).
<b>Wednesday 10th December 2025</b>	Whole School—Panto and King's Lynn Corn Exchange. 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. More details to follow.
<b>Tuesday 16th December 2025</b>	Nativity—Parents invited—9.20am—10.20am. More details to follow
<b>Wednesday 17th December 2025</b>	Nativity—Parents invited—2.15pm—3.15pm. More details to follow.
<b>Friday 19th December 2025</b>	School breaks up at the usual time of 3.15pm for Half Term
<b>Tuesday 6th January 2025</b>	School opens—Prompt registration at 8.45am

# CLUBS

## Clubs Overview Autumn Term 1 - 2025

Please see below a list of lunchtime and after school clubs taking place at Walpole Cross Keys for the above term. Thank you

Day	Theme	Dates / Times	Yr Group	Cost
Mondays	LUNCHTIME READING CLUB with Mrs Roesner	8 <sup>th</sup> September to 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2025 12:30pm-12:50pm	All years	Free: No booking necessary
	LUNCHTIME TIMES TABLE CLUB with Mr Overton	8 <sup>th</sup> September to 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2025 12:30pm-12:50pm	All years	Free: No booking necessary
Tuesday	LUNCHTIME WALKING/STEP COUNTER CLUB with Mr Overton	9 <sup>th</sup> September to 21 <sup>st</sup> October 2025 12:30pm – 12:50pm	All years	Free: No booking necessary
Wednesdays	LUNCHTIME CLUB WITH with Joe - TBC	10 <sup>th</sup> September- 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 12:30pm-12:50pm	All years	Free: No booking necessary
	AFTER SCHOOL FOOTBALL CLUB with Joe – TBC (football boots & shin pads are optional)	10 <sup>th</sup> September- 21 <sup>st</sup> October 3:15pm-4:15pm	All years	Book & pay direct with ICS Coaching please click on the link to book <a href="https://icscoaching.pembee.app/activity/68781e8a0038a2e8e8d4c8bc">https://icscoaching.pembee.app/activity/68781e8a0038a2e8e8d4c8bc</a>
Thursdays	LUNCHTIME MINDFULNESS CLUB with Mrs Jones	11 <sup>th</sup> September- 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 12:30pm-12:50pm	Years 4, 5 & 6	Free: No booking necessary
Fridays	AFTER SCHOOL LEGO CLUB with	12 <sup>th</sup> September to 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 3.15pm – 4pm	KS1	Free: Booking via MCAS (On a first come first serve basis) Available to book on MCAS from W/C 01.09.25



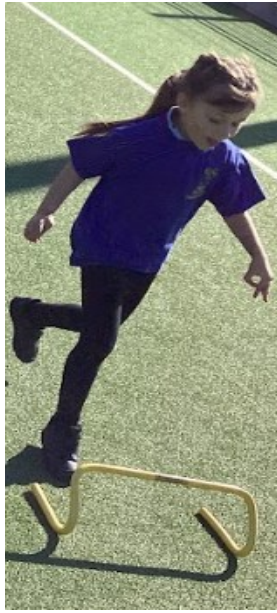
### Term Dates 2025-2026 – Primary Schools

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Key: White dates – school open to pupils  
 Orange dates – pupil holidays  
 Purple dates – staff training days  
 Red dates – bank holidays

Staff training days are – Monday 1 September, Tuesday 2 September, Monday 5 January, Monday 13 April as whole training days.  
 Monday 20 July 2026 is disaggregated.

# Active Kids Festival



# What Parents & Educators Need to Know about EA SPORTS FC 26



Our guide looks at the risks surrounding EA Sports FC 26 and our top tips to minimise them. This marks the third year since EA left the FIFA licence, and the game is mostly unchanged from last year. While Kick-Off mode is great for playing with friends and Career Mode allows players to fulfil long-term ambitions as a manager or player, Ultimate Team remains the main draw for many players – and it can get out of hand in terms of how much money players can invest.

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

### AN ANNUAL RELEASE SCHEDULE

As was the case with the last two EA Sports FC games and the FIFA series before it, the franchise rolls out once a year with updated squads and new features. This can make it expensive to keep up with, particularly when so many dedicated players are keen to get their hands on the latest edition.

