

Walpole Cross Keys Primary School

Weekly Newsletter – 5th December 2025



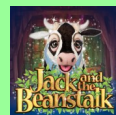
Hello everyone,

On Wednesday some of the children from Year 5 & Year 6 attended the WNAT Community Christmas Carol Service @ St Nicholas Chapel in King's Lynn. A lovely evening for all.



Nativity—Extra tickets are now available to collect from the office.

REMINDER - The Jack & the Beanstalk Panto is on Wednesday 10th December. Please give your consent/payment via your MCAS account today (if you have not already done so). If you require a packed lunch from our school kitchen, please kindly book this via your MCAS account by no later than Saturday 6th December. Any issues, please telephone the school office on 01553 828680. Thank you.



A catch up session for the immunisation programme (Flu) takes place on Monday 8th December 2025. Please use this link to register your child, if you have not already done so.

<https://www.schoolvaccination.uk/copy-of-consent-forms-flu>



We will be holding the **Rudolph Run** on Tuesday 9th December. Sponsor forms have been sent home. Thanks for your support.

Please be reminded that **Christmas Lunch** will be held on Thursday 11th December, no alternatives on this day. Don't forget to wear your favourite **Christmas Jumper!**



WE NEED YOU! - Information on becoming a Governor at this school can be found on the website. To register your interest, please fill in the 'Become a Governor' form from the website. Thank you.

As always, we would like to ensure that your **experience** at Walpole Cross Keys Primary is a **positive** one. If you have any concerns, in the first instance please telephone, email the school office or speak with the class teacher.

Best Wishes
Ms J. Borley
(Executive Head Teacher)



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

Attendance

Class 1: 100%

Class 2: 96.6%

Class 3: 100%

Congratulations to
Class 1 & Class 3!

Whole school: 99%



Weekending—05.12.2025

Stars:

Edith (Class 1), Bella (Class 2) & Florence E (Class 3)

Kindness:

Rosie (Class 1), Mabel (Class 2) & Annabelle (Class 3)

Handwriting:

Tommy-Lee (Class 1), Gabriel (Class 2) & Glenn (Class 3)

THANK YOU card winners:

Isabella (Class 1), Amelia (Class 2) & Sydney (Class 3)

Golden Broom: Class 2

PSHE— Use kind words:

Max, Rosie & Toby (Class 1)

Mabel, Amelia, Hudson & Isaac C (Class 2)

Nelly, Florence E & 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 may be slightly different to NCC.

<p>Monday 8th November 2025</p>  	<p>FLU CLINIC CATCH UP SESSION—8.30AM Please use this link to register your child, if you have not already done so. https://www.schoolvaccination.uk/copy-of-consent-forms-flu</p>
<p>Tuesday 9th December 2025</p> 	<p>NEW DATE—Rudolph Run - Tapping House</p>
<p>Wednesday 10th December 2025</p> 	<p>Family Workshop at Clenchwarton Primary School—9.00am—10.00am</p> <p>Whole School—Panto and King's Lynn Corn Exchange. 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. Consent/Payment via your MCAS account. *Kitchen closed packed lunch only!*</p>
<p>Thursday 11th December 2025</p>   	<p>Christmas Jumper Day</p> <p>Christmas lunch—No alternatives on this day. Roast Chicken (Veg—Quorn Fillet), roast potatoes, Yorkshire pudding, stuffing, chipolata (Veg Quorn sausage), seasonal vegetables and gravy. Plus Christmas deserts.</p> <p>PTA—Movie Evening—3.15pm—5.15pm—£4 per child.</p>
<p>Tuesday 16th December 2025</p> 	<p>Nativity—Parents invited—9.20am—10.20am. Additional tickets are available from the school office. (limited availability).</p>
<p>Wednesday 17th December 2025</p> 	<p>Nativity—Parents invited—2.15pm—3.15pm. Additional tickets are available from the school office. (limited availability).</p>
<p>Thursday 18th December 2025</p>	<p>Christingle Assembly with Reverend Barbara Burton</p>
<p>Friday 19th December 2025</p>	<p>School breaks up at the usual time of 3.15pm for Half Term</p>
<p>Tuesday 6th January 2025</p>	<p>School opens—Prompt registration at 8.45am</p>
<p>Thursday 8th January 2026</p> 	<p>Year 6 and Year R NCMP/Vision and Hearing Screening (NHS) - NEW DATE</p>
<p>Monday 19th January 2026</p>	<p>Young Voices @ O2</p>
<p>Monday 26th January 2026</p>	<p>Active Kids Festival (Yr 1 & Yr 2)</p>

Protecting Kids Online Clenchwarton Primary School



FREE
museum voucher
and prize draw
raffle entry
when you attend
2+ sessions

Are you concerned about your child's online habits?

Would you like to know more about possible dangers on the internet? NCC Family Learning are delighted to invite you to Clenchwarton Primary School over November and December for a FREE 4-week workshop on understanding and protecting young people online.

You don't have to be able to attend all 4 weeks, but more beneficial if you can. Parents/carers only.

