

# Walpole Cross Keys Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter – 8th March 2024



On Monday **class 2** had their second visit from Ali Atkins, artist and sculptor, to continue working on their **River of Hope** project.

On Wednesday **Alan, Bluebell and Eli** took part in a **public speaking event** held at the King's Lynn Corn Exchange. They have spent weeks writing and learning speeches with Mrs Roberts regarding 'A Significant Person in History'. They presented their speeches in front an audience of school staff/governors and trustees. They were all absolutely amazing and should be extremely proud of themselves.

It was lovely to see so many of you during our **parent consultations** on Wednesday evening. If you were unable to attend but would like a meeting please contact us via the school office.

To celebrate **World Book Day** children were invited to dress up today as a character from their favourite book and you did not let us down. We loved seeing all the outfits and hearing about their favourite books.

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**

**\*\*Lunchtime Company News\*\* Pupil paid meals will increase to £2.60 per meal from 1st April 2024.**

**STARS:** Isaac.C yr1, Leo yr3 & Star yr6  
**KINDNESS:** Bella yrR, Ivy.O yr3 & Alfie yr5  
**HANDWRITING:** Mabel yr1, Ivy.H yr2 & Aaron yr6  
**PHSE - being physically active:** All class 1, Zoe yr2, Leo & Evan yr3, Rosie.M Yr4, Bluebell, Ebony, Aaron & Star yr6  
**GOLDEN BROOM:** Class 2  
**THANK YOU:** Matthew yr1, Zoe yr2 & Aaron yr6



## Attendance

Reception: 98.41%

Year 1: 90.12%

Year 2: 92.06%

Year 3: 94.44%

Year 4: 94.12%

Year 5: 98.15%

Year 6: 90.28%

Whole school: 93.63%

Attendance bear winners: Class 3



## Next week ...

### Monday

- Yrs 2&3 PE day \*wear PE kits\*
- Lunchtime table tennis club

### Tuesday

- Music lessons \*remember instruments\*
- Lunchtime reading club

### Wednesday

- Lunchtime games club

### Thursday

- Music workshop \*music pupils only\*
- Yrs R,1,4-6 PE day \*wear PE kits\*
- NO STARTER BAND PRACTICE
- Football club 3:15pm-4:15pm \*bookings\*

### Friday

- Red Nose day \*non uniform — wear red — donations via ParentPay please\*

**Please check following pages for future diary dates.**

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Years 2&3 River Trip  
1st March 2024



River of Hope Project  
4th March 2024



# World Book Day - Friday 8th March 2024



**World Book Day dress up award winners:**

**Freddie YrR, Hudson Yr1, Edward Yr2, Florence.E Yr3, Rosie.M Yr4, Bethany Yr5 and Kobi**

## Clubs Overview Spring Term 2024

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 TABLE TENNIS CLUB with Mr Overton	26 <sup>th</sup> February to 25 <sup>th</sup> March 12:30pm-12:50pm	All years	Free: No booking necessary
Tuesday	LUNCHTIME READING CLUB with Mr Overton	27 <sup>th</sup> February to 26 <sup>th</sup> March 12:30pm-12:50pm	All years	Free: No booking necessary
Wednesdays	LUNCHTIME GAMES CLUB	28 <sup>th</sup> February to 27 <sup>th</sup> March 12:30pm-12:50pm	All years	Free: No booking necessary
Thursdays	LUNCHTIME TABLE TENNIS CLUB with Aaron	29 <sup>th</sup> February to 21 <sup>st</sup> March 12:30pm-12:50pm	Years 4, 5 & 6	Free: No booking necessary
	FOOTBALL CLUB with Aaron (football boots & shin pads are optional)	29 <sup>th</sup> February to 21 <sup>st</sup> March 3:15pm-4:15pm	All years	£3.50 per session totalling to £14 for 4 weeks Book & pay direct with ICS Coaching by 28 <sup>th</sup> February (link will be sent out via email & posted on Facebook)



- ✓ Yr6 London theatre experience 19/6: Pay second instalment by 31st March.
- ✓ Yrs2&3 swimming 25/4-23/5: Consent on ParentPay by 22nd March.
- ✓ Yr6 Crucial Crew 29/4: Consent on ParentPay by 22nd March.
- ✓ Yrs5&6 Gressenhall 2/7: 2nd payment due by 30th April.