### VOICE CHAT

Voice chat can be enabled across all platforms, meaning young people can speak to anyone they play with or against. While it can be switched off, some children will no doubt want to speak to their friends while they play. This also means they may encounter strangers much older than them, which can expose them to inappropriate language or behaviours.

### IN-GAME PURCHASES THROUGH ULTIMATE TEAM

Ultimate Team is the big draw for EA Sports FC, letting players spend real money on packs that they can open to build a squad of the world's best players. They're not always easy to obtain, and new, improved versions of players will be regularly added as limited-time offerings. Young people could feel pressured into spending money and experience fear of missing out.

### SCAMMERS IN ULTIMATE TEAM

Ultimate Team is managed by EA itself, but that hasn't stopped scammers from looking to dupe players out of money and in-game coins. Some scammers sell their accounts, which is a violation of EA's terms of service, while others will 'sell' coins – something the developer is still working to crack down on. Some try to gain access to others' accounts, potentially giving them access to payment information.

### POTENTIAL FOR ADDICTION

While EA Sports FC is potentially addictive, thanks to its fast-paced gameplay and mirroring of the real-world skill and glamour of football, Ultimate Team's focus on limited-time rewards and the lottery of winning packs can make it feel closer to gambling than gaming, which may lead to addiction and impulsive spending of money.

## Advice for Parents & Educators

### PREPARE FOR ANOTHER GAME IN A YEAR

The annual-release cadence aligns with the return of the school year, and can be a great way to incentivise good behaviour at the start of term. If children are applying themselves and preparing for a new year of school, or were particularly well behaved in the summer, EA Sports FC 26 could make a great reward.

### LIMIT SPENDING

If you're worried about children accidentally spending real money in Ultimate Team, whether in game or on the EA Sports FC companion app, don't link a payment card to their account. Reclaiming funds can be a mountain to climb, and the dopamine hit of opening flashy packs with slick animations means one purchase can lead to another very quickly. It's also worth adding a prepaid card if you'd prefer them to make their own choices with their budget.

### MONITOR VOICE CHAT

As in-game chat is open, be sure to adjust the settings in EA Sports FC 26 to lock it down. If children want to chat with their friends while they play, consider setting up a safe space for them to call, to allow them to play without fear of outsiders.

### BE VIGILANT

As with last year, there are ways to keep scammers at bay. Ensure passwords are locked down, and consider using a password manager application to keep them secure. EA will never contact players through the game itself, so be vigilant with incoming messages, and block and report suspected spam. EA will contact players by email if needed, but they will never ask for usernames or passwords. Players should also avoid buying in-game currency from unofficial websites – doing so can lead to accounts being banned and could cost players money in the process.

### Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is an experienced freelance writer and has been working in the gaming and tech industry for seven years. A regular visitor to the App Store to try out new tools, he's also a parent and therefore understands the importance of online safety. He's also a tech and fitness writer and has been published at sites including IGN, TechRadar, and plenty more.



Source: See full reference list on guide page at: <https://nationalcollege.com/guides/ea-sports-fc-26>

# flu: 5 reasons to vaccinate your child



## 1. Protect your child

The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia

## 2. Protect you, your family and friends

Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family

## 3. No injection needed

The nasal spray is painless and easy to have

## 4. It's better than having flu

The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record

## 5. Avoid costs

If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare

Most children have the nasal spray vaccine which is the preferred vaccine. A vaccine injection is also available which does not contain gelatine from pigs (porcine gelatine).

For more information visit  
[www.nhs.uk/child-flu](http://www.nhs.uk/child-flu)

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## SAFEGUARDING

Safeguarding children is the action we take to promote the welfare of children and protect them from harm. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. Every single person who comes into contact with children and families has a role to play. At our school we have a designated safeguarding team who are trained professionals in safeguarding, however all our staff are trained in safeguarding if you want to discuss any concerns with them.

The Safeguarding team.

If you have any concerns about a child's welfare or safety, please speak to a member of the schools safeguarding team.



Mrs Maddison



Mr Overton



Mrs Roesner



Mrs Jones



Mrs Preston