- Wednesday mornings - 1 hour per workshop - 9am to 10am
- Nov 19th - Identifying risks to children's safety
- Nov 26th - Building Digital resilience
- Dec 3rd - Safeguarding with parental controls and monitoring tools
- Dec 10th - Preparing and adapting for future risks

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Understanding Your Child's Behaviour: A Norfolk Steps Approach - Primary Years

- Why is a child or young person behaving in a certain way?
- Why are they trying to break things?
- Why are they trying to hurt another child or adult for no apparent reason?

Our Offer:

- Sometimes it is very hard to understand why a child or young person is suddenly having a temper tantrum. Some of the things young people do seem to have no relation to what is going on around them. Parents may be exhausted or feel helpless trying to cope with the behaviour.

All sessions will be 1 hour. We advise that parents attend both sessions to gain the most out of the programme.

Session 1:

- What do we mean by behaviour?
- Flight, Fight, Freeze.
- Recognising 'Triggers.'
- Thinking about 'Before, During and After' an event.



Session 2:

- Early ideas to calm situations and keep the situation manageable for parents and children.
- Supporting children to communicate how they feel.
- Supporting children to self-regulate.
- Using reward/recognition systems.
- Restorative/repair work.

5th and 12th December 2025 3-4pm

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CLUBS

Clubs Overview Autumn Term 2 - 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 <u>Roesner</u>	3 rd November to 8 th December 12:30pm-12:50pm	All years	Free: No booking necessary
	LUNCHTIME TIMES TABLE CLUB with Mr Overton	3 rd November to 8 th December 12:30pm-12:50pm	All years	Free: No booking necessary
Tuesday	LUNCHTIME STEP CLUB	4 th November to 9 th December 13.30pm – 12.50pm	All years	Free: No booking necessary
	YOUNG VOICES CHOIR CLUB with Mr Overton	4 th November to 9 th December 3:15pm – 4:00pm	All years	Free: Open to Young Voices members – Booking via MCAS from 24.10.25
	CHRISTMAS CRAFT CLUB with Mrs <u>Roesner</u> (max 10 children)	2 nd , 9 th & 16 th December (3 weeks only) 3.15pm - 4pm	All years	Free: Booking via MCAS (On a first come first serve basis) Available to book on MCAS from 24.10.25
Wednesdays	LUNCHTIME CLUB WITH Austin/Joe (ICS)	5 th November to 17 th December 12:30pm-12:50pm	All years	Free: No booking necessary
	AFTER SCHOOL FOOTBALL CLUB with Austin/Joe (ICS) (football boots & shin pads are optional)	5 th November to 17 th December 3:15pm-4:15pm (7 weeks)	All years	Book & pay <u>direct</u> with ICS Coaching please click on the link to book https://icscoaching.pembee.app/activity/68efd595ba552fba561721c3
Thursdays	LUNCHTIME MINDFULNESS CLUB with Mrs Jones	6 th November to 11 th December 12:30pm-12:50pm	Years 4, 5 & 6	Free: No booking necessary
	AFTER SCHOOL LEGO CLUB with Mrs Preston (max 10 children)	6 th November to 11 th November 3.15pm – 4pm	KS1	Free: Booking via MCAS (On a first come first serve basis) Available to book on MCAS from 24.10.25
Fridays				



Term Dates 2025-2026 – Primary Schools

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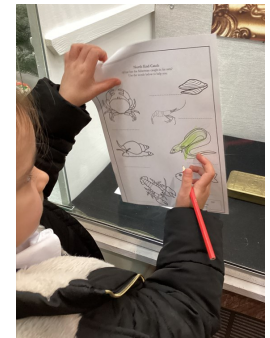
Key: White dates – school open to pupils
 Orange dates – pupil holidays
 Purple dates – staff training days
 Red dates – bank holidays

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.

MITI Workshop



Yr1 True's Yard



10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

ELECTRICAL SAFETY AND DEVICES

Electrical safety is a vital topic for parents and educators, especially with the growing use of devices like smartphones, laptops, and power banks. Electrical fires are a major risk and are the cause of many deaths and injuries each year. There are reportedly nearly 20,000 accidental fires of electrical origin each year in the UK. This guide offers practical advice to help families and schools prevent electrical hazards, and promote safety when using everyday devices.

1 CHECK FOR OVERHEATING

Devices such as laptops, tablets, and smartphones can overheat if used for long periods or when charging. Ensure that children don't use devices on soft surfaces like beds or sofas, which can block ventilation. If a device becomes unusually hot, turn it off and unplug it. Overheating can lead to fire hazards if left unchecked.

2 INSTALL RESIDUAL CURRENT DEVICES

Ensure that homes and schools are equipped with Residual Current Devices (RCDs). These devices cut off the power if an electrical fault occurs, preventing electric shocks and reducing the risk of fires. RCDs should be tested regularly to ensure they are working properly. More information about RCDs is available from Electrical Safety First.

3 AVOID OVERLOADING SOCKETS

Plugging too many devices into one socket can overload the electrical system and cause a fire. In schools and homes, ensure extension leads are not overloaded and never 'daisy chain' multiple extension cords together. Educate children on the dangers of connecting too many devices to a single outlet.