### Diary Dates

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

<b>Monday 18th March</b>	<b>Year R visit Clenchwarton for fire service workshop</b>
<b>Tuesday 19th March</b>	<b>Class 2 assembly @ 3pm *parents/carers invited*</b>
<b>Wednesday 20th March</b>	<b>Class 3 Shakespeare Workshop</b>
	<b>Class 1 assembly @ 3pm *parents/carers invited*</b>
<b>Thursday 21st March</b>	<b>Houses of Parliament (JLT Team)</b>
<b>Friday 22nd March</b>	<b>Preloved uniform stall</b>
	<b>Class 3 assembly @ 3pm *parents/carers invited*</b>
<b>Tuesday 26th March</b>	<b>PHSE &amp; homework displays @ 3:15pm</b> <b>*parents/carers invited to drop into classes to view displays*</b>
<b>Thursday 28th March to Friday 12th April</b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED FOR EASTER BREAK</b>

# RED NOSE DAY

## Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Pupils may come to school in non uniform wearing red. Donations can be made on ParentPay.

**Thank you for supporting this great cause.**

### Parent Governor Vacancy



We are pleased to let you know we currently have a **Parent Governor vacancy**. The Governors of Walpole Cross Keys Primary School hold regular **meetings** in which they discuss and make decisions concerning the curriculum, school policies and many other issues that directly affect the well-being of the children at the school. Being a school Governor involves having a **privileged insight** into the running of the school and any prospective Governor must understand the need for **confidentiality**. The Governing Body will also expect that any new Governor would be willing to attend a **short training course**.

Please consider whether you might make a good Governor and if you are interested in applying please email or call the school office for an **application form**. Should there be more applicants than spaces available, an election will be held.

**Closing date extended: Friday 19th April 2024**



# LUNCHTIME CO.®

Commencing: 13th Nov, 4th Dec, 1st Jan, 22nd Jan, 12th Feb, 11th March

Week 3

Monday

Tuesday

STREET FEAST  
WEDNESDAY

Thursday

Friday

Main Meal

Italian Meatballs in a Rich Tomato Sauce served with Penne Pasta, Peas & Sweetcorn  
(G) (W) (MK) (SO) (MU)

Tasty Beef & Cheese Burrito served with Whole Grain Rice, Tomato & Cucumber Salsa  
(G) (W) (MK)

Homemade Wholemeal Meat Pizza served with Herb Sautéed Potato and Seasonal Vegetables or Fresh Salad  
(G) (W) (E) (SO) (MK)

Roast Chicken served with Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Cabbage, Stuffing Ball and Gravy  
(G) (W)

Fish Fingers served with Chips, Garden Peas or Baked Beans  
(G) (W) (F)

Meat Free

Vegan Meatballs in a Rich Tomato Sauce served with Penne Pasta, Peas & Sweetcorn  
(G) (W) (MK) (SO) (MU)

Tasty Quorn Mince & Cheese Burrito served with Whole Grain Rice, Tomato & Cucumber Salsa  
(G) (W) (B) (E) (MK)

Homemade Wholemeal Margherita Pizza served with Herb Sautéed Potato and Baked Beans or Fresh Salad  
(G) (W) (E) (SO) (MK)

Roast Broccoli, Cauliflower & Lentil Bake, served with Crusty Bread  
(G) (W) (MK)

Vegetable Nuggets served with Chips, Garden Peas or Baked Beans  
(G) (W)

Pasta and Jackets

Jacket Potato with Choice of Toppings served with Fresh Salad  
(MK) (F) (E)

Pasta Twists with Homemade Tomato and Vegetable Sauce served with Fresh Salad and Chunky Bread  
(G) (W) (MK) (SO) (MU)

Jacket Potato with Choice of Toppings served with Fresh Salad  
(MK) (F) (E)

Pasta Twists with Cheddar Cheese Sauce served with Fresh Salad and Chunky Bread  
(G) (W) (MK) (SO) (MU)

Jacket Potato with Choice of Toppings served with Fresh Salad  
(MK) (F) (E)

Lunchtime Lunchbox

Cheese Sandwich Tortilla Chips Salad Sticks Choose one of our Fabulous Desserts  
(G) (W) (B) (SO) (MK) (SE)

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

Tuna Mayo Sandwich Tortilla Chips Salad Sticks Choose one of our Fabulous Desserts  
(G) (W) (B) (F) (E) (SO) (SE)

Ham Sandwich Cheese Straw Salad Sticks Choose one of our Fabulous Desserts  
(G) (W) (B) (E) (MK) (SO) (SE)

Cheese Sandwich Tortilla Chips Salad Sticks Choose one of our Fabulous Desserts  
(G) (W) (B) (SO) (MK) (SE)

Desserts

Chocolate Brownie Fresh Fruit Pot  
(G) (W) (E)

Strawberry Muffin Fresh Fruit Pot  
(G) (W) (E) (MK)

Apple & Berry Crumble Fresh Fruit Pot  
(G) (W)

Vanilla Crunch Fresh Fruit Pot  
(G) (W) (E) (MK)

St Clements Shortbread Fresh Fruit Pot  
(G) (W)

Making lunchtime the highlight of your day



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

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 & Educators Need to Know about TEKKEN 8

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Thirty years after its debut on the original PlayStation, the Tekken franchise is back with its eighth mainstream instalment. A one-on-one fighting game series in the same vein as Street Fighter and Mortal Kombat, Tekken 8 can be commended for its relative lack of in-game purchases – but there's still plenty to consider in keeping young players safe from potential hazards.



