

Walpole Cross Keys Primary School

Newsletter - 16th November 2018



Thank you to everybody who donated money today for Children in Need. We will let you know how much we raised in our next newsletter.

We would be grateful if all parents and carers could read the whole of this newsletter to familiarise themselves with our new morning routine (starting 19th November) and to ensure they are aware of our current uniform policy.

On Wednesday 12th December 2018 the main meal will be fish (normally served on a Friday) and on Friday 14th December it will be the Christmas Roast (no alternative available on 14th December 2018).

As always, if you have any concerns please do speak with your class teacher in the first instance, they will endeavour to answer any queries and resolve any issues.

Best Wishes,
Ms J. Borley
Executive Head Teacher

This week ...

- ⇒ On Monday some of our pupils were part of a Remembrance Showcase at Springwood High School. They were all absolutely amazing and we are very proud of them.
- ⇒ On Tuesday some of our Year 4, 5 and 6 pupils took part in the St Clement's Sportshall Athletics competition.
- ⇒ On Wednesday the school nurse visited our Year 6 pupils for height and weight checks.
- ⇒ Today we held our PTA meeting, thank you to everybody who came along. This morning our Year 5/6 Tag Rugby team went to West Norfolk Rugby Club to take part in the final, they came 9th place out of 12 schools.

Next week ...

Monday

KLFM Visit—Sleeps til Santa
Fencing Club (all Years)

Tuesday

Gymnastics

Wednesday

Lunchtime Multiplication Club
Football Club (Years 1-6)
Handwriting Club (Years 2-6)

Thursday

Christmas Craft Club (all Years)

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SCHOOL

After reviewing current practice and talking with a number of parents, we would like to introduce a slight change to the way children enter school first thing in the morning. We have noticed that the new Reception children have settled really well into school and are now very independent. We would like to continue to build on this and also ensure that all children are in school ready to learn by 8:50am so that lessons can start promptly.

There will be two members of staff on the playground from 8:40am every morning. Children may be left / dropped off from this time and will stay on the playground. All teaching staff will come onto the playground at 8:45am and will be available should you wish to pass on a quick message - if you have a particular concern about your child, please make an appointment at the office so that a longer time slot can be arranged.

The whistle will be blown, children can say good bye to parents and will line up as they usually do at the end of break and lunchtime:

- ⇒ Rec / Year 1 / Year 2 - line up at the wooden gate,
- ⇒ Year 3 / 4 - line up near their class door and
- ⇒ Year 5 / 6 - line up near the metal gate.

The children will enter the school building just before 8:50am so that they are in class ready to learn promptly at 8:50am. In this way, we hope to continue to build on the children's independent skills, be ready to start learning promptly and also make sure we keep your children safe by reducing the number of adults accessing the school building in the morning.

We respectfully ask that parents do not enter the school building with their children - safeguarding your children is very important to us at Walpole Cross Keys.

This new routine will start from **Monday 19th November**.

Thank you very much for your co-operation.

Cross Country

Last Friday some of our pupils went to St Clements High School to take part in the St Clements Cluster Cross Country competition. They all did so well to run long distances and quite a few pupils are through to the final taking place on Tuesday 22nd January 2019:

Year 3—Reece, Fern & Evan

Year 4—James, Daisy-Rae, Harry & Skye

Year 5—Liene

Year 6—Kyle, Sophia & Keira

Well done to everybody who took part.



Uniform

We have recently noticed a number of children coming to school wearing tops other than white polo shirts. Pale blue polo shirts are part of the PE uniform; white polo shirts are part of the usual school uniform.

We understand that some children still have navy polo tops which were part of the school uniform a few years ago. Could we kindly ask that when the children outgrow these navy polo shirts, please purchase a plain white polo shirt. May we respectfully remind all parents that the school uniform consists of:

Boys:

Grey / black trousers (optional shorts)
Navy school sweatshirt / jumper
White polo shirts or white or blue shirts
Black school shoes.

Girls

Grey/ black skirts / trousers / pinafore dresses / shorts. No leggings please.
Navy school sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan.
White polo shirts or white / blue blouse
Blue or blue/white checked dress (Summer)
Black school shoes

PE and Games

Children will need black or blue shorts, a pale blue polo shirt and trainers or football boots. Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 children will need tracksuits and trainers for outdoor games and football kit (if appropriate). Children who go swimming will need a costume, hat and towel clearly named.