4 POWER BANKS: SAFE USE

Power banks are a handy way to charge devices, but they can also pose a risk if misused. Ensure power banks are of high quality and comply with UK safety standards. Teach children never to leave power banks charging unattended, and to avoid placing them under pillows or bedding where they may overheat.

5 REGULAR DEVICE INSPECTIONS

Regularly check devices for signs of wear and tear. Frayed charging cables, cracked device casings, or devices that are slow to charge may indicate electrical problems. If any issues are noticed, stop using the device until it can be repaired or replaced by a qualified technician. This proactive approach helps prevent fires caused by faulty devices.

6 UNPLUG DEVICES WHEN NOT IN USE

Encourage children and pupils to unplug devices when not in use, particularly overnight. Devices left plugged in unnecessarily can overheat or become fire hazards, especially if left charging unattended for long periods. Simple habits like unplugging can prevent serious incidents.

7 USE GENUINE CHARGERS

Always use chargers supplied by the manufacturer or from a reputable retailer. Faulty or counterfeit chargers can cause devices to overheat, short-circuit, or even catch fire. Teach children the importance of avoiding poor-quality chargers, and regularly inspect charging cables for signs of wear or damage. More tips on safe charging can be found at Electrical Safety First.

8 WATER & ELECTRICITY DON'T MIX

Teach children that water and electricity are a dangerous combination. Devices should never be used near sinks, bathtubs, or swimming pools. Parents and educators should ensure that any electrical appliances near water sources have proper waterproof casings and are plugged into RCD-protected outlets.

9 KEEP DEVICES VENTILATED

Devices need proper ventilation to avoid overheating. Avoid stacking items on top of plugged-in devices like laptops or gaming consoles, and make sure there is enough space around devices to allow for airflow. Proper ventilation helps prevent dangerous heat build-up, reducing the risk of fires.

10 SUPERVISE YOUNG CHILDREN

Younger children may not understand the dangers of electricity, so it's important to supervise them when they are using devices. Keep electrical cords out of reach and always remind children never to put objects into electrical outlets.

Meet Our Expert

James Whelan is an experienced health and safety expert who is a Chartered Member of the Institution of Occupational Safety and Health. He provides services to educational settings as well as many other industries to help them maintain a safe working environment.



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Community News

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❄️ **Christmas Holiday Programme**

22 December 2025 - 5 January 2026

Lynnsport, St James Pool, Oasis, Downham Leisure, Hunstanton Primary School and South Lynn Community Centre

Booking is advisable for all activities alivewestnorfolk.co.uk

Big Norfolk Holiday Fun

Sutton Bridge Westmere Primary School PE12 9TB

Aladdin by Nigel Holmes

19th & 20th February 2026 - 7:30pm
21st February 2026 - 2:30pm & 7:30pm

£7.50 per Adult, Children 11 years of age and under free. Children must be accompanied by an adult over 18.

Get in touch with our Box Office to book your tickets:
Email: info@suttonbridgeplayers.co.uk

www.SuttonBridgePlayers.co.uk

Catch up clinic - Norfolk

Sat 06 Dec | Gaywood Library

Time & Location

06 Dec 2025, 10:00 - 14:00
Gaywood Library, River Lane, King's Lynn PE30 4HD

About this clinic

These flu clinics will be running on an APPOINTMENT ONLY basis.

Consent forms can be found on our website under 'CONSENT FORMS'.

e-mail: norfolk@n-uk.co.uk
Tel: 01603 576 320

King's Lynn Foodbank
Together with Trussell

CHRISTMAS OPENING HOURS
ST. MARGARET'S LANE CENTRE

23rd Dec	Tuesday	12-2pm
24th Dec	Christmas Eve	Closed
25th Dec	Christmas Day	Closed
26th Dec	Boxing Day	Closed
29th Dec	Monday	Closed
30th Dec	Tuesday	12-2pm
31st Dec	New Years Eve	Closed
1st Jan	New Years Day	Closed
2nd Jan	Friday	12-2pm

St. Faiths and KLBC satellite distribution centres will be closed from 23rd Dec and re-open 5th Jan 2026. Please use main centre on 30th Dec and 2nd Jan.

<https://www.alivewestnorfolk.co.uk/activities/holiday-activities/>

Family Christingle Services in the Minster

Christmas Eve 2pm & 4pm

The Christingle services are FREE to attend, and you don't have to book but it does help us to make sure we have enough Christingles!

Bookings can be made via Ticket Tailor using the QR Code or link: bit.ly/ticketsKLMinster

Christmas Tree Festival at King's Lynn Minster

Friday 5th December to Sunday 7th December 2025
(10am-6pm Friday & Saturday) (10am-4pm Sunday)

Christmas Films at the Minster

Father Christmas
Wednesday 17th December
4pm & 6pm
Christmas Raffle & free children's draw.

It's a Wonderful Life
Thursday 18th December, 7pm
Bar & Christmas Raffle

Tickets are FREE, follow the link to book: bit.ly/ticketsKLMinster

Come & Sing Christmas Carols

Sunday 14th December 2025
3pm in The Minster

Come along and join in with all the family favourites!