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Dear Parents/Carers

Christmas Craft Afternoons

This week our Year 1 parents have joined us for the Year 1 Christmas Craft afternoons. It was great to see these events so well-received. There was a lovely festive atmosphere in the hall, children were thoroughly enjoying having their parents in school to do something creative. The little snowmen produced were delightful and we know that they will be displayed proudly on a windowsill at home.



Music Concert



On Tuesday we had a musical evening where the Year 4 children who have been learning ukulele, Music Makers and some of our Year 5 and 6 guitar groups performed to their parents. It was such a joy to see children confidently playing, especially when the Year 4 children have only been learning the ukulele for the first time this term. We are so grateful for having Mr Beatty on our school team enabling our children to learn an instrument and instil a love of music in our children. We thank him for his commitment and dedication to our school.

NSPCC Assemblies

NSPCC online assemblies were held in Key Stage 1 and 2 classes on Wednesday. These assemblies supported children with their understanding of their own safety and the assemblies supported our Protective Behaviours curriculum. Whilst the assemblies dealt with some uncomfortable topics, it is important that children understand what constitutes safe and unsafe behaviours. The children showed maturity and interest in these assemblies.



Christmas Service at St Margaret's Church



On Tuesday Key Stage 1 and 2 visited St Margaret's Church for our annual Christmas service. This service is important at this time of year to help children understand the true origin of the Christmas celebrations and why this is important to Christians. The children enjoyed the walk, singing carols and listening to the service led by Reverend Ben Cooke. Many children had remembered the content of his service from the year before, and his enthusiastic and engaging story about his Christmas tree this year will no doubt be equally memorable for them. The children were wonderfully well-behaved and respectful.

Parent Governor Election

Next week the Christmas joy continues and we look forward to welcoming Year 3 parents to the performance on Monday and Tuesday, our Christmas lunch on Wednesday, the disco on Thursday and the annual sing along on Friday.



**Happy
Weekend!**

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Donna Ellison - Headteacher



See how many small snowmen you can spot throughout the newsletter.





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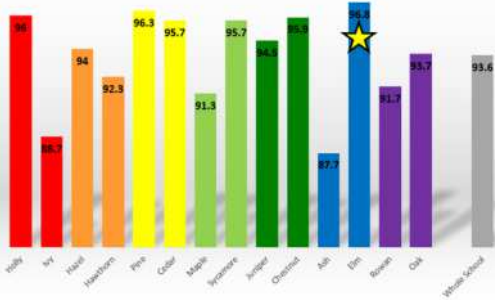
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Attendance

Well Done Elm

Attendance 08-12 December 2025



We want to remind parents and carers of the importance of getting children to school on time, so that they do not miss their learning.

We would also like to remind parents and carers that you need to call the absence line each morning that your child is absent, before 9am with their symptoms or reason for absence. You can also email

admin2324@welearn365.com

Thank you for your co-operation.

Miss Emma Lindon
Attendance Champion



Mrs Miller Says ...

Please note that the deadline for ordering your child's Christmas lunch has now passed. Therefore, you will not be able to order a school dinner on Wednesday 17th December, you will need to provide your child with a packed lunch on this day.

Year 1

A text message has been sent out this week explaining the closure time of the Year 1 side door.

This door will be locked at 9am each morning in line with the rest of the school. Any children arriving after 9am will need to walk round to the front of the school and be signed in by an adult and order their lunch.

Reminder that if your child is late to school for any reason and require a school lunch, this must be emailed or called through to the school office before 9.30am

The Cool Kids Wear Their Coats

As the weather is getting very cold, children **must** have a named coat in school every day, as they will still be going outside for play.



We are a NUT FREE school

As we have several pupils with severe nut allergies, please do not send your child in with ANY nuts, or products containing nuts. **This does include sesame seeds.**

Please clearly label all cardigans, jumpers, PE kit, hoodies and coats.



Merry Christmas from all our classes



Click on the image above to access all the classes Christmas cards.
Here is a small example of their wonderful work!



This Week - KS2 Achievements

Joshua

Maple

Well done on a truly fantastic week, Farah! You've worked incredibly hard in your phonics lessons and had a go at all your small tasks with such brilliant effort. I'm so proud of you — keep up the amazing work!

