



Werrington Primary School



Newsletter

17th January 2022.



Nursery

All 3 and 4 year olds have a free universal entitlement of 15 hours early education per week, for 38 weeks of the year (term time), which equates to up to 570 hours over a year.

As a governor-run nursery we have one intake of pupils each year, which takes place every September. If you would like your child to **start in our Nursery in September 2022**, please let the school office know as soon as possible.

Mrs. Little – Year 5

I am delighted to inform parents that Mrs. Little is expecting a baby. It is great to have such lovely news and I am sure that you will all join me in wishing Mrs. Little all the best during this exciting time.

Mrs. Little will continue to teach her class until the second half of the summer term. We will be advertising for maternity cover later this term and will let parents know once we have appointed.

Be clear on COVID

The most important symptoms we all need to know!



Admissions Consultation

Now that we are an established Academy we need to move away from the Local Authority Admissions Policy and create our own – Information about the consultation can be found at

<http://www.werringtonprimary.org.uk/consultation-2/>

Dogs in the School grounds

Can I remind parents that dogs are not permitted within the school grounds. Your support with this is much appreciated.



Werrington Connects

We believe that Werrington Primary School is achieving great things but like the children, we always know we can keep learning and improving. We want Werrington to be a true 'community' school where everybody has a 'voice and a choice'.

As a parent / carer you are automatically a part of our community, however, we want to make sure we plan time to hear your voice and listen to your views and opinions. Our next Werrington Connects meeting for parents/carers is at 9am on Wednesday 19th March in the school hall. The meetings will last no longer than an hour and light refreshments will be provided. Unfortunately we cannot provide crèche facilities.

Covid

A huge 'Thank you' to everyone who is helping to keep our school open by wearing masks and by following the one-way system around the school.



Wellbeing Support

At Werrington we are proud to be able to offer a pastoral provision that extends to every aspect of our school community. We have trained staff who can support wellbeing, provide relational care and help children and young people to develop the skills that they need to promote emotional, social and psychological growth and resilience. Anne Marsh is our Mental health and Emotional Wellbeing Lead Practitioner and Sarah Archer is our Mental health and Emotional Wellbeing Mentor.

We can also provide counselling support in school and signpost to other agencies where more specialist provision may be required. This support is available to all our families (children and parents/carers) – Please do speak to Ann Marsh (01782 980010 or a.marsh@werrington.staffs.sch.uk) for more information.

KS2 SATs

Important diary date: The Government have confirmed that Year 6 SATs tests will take place during the week beginning 9th May 2022.
All pupils MUST be in school during this week.

Contact Information

Please ensure that the school office has current, up to date contact details for your child so that we can quickly contact a parent or carer in case of an emergency.

VERY IMPORTANT - Please make sure that all of your child's uniform has their name clearly written on the labels so that we can return any lost uniform to its rightful owners.

Building Works

Contractors will be putting up scaffolding around the boiler house chimney on Tuesday, and then completing some repair work on Wednesday.
Please take care when walking past the boiler house block.

Snow/Adverse Weather

Should we be forced to close the school due to snow, **we will let all parents know via Dojo and via www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Education/Schoolsandcolleges/emergencyclosures.aspx**
Please don't phone the school to ask if we're open or message staff individually via Dojo.

Your child's teacher will set some online learning and will message you with instructions on how to access that learning - from the first day of closure there will be an understanding that many children will want to spend some time playing outside in the snow, and our online learning requirements will reflect that.

Big Garden Bird Watch

Be wowed by your local wildlife. Big Garden Birdwatch is for everyone, whether you're a complete beginner or a birding expert. Simply count the birds you see in your garden, from your balcony or in your local park for one hour between 28 and 30 January 2022. It's a fun (and FREE) activity that you can do with your child at home – Google search 'Big Garden Bird Watch' for more details.

My child has tested positive for COVID-19 – how long do they have to stay away from school for?

All people – including pupils parents and teachers - have to isolate for a minimum of five full days after the day of a positive test before then going back to school if they have tested negative twice.

The first full day of isolation is considered to be the day following the positive test. Following the fifth full day of isolation – on the sixth day - it will be possible for people who have received two negative LFD tests on consecutive days to go back to school.

People who have tested positive can now take two LFD tests on day 5 and day 6, and if both are negative and they do not have a temperature, they can end their self-isolation on day 6 and return to their education setting immediately. If either test is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest

In practice it means that if a child or teacher tests positive on a Saturday, that would be considered day 0. They could then take tests on the morning of Thursday (day 5) and Friday (day 6). If they tested negative on both days and did not have a temperature they would be then able to return to school on the Friday.

Information taken from: <https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2022/01/14/isolation-rules-have-changed-what-does-this-mean-for-families-and-schools/>

Diary Dates

Date	Event
17/1	Reception and Y6 height and weight checks
19/1	Werrington Connects meeting in school 9 a.m.
20/1	Winter Olympics themed menu
2/2	Y4 trip to Chester Zoo
18/2	INSET DAY
	HALF TERM 21/2 – 25/2
28/2	First day back after half term
9/3	Werrington Connects meeting in school. Time TBC
23/3	Mother's Day present stall – details to follow
24/3	Parents' Evening. 3:30 – 7:00
8/4	END OF TERM

All events are also posted on the Events Calendar on the school website which can be found at:
<http://www.werringtonprimary.org.uk/events/>