

Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers

Despite freezing temperatures outside, the warmth of our school community has continued throughout February. Our school motto "Small School Big Dreams, Learning, Caring, Succeeding,... Together" is at the heart of everything we do and during Mental Health Week this was clearly evident as the children spoke confidently about this important subject. We are all very proud of our children and are privileged to support their learning journey throughout Wolviston Primary.

Thank you for your continuous support. Kindest regards, **Mrs Hawes**

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE - JANUARY 2023

Attendance and punctuality are really important. Research shows those children who attend school <u>on time</u> and <u>every</u> day are far more likely to achieve their maximum potential.

Please can I remind all parents that if you take your child out of school to go on holiday their absence is unauthorised and it is common policy across the borough that fines may be issued. For further guidance please read:

Holidays taken in term time

Please remember the gate closes at 8:45am.

Any child arriving after this time will be marked late.

The National Attendance Target is <97%

We monitor statutory attendance and categorise as follows:

Blue - 100% Green - 97% - 99% Amber - 93% - 96% Red - below 93%

Class 1 - YR	91.31
Class 2 - Y1/2	94.90
Class 3 - Y3/4	95.94
Class 4 - Y5/6	96.39
Whole School	94.40



13 children have been in school every day this academic year.

PARKING

Please remember to park considerately. Think of our lovely neighbours, whose access is often blocked by poor parking on The Green's narrow exit roads.

Safe parking is available at The Wellington Public House.

NEW BOOKS: LITTLE PEOPLE BIG DREAMS

With thanks to your very generous support of our Christmas Fayre, we have been able to buy a brand-new series of books for our school library. The books have just arrived and have already created a buzz around school.

The books are autobiographies of well-known people, who, just like our children, were once 'Little People with Big Dreams'. Children have started to take these books home so I'm sure parents and carers will be enjoying sharing the life stories of so many people from around the world.



Little People, BIG DREAMS

Be Bold, Be Brave, DREAM BIG!



LITTLE WOLFIE GOES WALKABOUT!!

Early Years started their 'Into The Woods' topic this month. They were shocked to receive a letter from Little Wolfie their class mascot. He had gone for a walk and found himself lost at a different school.

The children were keen to go and find him; they enjoyed a forest walk up Wolviston Mill Lane and were delighted to find Little Wolfie safe and well at St. Paul's School.

Their experience led into some important conversations about keeping safe and what to do if we get lost, as well as opportunities to make maps and develop geographical vocabulary. Little Wolfie is back, safe and sound in EY.





Thank you to our colleagues at St.Paul's for helping look after Little Wolfie, he has promised not to stray again!

A WARM WELCOME

Earlier this month Wolviston congregation welcomed Rev. David Brooke back to the Team Parish. Rev David has recently returned from a previous post, in Wigan.



Rev David enjoyed his recent visit to school, meeting with children and staff. We look forward to working with him and extending existing links we have with St. Peter's Church.

COMIC RELIEF 2023

This year we will be supporting the national Comic Relief fundraising event on **Friday 17**th **March**. Children will learn of the main aims of Comic Relief which is to help the poorest people in the world and those whose lives have been affected by war.

Further details will be issued closer to the event

INVITATION INTO SCHOOL

Friday 10th March - Classes 3 & 4 at 1.15pm Friday 24th March - Classes 1 & 2 at 1.15pm

VISIT TO CLASSROOMS

All parents and carers are welcome to come into school to find out about what learning has taken place so far this year. By spending time in your child's classroom you will have the opportunity to look through your child's workbooks, and to discuss your child's learning journey.

WELLBEING WORKSHOPS

Bryony, from Alliance, will be presenting to parents and carers, sharing advice how to spot signs and symptoms of anxiety in children. She will also be talking about calming techniques that can be used to help regulate emotions.

We hope you can make it

Refreshments will be served.



PACKED LUNCHES - NO NUTS ALLOWED

We have a number of children who have food allergens.

Parents/carers must NOT include any food items that contains **NUTS**. This includes chocolate spread. Thank you

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to all children celebrating their special day! We hope you have a lovely day with family and friends.



Nursery	Dougie
Class 1	Posy, Heidi
Class 2	Anya, Lydia, Ava
Class 3	Adam, Mabel



Important Dates

TERM DATES

SCHOOL IS CLOSED TO CHILDREN: Friday 17th Feb' '23
Half Term Break: 20th - 24th February 2023
Spring Term 2:2 SCHOOL REOPENS Monday 27th Feb'
World Book Day - Thursday 2nd March

SPOTLIGHT ON...

Very often we are so busy in school with different projects that we sometimes forget to tell parents and carers what staff have been working on. This month, we are happy to share our 'Spotlight On' Internet Safety Day.

If there is an area of the school you would like to hear more about, please just let us know.

SPRING TERM 2:1 - AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

We are very happy to provide wrap around care for all Wolviston Primary pupils. This is a fantastic service which provides structured care and support for your child and is led by qualified staff who know and see your child in school every day.

Booking for next half will open on Friday 17th February at 6pm.

After School Booking Form 2:2



Please complete a separate form for each child, to help with our attendance registers.

Thank you in advance.

We speak to the children to find out what activities they would like to do. Next half term they have chosen some new and exciting clubs to attend.

Monday - Craft Club

Children will complete a number of crafty projects, including making things for Mother's Day and Easter.

Tuesday - Games Club

Together, children will play a number of classic board games including Connect Four, Ludo, Snakes and Ladders, Hungry Hippos and Downfall

Wednesday - Puzzles and Construction

Opportunity to complete a range of jigsaws and use a range of construction resources, to explore a range of construction challenges.

Thursday - Multi-Sports

Children will have the opportunity to work together in a range of team games to learn rules and develop necessary skills.

Friday - Just Dance Disco

Following the Just Dance tutorials, children will learn new dance moves to a range of classic pop tunes. (Miss Dodds and Mrs Henry are very excited!)