Chloe

Year 3

Chloe, you are an absolute superstar! You've kicked off Year 3 with amazing energy and brilliance in every area of your learning. Your fabulous personality lights up the classroom, and we LOVE having you in Year 3! Keep shining and keep up the incredible work!

Keady

Maple

Well done on a brilliant week! I am incredibly impressed with your independent learning in reading, writing, and maths. Every day, you have chosen your task thoughtfully and worked hard to complete it on your own. I am so proud of you — keep it up!

Elizabeth-Rose

Sycamore

Elizabeth has really found her spark recently! During our recent trip she was really inspired by learning practically and loved getting very muddy! Back in class, Elizabeth is growing in confidence, showing greater independence and increasingly sharing her thoughts and ideas.

Year 3

Jacob

Sycamore

Jacob has shown real flare in English lessons this week. He has created super sentences with some interesting and creative ideas that will contribute to a great story next week. Great work Jacob! I'm really looking forward to your completed story!

Akshat

Juniper

For fantastic effort in the classroom in all lessons. He always tries his best and has good learning behaviours. He is happy to listen to others and share his ideas in the classroom. He has really made an effort to improve his focus in the classroom this year and it's paying off. Well done Akshat! Keep it up!

Year 4

Harper

Juniper

For fantastic work practicing and learning her times tables this half term. She set herself the challenge to learn them since coming back from half term and you can really tell that she has tried her best and practised as often as she can. Well done for your hard work Harper. Keep it up!

Eliza-Rose

Chestnut

Eliza, you are showing such a positive attitude, and growing commitment to your learning. You have shown increased focus, resilience, and responsibility, and we are incredibly proud of the progress you have made. Keep believing in yourself — your effort is making a real difference!

Year 4

Razin

Chestnut

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This Week - KS2 Achievements

Daisy

Ash

Year 5

Rohan

Ash

Well done Daisy, you are such a star. You are a role model to others around you and work hard in every lesson. A special well done for your hard work in English. You have been working hard to focus in on the task and you are doing your best to meet the objectives. Keep it up!



Well done Rohan, you are such a hard worker. You always approach a task with confidence and determination. You have produced excellent work in maths and even challenge me on a day-to-day basis. Keep up all of the hard work.

Prajna

Elm

Year 5

Advik

Elm

For her fantastic leadership skills during our school council assembly. She spoke incredibly confidently and supported her peers with discussions, checking in with groups and working her way around the room. It was a joy to see you be such a super leader!

For always doing his very best across every subject. He always impresses me with his fantastic vocabulary but he still always wants to learn and develop further. More recently, he has supported his peers really successfully, helping them to achieve their best too.

Rufus

Oak

Year 6

Salwa

Oak

Rufus produced a fantastic non-chronological report on anti-bullying. He thought hard about his subordinate clauses and ensured he chose that best vocabulary possible. His writing is a joy to read and I am proud of his hard work. Well done Rufus!

Salwa always puts her best efforts into absolutely every lesson. She is making good progress in class and is now extending this to her home learning where Salwa is working hard on Times Tables Rock Stars and taking home worksheets to go over lessons each day. Mr Upton has also commented on how hard Salwa has been working in his group sessions and I can't wait to see how far she can go!

Emeli

Rowan

Year 6

Tyler

Rowan

Emeli has been working so hard in Maths over the past two weeks. She has been applying her knowledge of scale factors to the independent tasks and has been extremely successful! I love to see Emeli so proud of her work and the progress she is making. Keep up the hard work Emeli!

Tyler is such a kind and considerate member of the class. Tyler's confidence has grown so much already this year. He is challenging his learning and experiencing great success in Year 6. Tyler showed such pride when he received his Star Reader score last week. This was lovely to see and I hope he continues to be proud of the progress he is making!





