

Walpole Cross Keys Primary School

Weekly Newsletter – 13th June 2025



Hello everyone,

The EYFS children had a great time at the Sea Life Centre on Wednesday exploring all the different creatures.

On Thursday the finalists, Leon, Lilley & Max visited Cambridge for the Arts Byte celebration. Well done to you all.

Group Class photos took place today. More details will follow.

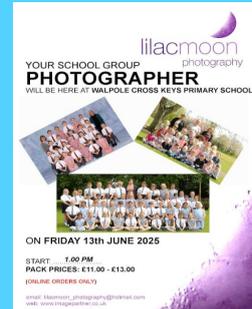
On Tuesday 17th June we will be celebrating the King's Birthday with a special lunch. No alternatives available on this day. Booking is via your MCAS account by midnight on Saturday.

We are still seeking members for our PTA. If you are interested, please speak to Mr Overton as soon as possible. Thank you for all your support.

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: 95%

Class 2: 96%

Class 3: 95%

Congratulations to Class 2!

Whole school: 95.1%



Weekending—13.06.2025

Stars:

All of Year 1 (Class 1), Lucas, Mabel Hudson & Millie, (Class 2) & Evan (Class 3)

Kindness:

Rosie (Class 1), Isaac (Class 2) & Max (Class 3)

Handwriting:

Freddie (Class 1), Brody (Class 2) & Sno-Keanu (Class 3)

THANK YOU card winners:

(Class 1), (Class 2) & (Class 3)

Golden Broom: Class 2



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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 2024/25 & 2025/26 can be located from the school's website. School holiday dates are slightly different to NCC.

Monday 16th June 2025	Spelling Bee Competition—Finals. Consent via MCAS
Tuesday 17th June 2025	Special Lunch—King's Birthday. No alternatives available on this day.
	
Wednesday 18th June 2025	Class 2—Swaffham Museum. Consent and payment via MCAS.
Thursday 19th June 2025	Soroptimists Public Speaking Competition—The College of West Anglia—Selected.
Monday 23rd June 2025	EYFS/Year 1—West Lynn for Little City workshop. Consent and payment via MCAS. SSP-Quadkids (Year 5 & Year 6) @ Lynnsport. Consent via MCAS.
Wednesday 25th June 2025	Year 6—Theatre Experience in London—Wicked. Consent and payment via MCAS.
Friday 27th June 2025	Top Link Festival (EYFS, Year 1 & Year 2) @ St Clements High School. More details to follow.
Monday 30th June 2025	Area Sports (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6) @ St Clements High School. More details to follow.
Tuesday 1st July 2025	EYFS—Puppet Show @ West Lynn.
Wednesday 2nd July 2025 & Thursday 3rd July 2025	Bikeability—Level 1 & Level 2—Year 5 & Year 6.
Thursday 3rd July 2025	Move Up Day. Year 6—Transition Day @ St Clements High School.
Friday 4th July 2025	Apprentice Day—Year 2 to Year 6. Parents/carers invited at 3.15pm for the Sky Arts showcase to see what the children have been learning. Details on Class Dojo.
Monday 7th July 2025	Active Kids Festival (Year 1 & Year 2) @ Lynnsport. More details to follow.
Tuesday 8th July 2025	Year 5—Opportunity Day at St Clements High School.
Wednesday 9th July 2025	Brilliant Club Graduation
Friday 11th July 2025	Class 3—Farm Trip—Consent via MCAS.
Sunday 13th to Wednesday 16th July 2025	Year 6—Residential—Hilltop. Payment and consent via MCAS.
Monday 14th July 2025	MITI Workshop @ Springwood High School.
Thursday 17th July 2025	WNAT Outdoor Summer Concert @ Springwood High School —Class 3—Permission slip to be returned to the school office.
Monday 21st July 2025	Whole School—Mad Science workshop. Dance Festival @ Springwood High School—Class 3
Tuesday 22nd July 2025	Yr 6 Leavers Assembly—TBC School breaks up at the usual time for the summer holiday.
Wednesday 3rd September 2025	School opens—Prompt registration at 8.45am.