Fleeces, sweatshirts, swimming caps and book bags can be purchased from the office.

Occasionally some items of school uniform can go missing. It would really help us relocate missing items to their owners if **ALL UNIFORM IS CLEARLY NAMED**. Thank you.

Christmas Fayre—Friday 7th December 2:30pm

If any parents/carers have small businesses and they would like a stall to sell any items please book via the office (£5 per stall). If you are able to donate any of the following items please bring them to school by Friday 30th November:

- * **Christmas decorations** (to decorate the school)
- * **Handmade crafts** (to sell on our school craft stall)
- * **Raffle prizes** (prize request letters available from the office)



Are you affected by ADD or ADHD?

Our Norwich drop in sessions are open to anyone affected by Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) and Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD). *No diagnosis required**

Norwich Drop In:

2018	5th September 3rd October 7th November → *see website 5th December	Venue:	Postwick Village Hall Ferry Lane Norwich Norfolk NR13 5HL
2019	2nd January 6th February 6th March 3rd April 1st May 5th June 3rd July	6.30pm - 8.30pm	

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Email: enquiries@adhdnorfolk.org.uk
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*Before attending please ensure you check our website for any unexpected changes

Don't forget:

- **Swim Gala (03/12) Year 4-6):** Please return all slips by 28th November.
- **Evacuees Christmas (4/12 Year 5 & 6):** All payments must be made by Monday 26th November.
- **Christmas Lunch (14/12 whole school):** All bookings must be received in the office by 30th November.
- **Data Collection Sheets:** Please return these to the office.

A message from Lesley Bambridge, Chair of Governors:

This week I was lucky enough to be invited to the Remembrance Performance held at Springwood High School. On Sunday, I was at the wreath laying at Tower Gardens followed by the Remembrance Day service at the Minster and later in the evening at the lighting of the beacon but Monday night's concert was more moving and full of pathos excellently performed by KS2 children from the Trust Primary schools including West Lynn, Clenchwarton and Walpole Cross Keys. I cannot tell you how proud of them I was, as were the parents I talked to afterwards. Other guests were talking about it and complimenting the children. I can tell you I was glad I had a hankie with me.

My grandfather served in World War I. He was gassed and I have only just found out recently that his cousin who was awarded the Military Cross was killed in March 1918, just a few months before Armistice. My father served in World War 2 and was a prisoner of war in the Far East. Both of them survived otherwise I would not be here but remembering their friends that did not was important to them and now to me. The children tonight made this year very special. The performance contained some very moving poetry and songs from the First World War and Artistic Director, Hayley Roberts should be congratulated in getting this wonderful show together in such a short time. I am sure this is something the children will remember this for years to come.



Awards

This week's stars are:

Archie (Yr2), Sam (Yr3) and Rihanna (Yr5)

Behaviour certificates were awarded to:

Evelyn-Grace (YrR) and Toby (Yr6)

Well done everybody



A t t e n d a n c e

w/c 12th November 2018:

⇒ Reception:	90%
⇒ Year 1:	83%
⇒ Year 2:	94%
⇒ Year 3:	95%
⇒ Year 4:	90%
⇒ Year 5:	92%
⇒ Year 6:	93%



Congratulations
Year 3—95%

Diary Dates

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

Monday 19th November	KLFM Visiting Sleeps Til Santa Recording
Monday 26th November	Young Farmers Talk (Years 5&6)
Monday 3rd December	Cluster Swimming Gala (Years 4/5/6) St James Swimming Pool 9:30am-11:30am
Tuesday 4th December	Evacuees Christmas Workshop (Year 5/6)
Thursday 6th December	Christingle with Father Andrew *letter to follow*
Friday 7th December	Christmas Fayre 2:30pm
Monday 10th December	Whole School Pantomime Trip King's Lynn Corn Exchange
Tuesday 11th December	Whole School Christmas Concert St Nicholas Chapel
Wednesday 12th December	Christmas Play 2:00pm
Thursday 13th December	Immunisations Years R-5 back up date
	Christmas Play 2:00pm
Friday 14th December	Christmas Jumper Day
	Homework Celebration Assembly
	Christmas Lunch (please book)
Wednesday 19th December	School Closed (Inset Day)
Thursday 20th December	School Closed (Half Term)
Thursday 3rd January 2019	Back to School (Spring Term 1)