

Walpole Cross Keys Primary School

Weekly Newsletter – 9th September 2022



Welcome to all our pupils, old and new. We hope you had a lovely Summer break and feel ready for a new year of learning and lots of fun. We are really **impressed** with how well our Reception pupils have coped with starting school with us this week.

This week our Class 3 pupils have started their weekly **swimming** lessons at clenchwarton, please remember to send swim kits in to school every Wednesday. Today they practiced their dance routine in readiness for their **WNAT Dance Festival** next week.

As you know, sadly Her Majesty, **Queen Elizabeth II** passed away yesterday. As a school community, our thoughts and prayers are with her family at this difficult time. Today we held a short assembly to address the news with the children and answer any questions they may have had.

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 (01553 828680), email the school office (office@walpolecrosskeysprimary.co.uk) or speak with the class teacher.

Best Wishes,
Ms J. Borley, Executive Head Teacher

**** Year R parents: please send a family photo in to school with your child on Monday, thank you****

Attendance

Our attendance policy is available to view on our website (About Us > Policies). Our morning routine is as follows:

- Gates open **8:35am**
- Classrooms open **8:40am**
- Registration & gates close **8:45am**
(gate re-opens shortly before 3:15pm)
- Register closes at **9:00am**

Pupils arriving after 8:45am must be signed in by their parent/carer via the school office. Pupils arriving after **9:00am** will receive a late mark 'L' and those after **9:15am** will be marked as unauthorised late which will affect attendance figures. Any **absences** must be reported to the office by 9:00am. If your child will be away from school for other reasons please let the office know in advance, depending upon the nature of the absence we may ask for evidence. **Leave of absence forms** must be completed at least **4 weeks** before the holiday date.

Thank you

Next week ...

Monday

- Music lessons (bookings)

Tuesday

- Yrs4-6 WNAT dance festival rehearsal
- Class 2 meet the teacher @ 3:15pm
- Art club (all years) 3:15pm-4pm (bookings)
- Gardening club (yrs2-6) 3:15pm-4pm (bookings)
- Yrs4-6 WNAT dance festival @ 6pm (dancers arrive at 5:30pm)

Wednesday

- Yrs4-6 Swimming (remember swim kits inc swim hats & towel)
- Class 1 meet the teacher @ 3:15pm

Thursday

- Games club (all years) 12:30pm-12:50pm

Friday

- Yrs R-3 PE day (wear PE kits)
- Homework club (all years) 12:30pm-12:50pm
- Table tennis club (yrs4-6) 12:30-12:50pm
- Class 3 meet the teacher @ 3:15pm
- Football club (yrs1-6) 3:15pm-4:15pm (bookings)

Please check following pages for future diary dates.

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REMINDERS



- **Message from the Kitchen:** If your child requires any type of school lunch these must be ordered online (ParentPay) by Sunday midnight or by 9am on Monday with the office. We are unable to make changes to orders after numbers are submitted to the kitchen. If you need a ParentPay login please let the office know.
- **Nut free:** Please remember we are a nut free school. All parents/carers must check the contents of any food bought into school to ensure they do not contain nuts.
- **PE Kits:** Children must come to school wearing full PE kits on their designated PE day.
- **Outdoor Shoes:** You may leave a pair of trainers/wellies on our rack for your child to use when the field is wet. Please ensure all trainers/wellies stored in school are clearly labelled and fit your child.
- **Uniform:** Uniform items can be ordered from Stratfords 01553 772043. Water bottles and swimming caps are available from the school office (£1 per item paid via ParentPay). Please email the office to place your order (office@walpolecrosskeysprimary.co.uk).



Awards

Each week our teachers will choose a pupil from their class who they feel has been their '**Star of the Week**'. They will also choose pupils who they believe have shown outstanding kindness during the week to receive our **Kindness Award**. In addition to this we issue **Handwriting Awards**, hold a '**thank you**' card draw to win a book each week and one class will be given the **Golden Broom Award** for having the tidiest class of the week. Certificates are presented during our recognition assembly every Friday. We are Always looking to revamp our rewards ... watch this space



THIS WEEK'S AWARD WINNERS ARE:

STARS: Matthew (YrR), Evan (Yr2) & Beau (Yr4)

