

Walpole Cross Keys Primary School

Weekly Newsletter – 20th June 2025



Hello everyone,

Well done to Edward, Florence and Rosie who took part with the Spelling Bee Competition on Monday. We are very proud of you all.

Class 2 visited the Swaffham Museum on Wednesday and had a great day learning about different artefacts.

Eli, Ella & Lottie gave a great speech at the Soroptimists Public Speaking event on Thursday.

Class photo proofs have now been emailed to you. To order please go online or use the QR code and reference number from the photo. The deadline in which to place an order is **Midnight on Thursday 3rd July**. Please order within this period otherwise the £5.50 postage charges for Home Delivery will apply.

POLITE REMINDER REGARDING PARKING OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL – Could you please ensure that you are respectful of the residents and do not park across any driveways as access is required. Please park sensibly.

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: 80%

Class 2: 94%

Class 3: 98%

Congratulations to Class 3!

Whole school: 93.5%



Weekending—20.06.2025

Stars:

Nova (Class 1), Sydney (Class 2) & Eli (Class 3)

Kindness:

Bella (Class 1), Jacob (Class 2) & Bethany (Class 3)

Handwriting:

Ted (Class 1), Hudson (Class 2) & Leo (Class 3)

THANK YOU card winners:

Emile (Class 1), Mabel (Class 2) & Taylor (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

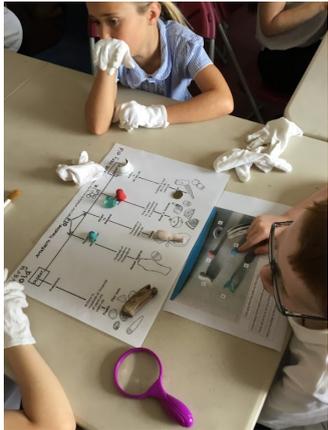
Diary dates are also located on the school website. Please note that the West Norfolk Academies Trust school calendar for 2024/25 & 2025/26 can be located from the school's website. School holiday dates are slightly different to NCC.

Monday 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.
Friday 27th June 2025	Top Link Festival (EYFS, Year 1 & Year 2) @ St Clements High School. Consent via MCAS.
Monday 30th June 2025	Area Sports (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6) @ St Clements High School.
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. Deadline for ordering online Class photos with Lilacmoon.
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. Consent via MCAS.
Tuesday 8th July 2025	Year 5—Opportunity Day at St Clements High School. Consent via MCAS.
Wednesday 9th July 2025	Brilliant Club Graduation
Friday 11th July 2025	Class 3—Farm Trip—Payment and 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.

Spelling Bee



Class 2—Swaffham Museum



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 YOUTUBE KIDS



WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

As its name suggests, YouTube Kids is a child-friendly version of Google's online video-sharing platform. Its colourful user interface is designed with young people in mind, and it offers a curated, family-friendly experience with features like age-based content settings and parental controls.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT BYPASSING FILTERS



YouTube Kids is less likely to show inappropriate material than YouTube, but there have been reports of the app showing age-inappropriate content to young viewers. One investigation found that YouTube Kids had shown videos that promote skin bleaching, weight loss, drug culture and firearms to children as young as two, as inappropriate content had bypassed the platform's algorithms and human moderators.

BE WARY OF ADVERTISING



Like Google's regular YouTube app, YouTube Kids features pervasive advertising before a video plays. While these adverts are designed to be family friendly and are subject to a strict review process, it's worth noting that YouTube Kids collects information around children's viewing to inform targeted content and advertisements.

DESIGNED TO BE ADDICTIVE

YouTube Kids is designed to be addictive. The platform's design features, such as the constant stream of new videos and the reward system of points or virtual stickers, can be very engaging and make it difficult for children to switch off. Research has shown that spending too much time using digital services such as YouTube can lead to screen addiction, affecting children's daily routines, studies, and even their social lives.

SETTINGS CAN BE CIRCUMVENTED



YouTube Kids offers built-in parental controls, enabling you to set screen time limits and curate the content children are able to view; however, children are often more tech-savvy than we think. They can easily bypass or tweak these settings if they have access to the associated Google account password, thereby exposing themselves to age-inappropriate and potentially dangerous content.

AI-GENERATED MISINFORMATION



There is also a risk of children accessing videos that contain disinformation and misinformation. A BBC investigation found that some YouTube channels are using artificial intelligence (AI) technology to create misleading 'scientific' videos that are recommended to children as educational content. These videos included conspiracy theories and ideas that lack scientific backing.

DATA COLLECTION RISK



While there are limits on the data that YouTube can collect on children under 13, children can still inadvertently give away sensitive information when using YouTube Kids. The platform collects data on children's viewing habits, content searches and location, which YouTube and third-party advertisers can use.

Advice for Parents & Educators

PARENTAL CONTROLS

YouTube Kids offers several settings that allow you to manage what content children can view. For example, you can choose what level of content you want them to access, such as 'Preschool' or 'Younger'. You can also turn off the search function, so that only those videos approved by the YouTube Kids team themselves will appear on a child's recommendations list.



SET TIME LIMITS

The built-in parental controls let you keep a tab on how long children spend watching videos. You can set a timer that limits screen time and disables the YouTube Kids app once a specified length of time has been reached. It's also worth speaking to children about the dangers of spending too much time on YouTube, to ensure they remain focused on other, more important activities.



CHECK WATCH HISTORY

YouTube Kids has made it easy for you to keep an eye on what the children in your care have been watching on the app. By clicking on the 'Recommended' icon at the top right of the home screen, you can see which videos they've been viewing, and how much of each. If a child watches YouTube Kids while signed into a Google account, you can check their history through Google's 'My Activity' page.



WATCH TOGETHER

It's important that you try to make YouTube Kids a fun and positive experience for children. One way to do this is by introducing watching sessions, where you all gather around and share the most enjoyable videos that you have recently watched. This can be a great way of giving you both new things to talk about and of keeping an eye on what they're watching.



Meet Our Expert

Carly Page is an experienced journalist with more than 10 years of experience covering the technology industry. Previously a senior cybersecurity reporter at TechCrunch, Carly is now a freelance journalist, editor, and copywriter. Her bylines include Forbes, TechRadar, Tes, The INQUIRER, The Metro, Uswitch, and WIRED.



Source: See full reference list on guide page at: <https://nationalcollege.com/guides/youtube-kids-2025>

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

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Tread Water

Children aged 8 - 15 yrs will learn to:

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

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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

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 Fundraising Office 01485 601701 fundraisingteam@tappinghouse.org.uk

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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