EYFS Sea Life Centre



Art Bytes Celebration



CLUBS

Clubs Overview Summer 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	Year Group	Cost
Monday	LUNCHTIME - READING CLUB -Ms Calaby/Mr Overton	2nd June – 7th July 12.30pm - 12.50pm	All years	Free: No booking necessary
Tuesday	LUNCHTIME TIMES TABLE/READING CLUB with Mr Overton	3rd June – 8th July 12.30pm - 12.50pm	All years	Free: No booking necessary
Wednesdays	LUNCHTIME TIMES TABLE CLUB WITH Mr Overton	4th June – 9th July 12.30pm - 12.50pm	All years	Free: No booking necessary
Thursdays	LUNCHTIME TABLE TENNIS CLUB with Aaron	5th June – 17th July 12:30pm-12:50pm	Years 4, 5 & 6	Free: No booking necessary
	FOOTBALL CLUB with Aaron (football boots & shin pads are optional)	5th June to 17th July 2025 3:15pm-4:15pm	All years	£4.00 per session totalling to £28.00 for 7 weeks Book & pay direct with ICS Coaching by 1st June Please click on the link to book https://icscoaching.pembee.app/



Term Dates 2024-2025 – 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 2 September, Tuesday 3 September, Monday 6 January and Tuesday 22 April as whole training days.
 Friday 25 October 2024 is disaggregated.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about GENERATIVE AI SAFETY

Generative AI tools – such as ChatGPT – are now commonly used by children. In fact, 3 in 4 pupils in the 2024 Annual Literacy Survey reported using generative AI, up from just 2 in 5 the previous year. While these tools can boost learning and creativity, they also raise concerns around misinformation, privacy and overuse. This guide explores the key risks and how to support safe use.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

MISINFORMATION AND ACCURACY



Generative AI can sometimes produce false or misleading content. Children – and even adults – may assume the information is accurate and trustworthy. This can affect learning and understanding of important topics. It's vital to teach children to critically assess all information, even when it comes from AI.

EXPOSURE TO INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Because generative AI is trained on vast datasets from across the internet, there is a chance it may occasionally generate harmful or inappropriate content. Without supervision, children could encounter disturbing or unsuitable material. Active monitoring and clear usage boundaries can help reduce this risk.

PRIVACY AND DATA SECURITY

Some AI tools ask for personal details or store users' interactions. If privacy settings are not correctly configured, children's personal data could be exposed or misused. Teaching good digital hygiene and setting strong privacy controls is essential for protecting children online.

REDUCED CRITICAL THINKING



Relying too heavily on AI-generated responses may reduce children's willingness to think independently. If they consistently use AI to solve problems or complete tasks, it could impact their ability to reason, analyse and form their own ideas. Encouraging thoughtful reflection is key.

DIGITAL DEPENDENCY



Regular use of generative AI can contribute to increased screen time and less real-world interaction. If left unmanaged, it may affect physical activity levels, sleep, and social development. Striking a healthy balance between online and offline activities is important for wellbeing.

UNCLEAR ETHICAL BOUNDARIES



Children may not fully understand the ethical implications of using AI to complete homework or creative tasks. This can lead to unintentional plagiarism or dishonest academic practices. Conversations around responsible use and academic honesty are crucial.

IDEAS

Advice for Parents & Educators

ESTABLISH CLEAR GUIDELINES

Set clear, age-appropriate rules for when and how generative AI can be used. Reinforce these regularly to help children develop a healthy, respectful and informed relationship with the technology.



ENCOURAGE CRITICAL EVALUATION

Help children to question the accuracy of AI-generated information and seek out additional trusted sources. This builds essential digital literacy skills and supports better decision-making.