KINDNESS: Brody (Yr), Rosie.C (Yr3) & Maria (Yr6)

HANDWRITING: Zoe-Marie (Yr1), Leo (Yr2) & Grace (Yr5)

GOLDEN BROOM: Class 3

THANK YOU WINNERS: Brody (YrR), Darcy (Yr3), Ava-Grace (Yr4) & Miss Jordan

Attendance

Reception: 94.44%

Year 1: 96.3%

Year 2: 94.44%

Year 3: 94.44%

Year 4: 100%

Year 5: 100%

Year 6: 90.28%

Whole school: 95.56%

Congratulations Years 4 & 5
(100%)

Attendance bear winners:
Class 3



Diary Dates

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

Tuesday 13th September	Yrs 4-6 WNAT Dance Festival rehearsal (early registration @ 8:35am consents due by 12th September) WNAT Dance Festival @ Springwood High School 6pm start (dancers to be dropped off 5:30pm)
Wednesday 28th September	Yrs 2&3 Ken Hill class trip *letter to follow*
Thursday 29th September	Yr 6 @ Guildhall *letter to follow*
Thursday 6th October	Yrs 1& Active Kids Festival *letter to follow*
Monday 10th October	Young Minds Hello Yellow Day
Monday 17th October	Flu Immunisations *letter to follow*
Monday 24th to Friday 28th October 2022	**SCHOOL CLOSED HALF-TERM**
Friday 4th November	Lilac Moon Photographer (individual & siblings)
Friday 18th November	Children in Need
Wednesday 7th December	Panto *letter to follow*
Wednesday 14th December	School nurse team visiting yrs R & 6 *letter to follow*
Monday 19th December to Tuesday 3rd January 2023	**SCHOOL CLOSED CHRISTMAS BREAK**

Next week's menu:

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Commencing: 18th Apr, 9th May, 6th Jun, 27th Jun, 18th Jul, 12th Sep, 3rd Oct

Allergen Key: Barley (B), Celery (C), Egg (E), Fish (F), Gluten (G), Lapsin (L), Milk (MK), Mustard (MU), Sesame Seeds (SE), Soya (SO), Sulphites (SU), Wheat (W)

Week 1

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Main Meal

Chicken Burger in a Bun with Baked Wedges and Garden Peas
(G) (W) (SE)

Beef Lasagne served with Garlic Bread and Seasonal Vegetables
(G) (W) (MK)

Creamy Chicken Sweetcorn Pasta Bake Served with Garlic & Herb Bread, Fresh Salad
(G) (W) (MK) (SO)

Farm Assured Roast Chicken with Potatoes, Carrots and Broccoli, Yorkshire Pudding and Gravy
(G) (W) (E) (MK)

Cod Fish Fingers served with Chips, Garden Peas and Baked Beans *Salmon Fish Fingers Available
(G) (W) (F)

Meat Free

Southern Fried Quorn Burger in a Bun with Baked Wedges and Garden Peas
(G) (W) (E) (MK) (SE)

Vegetable Lasagne served with Garlic Bread and Seasonal Vegetables
(G) (W) (MK)

Classic Macaroni Cheese Served with Garlic and Herb Bread, Fresh Salad
(G) (W) (MK) (SO)

Quorn Roast with Potatoes, Carrots and Broccoli, Yorkshire Pudding and Gravy
(G) (W) (E) (MK)

Vegetable Sausage served with Chips, Garden Peas and Baked Beans and Tomato Ketchup
(G) (W) (B) (E) (MK)

Jackets

Jacket Potato with Cheese and Baked Beans served with Fresh Salad
(MK)

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(MK)

Lunchtime Lunchbox

Cheese Sandwich Pasta Salad Salad Sticks Choose one of our Fabulous Desserts
(G) (W) (MK) (E) (SE)

Chicken Mayo Sandwich Pizza Finger Salad Sticks Choose one of our Fabulous Desserts
(G) (W) (MK) (E) (SE) (SO)

Cheese Sandwich Pasta Salad Salad Sticks Choose one of our Fabulous Desserts
(G) (W) (MK) (E) (SE)

Desserts

Choose One of Our Fabulous Desserts Chocolate Brownie Fresh Fruit
(G) (W) (E) (MK)

Choose One of Our Fabulous Desserts Fruit Crunch Fresh Fruit
(G) (W) (MK) (E)

