

# Walpole Cross Keys Primary School

Weekly Newsletter – 24th April 2026



Hello everyone,

What a wonderful week we have had and the children have been fascinated watching the chicks hatch! We have had 9 fluffy chicks hatch.



**ATTENTION**

Could children please refrain from using the playground equipment after school as this is not supervised. Thank you.

The Year 6 Crucial Crew trip take place next week. If you have not already done so, please give consent/payment via your MCAS account ASAP.



Also, Class 3 will be visiting Gressenhall next Thursday and again, if you have not already done so, please give consent/payment via your MCAS account ASAP. Thank you.



GRESSENHALL  
FARM AND WORKHOUSE  
MUSEUM OF NORFOLK LIFE

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.

## Weekending—24.04.2026

### Stars:

Rosie (Class 1), Freddie (Class 2) & Layla (Class 3)

### Kindness:

Toby (Class 1), Hudson (Class 2) & Glenn (Class 3)

### Handwriting:

Thomas (Class 1), Lucas (Class 2) & Rosie C (Class 3)

### THANK YOU card winners:

Edith (Class 1), Brody (Class 2) & Nelly (Class 3)

### Golden Broom: Class 3

### PSHE-Try to solve friendship:

Edith, Isabella, Nova, Hollie & Hugo (Class 1)  
Amelia, Gabby, Isaac O & Jacob (Class 2)  
Hector & Edward (Class 3)



## Attendance

Class 1: 98.6%

Class 2: 98.6%

Class 3: 96.5%

Congratulations to Class 1&2

Whole school: 97.8%




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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 can be located from the school's website. School holiday dates may be slightly different to NCC.

Tuesday 28th April 2026	Year 6—Crucial Crew Trip
Wednesday 29th April 2026	Tri Golf Festival—Years 1—4 only
Thursday 30th April 2026	Class 3—Victorian Activity Day @ Gressenhall—Consent and payment via MCAS.
<b>Monday 4th May 2026</b>	<b>BANK HOLIDAY—School Closed.</b>
Monday 11th May	Yr6 Sats week.
Wednesday 13th May 2026	Class 1 Sandringham Trip-Consent and payment via MCAS.
Thursday 14th May 2026	Class 1 Shabbat workshop—Consent and payment via MCAS.
Friday 15th May 2026	Yr6 Special lunch.
Monday 18th May 2026	Great Athletes visit—More details to follow.
Tuesday 19th May 2026	Year 4—Stories of Lynn Trip—Consent and payment via MCAS.
Wednesday 20th May 2026	Dynamos Cricket
Thursday 21st May 2026	WNAT Sports Event UKS2 Homework Challenge Event.
Friday 22nd May 2026	Spelling Bee Round 2
<b>Friday 22nd May 2026</b>	<b>School breaks up at the usual time of 3.15pm for Half Term</b>
<b>Monday 1st June 2026</b>	<b>School opens-Prompt registration at 8.45am</b>
Monday 1st June 2026	SSP Dynamos Cricket—Finalists—TBC
Wednesday 3rd June 2026	NHS Mental Health Team - Year 6 Transition talk
Thursday 4th June 2026	Lilacmoon in for Class photos only.
Friday 5th June 2026	Olympic athlete visit. More details to follow.
Thursday 11th June 2026	SSP Tennis (Yr3 & Yr4) - More details to follow
Friday 12th June 2026	Sports Day—10am start.
Monday 15th June 2026	Spelling Bee Final—KS2 only
Wednesday 17th June 2026	New EYFS parents evening—3.30pm
Thursday 18th June 2026	Reception—Sea Life Centre Trip- Consent via MCAS. Yr6 Selected-Soroptimist event at The College of West Anglia. Soroptimist Public Speaking Event—Selected
Friday 19th June 2026	Sports Day— 10am -12pm Class 3 - Open Classroom 3.15pm - Parents/Carers invited
Monday 22nd June 2026	SSP Quadkids (Yr5 & Yr6) - More details to follow.
Monday 22nd, Tuesday 23rd, Thursday 25th & Friday 26th June 2026	Year 5 & Year 6 Bikeability—4 days
Thursday 25th June 2026	WNAT Photographic Competition Final. New EYFS Transition session—9.30—10.15am.
Wednesday 24th June 2026	Year 6—Theatre Trip.
Wednesday 1st July 2026	New EYFS Home Visits.
Thursday 2nd July 2026	Year 6 Transition Day and Evening at St Clements High School. Move Up Day.
Friday 3rd July 2026	Maths Challenge—UKS2
Monday 6th July 2026	Active Kids (Yr 1 & Yr2) - More details to follow. WNAT Community Music Festival Week. MITI
Wednesday 8th July 2026	Intra Sports Event—Class 1 . New EYFS Transition session—1.30-2.15pm. WNAT Community Music Festival week (90's theme) - Yr5 & Yr6
Tuesday 7th July 2026	Year 5 Taster Day @ St Clements High School.
Thursday 9th July 2026	Apprentice Day.
Friday 10th July 2026	SSP Tennis (Yr 5 & Yr 6) - More details to follow. Top Link Festival (YrR, Yr1 & Yr2) - More details to follow.
Sunday 12th July to Wednesday 15th July 2026	Year 6 Residential—Hilltop
	
Friday 17th July 2026	Yr6 Leavers Assembly—9am.
<b>Friday 17th July 2026</b>	<b>Schools breaks up at the usual time of 3.15pm for the summer holidays.</b>
<b>Thursday 3rd September 2026</b>	<b>School opens-Prompt registration at 8.45am</b>



West Norfolk  
Academies Trust



King's Lynn & District  
Camera Club

## Photographic Competition 2026

KLDCCC in conjunction with WNAT would like to invite entries to the annual photographic competition. The competition is open to Key Stages 2,3,4,5 and Staff.