## FUTURE SPENDING?

Tekken 8 carries a PEGI 16 rating, with the assessors noting its violence, occasional profanity and in-game purchase options. The latter issue, however, is a little different to what you may expect from a modern game: unlike many high-profile releases, Tekken 8's content is all accessible without spending any extra money. The exceptions are new characters, which will become available to purchase separately in the future.

## COPYCAT RISK

With characters flying across the screen using a mixture of authentic and fantastical fighting styles, younger children and impressionable teens may find themselves tempted to copy their favourite characters or act out their epic fights in real life. This could simply amount to harmless fun – but could also easily lead to accidents, injury and distress if young gamers start actually landing blows.

## VIOLENT GAMEPLAY

As a fighting game, Tekken 8's gameplay is heavily based on punching, kicking and throwing opponents around – while some characters' attacks occasionally involve weapons. Most of the violence is comparatively cartoonish in its execution and lacking in gore, but the fact remains that the action still revolves entirely around intense combat and inflicting damage on an opponent.

## FAMILY CONFLICT

Tekken 8's story mode, 'The Dark Awakens', focuses on two of the series' most important characters – Kazuya and Jin, a father and son who have been warring for years. The sight of two family members physically fighting each other may be hard to understand (and difficult to deal with) for some children – causing confusion and concern over why relatives would want to hurt one another.

## RANKED ONLINE PLAY

Tekken 8 features an array of online modes – most notably its 'Ranked' section, where players battle to reach the top spot of a worldwide leaderboard. Many players will dedicate significant amounts of time to practising and – while the challenge can be fun – some of these matches can get extremely competitive. Children could become obsessed with climbing the rankings and dedicate an unhealthy amount of time to the game or grow angry if they wind up on a losing streak.

## ONLINE CONTACT

Tekken 8 doesn't offer voice chat by default, but a player's platform ID is visible (such as their PlayStation Network ID, Steam account or Xbox gamertag). Rival players can, therefore, reach out via messages if they wish. Given the game's fiercely competitive nature, these communications can potentially put children at risk of online abuse if their opponent is a particularly sore loser.

## Advice for Parents & Educators

### TRY IT OUT YOURSELF

As with many popular games, we'd recommend checking it out for yourself in advance if you have any concerns. In the case of Tekken 8, there's a free demo version available (for all platforms) which lets you experience fights with a handful of the characters: a useful way of establishing first-hand whether some children might find the game's violence to be too intense.

### MARTIAL ARTS MOTIVATION?

With characters utilising real-world fighting styles such as jiu-jitsu, boxing and kickboxing, Tekken could represent an opportunity to channel a child's fondness for the game into a beneficial interest in real-world martial arts. Classes can help to build young people's confidence and physical fitness, as well as providing avenues for making new friends.

### EXERCISE YOUR JUDGEMENT

While Tekken 8 features a sort of 'spray' impact effect when attacks land, it's not the kind of game that most observers would describe as gory (unlike, for instance, the Mortal Kombat franchise). Of course, any fighting game worthy of the name will include a significant degree of violence – but the level at which the battles in Tekken are pitched may not be an issue for some children.

### CONTROL COMMUNICATIONS

If a child plays Tekken online with anyone apart from their friends, then parents and carers could consider restricting communications – such as shutting off the facility to be messaged by other players (although the child's profile name will still be displayed) – to reduce the chance of contact from strangers. This can be done via the console's account settings or through the child's Steam account (if playing on PC).

### Meet Our Expert

Editor in Chief of gaming and esports site GGRecon, Lloyd Coombes has worked in the games media industry for five years. He's played every Tekken title since the series began and, as a parent, also values the importance of online safety. Writing mainly about tech and fitness, his articles have been published on influential sites including IGN and TechRadar.



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PRESENTS

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SATURDAY 23 MARCH 2024

10:30 – Norwich Cathedral

11:30 – Chantry Place

13:00 – Norfolk and Norwich Hospital



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