PROMOTE ACTIVE SUPERVISION

Keep an eye on how the children in your care use AI tools. Check in regularly to ensure they're using them appropriately and be ready to step in if something doesn't feel right.



ENHANCE PRIVACY AWARENESS

Talk to children about the importance of keeping personal information private. Make sure privacy settings are in place and explain how data shared with AI tools could be used.



Meet Our Expert

Brendan O'Keefe, Deputy Headmaster and Director of Digital Strategy at Eaton House Schools, has extensive expertise in digital safety, safeguarding, and generative AI in education. As an author and speaker on digital literacy and online safety for institutions such as The National College, Brendan guides parents and educators in creating safe digital learning environments.



COMMUNITY NEWS



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ST. GEORGE'S GUILDHALL
EST. 1406

FREE VISIT!

SEE THE HISTORY BENEATH YOUR FEET!

Visit The St. George's Guildhall Medieval Floor

For a limited time only, the entire medieval floor at St. George's Guildhall will be open to the public. This once-in-a-lifetime opportunity comes before the floor is covered and preserved for future generations. Every Wednesday in June and July, schools can view the floor and join a workshop on archaeological skills and medieval artefacts, tailored to any key stage.

Workshop times:
9.30 – 11.30 or 12.30 – 14.30

To book email jane.hamilton@west-norfolk.gov.uk
 We look forward to welcoming you!

Dr Jonathan Clark, the archaeologist leading the project (left) and creative director Tim Fitzhugh pictured with the encased floorboards. Photograph: Zephary Cobby/BNPS

Play on - every story we will tell #playonstgeorges

ALIVE WATER SAFETY ALIVE OASIS

FREE!

Children aged 8 - 15 yrs will learn to:

Tread Water

Float to Live

Swim In Clothing

Falling in Safety

Help & Huddle

Saturday 21 June
 10am-10.30am & 10.30am-11am
 Scan the QR code to book or call us on 01485 534227

ST. GEORGE'S GUILDHALL
Summer Holiday Family Fun Sessions

Enjoy storytelling, games, crafts and drama this summer as we bring our swashbuckling activities to a venue near you!

Inspired by Treasure Island

Tuesday 29th July 2025
South Lynn Community Centre

Thursday 31st July 2025
Methwold Hall Complex

Tuesday 5th August 2025
Gaywood Community Centre

Thursday 7th August 2025
Downham Market Jubilee Community Centre

Inspired by Robinson Crusoe

Tuesday 12th August 2025
Walpole Community Centre

Thursday 14th August 2025
Hunstanton Community Centre

Tuesday 19th August 2025
Dersingham Village Centre

Thursday 21st August 2025
North Lynn Discovery Centre

11am – 12.15pm, Suitable for ages 4-11,
 £2 per child, accompanying adults free

Booking is essential via www.stgeorgesguildhall.com

Tapping House
 Lifting well, doing well, never alone

Bottle Collection

We need your bottle donations to help our fundraising at the Sandringham Flower Show with our Bottle Tombola!

✓ Alcohol

✓ Sauces

✓ Squash

✓ Toiletries

Anything that comes in a bottle welcome

Out of the box thinking encouraged

Please ensure bottles are sealed and in date

Please donate bottles at Tapping House or our charity shops.
 Call the fundraising office for large collections

www.tappinghouse.org.uk Tapping House 01485 601700
 Fundraising Office 01485 601701 fundraisingteam@tappinghouse.org.uk
 Registered Charity No. 1062800 Registered Company No. 3185605

SAFEGUARDING

Safeguarding children is the action we take to promote the welfare of children and protect them from harm. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. Every single person who comes into contact with children and families has a role to play. At our school we have a designated safeguarding team who are trained professionals in safeguarding, however all our staff are trained in safeguarding if you want to discuss any concerns with them.

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.



Mrs Maddison



Mr Overton



Miss Calaby



Mrs Jones



Mrs Preston