The theme for this year's competition is



'OPEN'



Photographs can be taken on any imaging device including mobile phones, tablets or cameras.

The OPEN theme covers any subject you think would make an interesting picture. We are looking for pictures that have impact, rather than 'snapshots' So go out and be creative!

Images should be submitted to [e.pearman@wnat.co.uk](mailto:e.pearman@wnat.co.uk) in Jpeg format, be no larger than A4 or 300 x 200mm and be saved at their full size if possible (a maximum of around 3600 x 2400 pixels).

Please do not send via WhatsApp or Facebook, as the images will be compressed and will not print properly.

Images will initially be assessed by the Trust, who will choose finalists from each group to go forward for judging by the KLDCCC on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2026, at Springwood High School.

£20 of Amazon vouchers will be awarded as first place prize to each key stage.

The overall winner will receive the Dave Ashfield Cup.

All finalists will receive a mounted print of their entry.

**Entries close at 9am on Monday 1st June 2026.**

Head to the KLDCCC website [kldcc.co.uk](http://kldcc.co.uk) and look at some of the pictures taken by our club members to get some good ideas. You will also find some tips on the website to help you make the best of your images



### WNAT Photo competition - brief guide to photography



*It doesn't matter if you use your phone or a 'proper' camera, whatever you are photographing it needs to be in focus and properly exposed (not too dark or too bright), here a few quick tips to help you get the best from your images.*

**Landscapes:** Keep the horizon level and make sure something in the photo draws your eyes to it, this is called a focal point. A great time to take your camera out is the last couple of hours before the sun sets, and there is no such thing as bad weather!



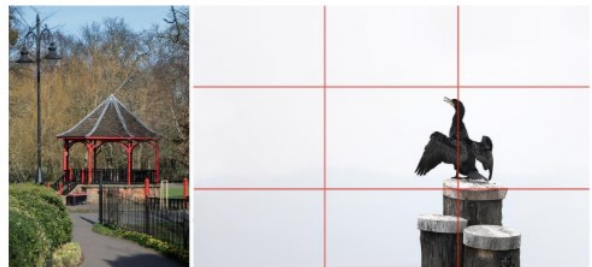
**People:** Your subject shouldn't be too small in the picture and you will get nicer photos if you zoom in rather than holding the camera closer to them.



**Animals/Pets:** Crouch down to their level as opposed to pointing the camera downwards.



**Composition:** Think about your composition when you take the photo, something leading the eye to your focal point always works, as does using the "Rule of Thirds" (draw a mental grid over what you see and put your subject where two of the lines cross).



*Finally, editing your photos afterwards is not cheating! For example, if the colours do not work, try changing the photo to black and white.*

**ENJOY YOUR PHOTOGRAPHY!!**

# CLUBS

## Clubs Overview Summer Term 1 - 2026

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	Year Group	Cost
Monday	LUNCHTIME READING CLUB with Mrs Roesner	20 <sup>th</sup> April to 18 <sup>th</sup> May 12:30pm-12:50pm	All years	Free: No booking necessary
Tuesday	LUNCHTIME TIMES TABLE CLUB with Miss Daws	14 <sup>th</sup> April to 19 <sup>th</sup> May 12:30pm-12:50pm	All years	Free: No booking necessary
	PHONICS CLUB with Mrs Roesner	14 <sup>th</sup> April to 19 <sup>th</sup> May 3:15pm – 4pm	Year 1 only	Free: Booking & consent via your MCAS account.
Wednesdays	LUNCHTIME CLUB with Austin/Joe (ICS)	15 <sup>th</sup> April to 20 <sup>th</sup> May 12:30pm-12:50pm	All years	Free: No booking necessary
	FOOTBALL CLUB with Austin/Joe (ICS) (football boots & shin pads are optional)	15 <sup>th</sup> April to 20 <sup>th</sup> May 3:15pm-4:15pm	All years	£4.00 per session totalling to £24.00 for 6 weeks Book & pay direct with ICS Coaching by no later than 14 <sup>th</sup> April please click on the link to book <a href="https://icscoaching.pembee.app/">https://icscoaching.pembee.app/</a>
Thursdays	LEGO CLUB with Mrs Preston	16 <sup>th</sup> April to 21 <sup>st</sup> May 3:15pm to 4pm	All years (max 10 spaces available)	Free: Booking & consent via your MCAS account.

### PE—Summer Term 1

Tuesday's Class 2—Swimming (swim kits) including hat. If goggles are to be worn, could you please give written permission to the school office. Thank you.

Wednesday's - Class 1 & 3 **\*Wear PE kits\***.



### 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.

### Have your circumstances changed recently?

You may be eligible for Free School Meals!

The school receives funding for each child who comes under Pupil Premium (including FSM).

You can apply online:-

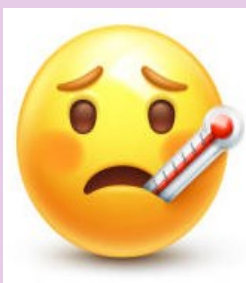
<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals>



Could you please ensure your child comes to school suitably dressed for the elements.



### If your child is not 'fit' to go into school?



Each day your child is unfit to come to school, please report this absence by calling the school office on 01553 828680 before 9:15am to let us know. Please **do not** send messages via Class Dojo. Thank you.

In the message please leave your child's full name, class and give the specific reason for absence. The information you give will be recorded on our official register. Thank you.

All lunches need to be booked by midnight on a Saturday via your MCAS account. Thank you.



### 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.



Miss Daws



Mrs Roesner



Mrs Jones



Mrs Preston