Choose One of Our Fabulous Desserts Lemon Shortbread Fresh Fruit
(G) (W) (MK)

Available every day:

A selection of fresh vegetables and tasty salad

Delicious freshly baked bread

Fruit platter and natural yogurt with toppings



If your child would like any school lunches please order for the week using **ParentPay**, the deadline for orders is midnight on Sunday. If you miss the deadline please email the office by 9am on Monday with your child's choices for the week.
Thank you

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

ROBLOX

Roblox is one of the most popular video games on the market. By 2020, the game's makers were claiming that more than half of children in the USA play it. As a 'sandbox' title, Roblox offers a huge amount of creative freedom: it lets players create their own gaming experiences with the Roblox Studio to build custom levels and games, which can then be shared with other players online. Roblox fosters creative thinking and enjoys a robust online community of fans.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

CONTACT WITH STRANGERS

Roblox encourages players to communicate online (including a group chat facility). This could expose children to risks such as scammers, online predators, harassment, griefers and more. The in-game chat has some filters, but isn't perfect: players can still send harmful messages to others – such as scam links or general hostility – while predators can reach out to children directly.

PUBLIC SERVERS

Roblox has private or VIP servers which allow people to play exclusively with their friends, but this costs money. Most Roblox players will instead be on public servers that anyone can join. Servers can host games which focus on all kinds of aspects, including direct player interaction. Some games and servers, therefore, will put children more at risk of contact from strangers than others.

ONLINE DATERS

These are also called 'ODers' and are quite common in Roblox. An ODER is an individual who joins a game with the intention of finding someone to date online – and eventually meet in person. Such online dating is against the Roblox community guidelines, but this usually doesn't deter ODERs. Some player-built Roblox game worlds have even been designed with online dating specifically in mind.

IN-APP PURCHASES

Roblox is actually free to download and play, but bear in mind that there are some hidden costs. Players are encouraged to make purchases in the game, for example, using real money. People can also buy extra Robux (the in-game currency) to spend on cosmetic items in the game, while it's possible to purchase a private or VIP server.

Advice for Parents & Carers

SET PARENTAL CONTROLS

Roblox comes with several parental control options, which are explained well on the game's official website. It's essential to enter the correct date of birth for your child, as that allows Roblox to automatically apply the appropriate chat filters. The game also allows parents and carers to set monthly spending restrictions and monitor their child's account.

DISABLE PRIVATE MESSAGING

Roblox's private messaging function raises the risk of children being contacted by people they may not want to speak with – potentially leading to bullying, harassment, toxicity and scam attempts. The game allows you to disable messages from anyone who hasn't been added as a friend on your child's account.

PRIVATE SERVERS

If your child has some genuine friends to play Roblox online with, paying for a private or VIP server decreases the risk of contact from strangers. Even then, however, some players could invite other people – who might not necessarily be child friendly – into the private server. If your child is a Roblox fan, it's important to talk with them regularly about who they are playing the game with.

MONITOR SPENDING

If they don't understand they're using real money, it's easy for children to accidentally spend a sizeable amount in the game. Using parental controls to place limits on their spending will help avoid any nasty financial surprises. Ensuring that you have two-factor authentication on your payment accounts also makes it harder for your child to spend money inadvertently.

DEALING WITH STRANGERS

At some point in their development, your child will need to learn how to deal with strangers online. Show them how to block and report any users who are upsetting them or asking uncomfortable questions. Talking to them about what's OK to discuss – and what they should never tell a stranger online – will help them understand how to communicate with other people online safely.

Meet Our Expert

Clare Godwin (a.k.a. Lunawolf) has worked as an editor and journalist in the gaming industry since 2015, providing websites with event coverage, reviews and gaming guides. She is the owner of Lunawolf Gaming and is currently working on various gaming-related projects including game development and writing non-fiction books.



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Term Dates 2022-2023 Trust Primary Schools

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August 2023						
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Key: White dates – school open to pupils
 Orange dates – pupil holiday
 Purple dates – staff training day
 Red dates – bank holiday

Staff training days are – Thursday 1st September, Friday 2nd September, Tuesday 3rd January and Monday 17th April as whole training days.
 Friday 21st July 2023 is disaggregated.