



Wardley CE Primary School

'With God's love we enjoy and excel'

Newsletter

Spring Term Dates

January

03.01.24: Back to school on Wednesday 3rd January.

05.01.24: Class curriculum leaflets published.

15.01.24: Y4 class visit to Quarry Bank Mill.

February

05.02.24: Children's mental Health week celebrated in school this week.

06.02.24: Nursery class visit Swinton library.

06.02.24: Safer Internet Day in school.

12.02.24: Mid-term tests for the infant and junior children.

16.02.24: Ambition Day in school.

16.02.24: School closes for the half-term holiday.

26.02.24: School starts again after the half-term holiday.

March

01.03.24: Class curriculum leaflets published.

04.03.24: Y4 class visit to the River Mersey.

07.03.24: World Book Day celebrated in school.

11.03.24: British Science Week celebrated in school this week.

12.03.24: Y6 class visit to Crucial Crew.

14.03.24: International Maths Day celebrated in school.

15.03.24: Red Nose Day celebrated in school – non-uniform day.

18.03.24: Parents' evening from 3.20 – 6pm.

20.03.24: B-Tales Easter drama for the KS2 junior classes.

25.03.24: Parents' evening from 3.20 – 6pm.

25.03.24: Community Easter cards brought into school.

26.03.24: Nursery class Easter songs – 2.40pm.

27.03.24: Reception class Easter songs – 2.40pm.

28.03.24: Y1 class Easter songs – 2.40pm.

28.03.24: Easter Service at All Saints Church at 10am: TBC.

29.03.24: School breaks up for the Easter holiday.

April 22.04.24: School starts again after the Easter holiday.

15.12.2023

It has been a wonderful build up to Christmas in school. Last week, the children were all fantastic in their wonderful Christmas shows. They have had lots of festive fun this week with their Christmas parties and we finished on a high today with our annual pantomime. This year it was Sleeping Beauty and the children all had a great time watching it. We would like to say a big thank you for all your support for our Christmas events and the raffle this year. We really do appreciate everything that you do to help the children and the school throughout the year. We would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from everyone at Wardley. We will be back in school on Wednesday 3rd January 2024 for what I am sure will be another very successful and productive year!

In the classroom this week

We have had a very busy week – as well as all the Christmas shows and parties the classes have all been hard at work on their design technology projects. The children have produced some wonderful work. It has been a delight to see the things that they have made and the fun that they have had making them. Ensuring that the children have the opportunity to enjoy and thrive in all the subject areas, receiving carefully planned and well taught lessons, is something that is vitally important to our school.

Weekly updates.... Attendance Prize Draws

Today we had a special prize draw for all the children with 96% or better attendance over the term with a £20 toy voucher as one prize and a £50 family food voucher as another. We also had a special, 'Ten Days of Christmas' prize draw for those children with 100% attendance over the last two weeks of term. This had two £20 Vue Cinema vouchers as its prizes. To mark the start of the new term in January we will have another special prize draw for all those children with a 100% attendance over the first three days back!

Attendance

Good attendance at school is not just valuable, it is essential. All parents want the best for their children and for them to get on well in life. Having a good education is important to ensure that they have the best opportunities in their adult life. They only get one chance at school, and your child's future may be affected by not attending school regularly. Good attendance is directly linked to improved academic performance which should in turn lead to better job prospects. As well as this, going to school helps to develop the children's friendships, social & life skills.

Parents are responsible for making sure their children receive full-time education. Parents are legally responsible for making sure that children go to school. If your child does not go to school, you could get fined or prosecuted.

Setting good attendance patterns from an early age, from nursery through primary school will also help your child later on in their life. Children who have a poor school attendance record may have less chance of securing a job when they are adults. Being on time is also vital. Arriving late at school can be very disruptive for your child, their teacher and the other children in the class.

If your child is at school for only 90 per cent of the school year then they will have missed 19 days - almost four whole weeks of school. For primary-age children, this can mean almost 120 guided learning hours. This is a big gap for any child to make up. For any children whose attendance falls under 90%, we will be asking for medical proof in order to authorise any absence due to illness. Without satisfactory medical proof, the absence will be unauthorised.

The school's attendance policy also clearly sets out that no absence for term time holidays will be authorised. This means that if children are missing school due to a term time holiday, it will be recorded as unauthorised absence.

As a result of unauthorised absence, you may be referred to the Local Authority for the consideration of a Penalty Notice. Under section 444 of the Education Act 1996, the Local Authority may issue Penalty Notices to parents of children with unauthorised absences from school. **The fines are issued to each parent, for each child, and are: £60 if paid within 21 days rising to £120.00 if paid between 21 and 28 days.**

Reminders from the office

- Dinner money due on 3rd January is £6.30, please pay on the School Gateway

Our Christian values and thoughtful time

All Saints Church Carol Service

There will be a Christmas Carol Service at All saints Church on Sunday 17th December at 3pm.