Maths Challenge

The most accurate class	CHESTNUT	
The most active class	JUNIPER	
The most active pupils:	Class	Average minutes per day
Doruk	Chestnut	35:57
Ansh	Juniper	13:00
Salwa	Oak	10:34

20	40	50	60	70	80	90	Bronze	Silver	Platinum	Diamond
Karamo	Waslat	Josie Phoebe Ansh	Sejal	Shivansh Febronia	Tyler	Jessica	Angel	Ahaan Eduard Ela	Irenonsen	Grace

Word Count



Class	Words Read	Total	Quizzes passed this week	Total number of quizzes passed	Weekly Boom Reader Total
Hawthorn	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	32
Hazel	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	38
Cedar	10,201	70,083	20	101	9
Pine	28,876	164,182	4	76	22
Maple	21,679	837,445	13	367	17
Sycamore	56,755	547,633	33	466	13
Chestnut	414,488	1,893,048	62	320	3
Juniper	105,621	731,072	28	266	3
Ash	198,983	2,550,804	21	124	6
Elm	421,053	2,206,186	20	164	11
Rowan	279,773	4,927,483	26	397	14
Oak	268,904	5,661,913	19	304	161
Totals	1,806,333	19,589,849	246	2585	329



Word Count Winners
ELM

Top Quizzes
CHESTNUT

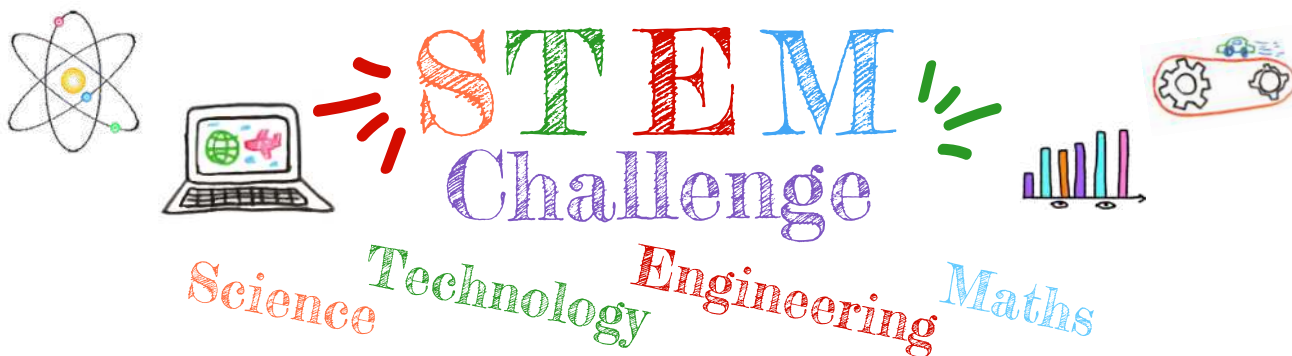
Boomreaders of the week
OAK

We also say congratulations to ELM class, for achieving their 2 million words - a great achievement. Well done!

Well done to John in Rowan class for achieving his Millionaire status - congratulations!

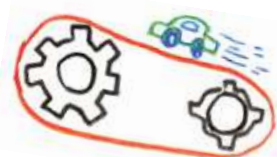
Certificates will be with you shortly.





Do you enjoy solving problems, spotting patterns, experimenting, or creating new things? This week's STEM challenge is designed to get you thinking like a scientist, technologist, engineer or mathematician!

Take on the challenge, test your skills, and have fun exploring the world of STEM. Don't forget to document your work—snap pictures, record your answers and add them to your learning log. You can also email them to the class email address to share your discoveries!



Autumn 2 - 12.12.25

Engineering Challenge



Key Stage 1

Key Stage 2



Ready Aim Fire: Design and Build a Catapult Game

The Challenge: Design and build a catapult using the materials below. Make a target from cardboard or paper or just draw a line on the ground to aim past. Place the target at least 5 feet away from your catapult and see if you can launch your projectile so that it hits the target. Even get your family to join in and make their own catapult and see whose will launch the farthest.

Suggested Materials List

- Paper (for designing and brainstorming)
- 20 rubber bands
- 12 Popsicle sticks
- 1 Ping-Pong ball (if you don't have a ping pong ball you can use squashed up pieces of paper to make a ball. You could fasten them with some rubber bands. Or you could use a marshmallow or a cheerio (just make sure to clean them up afterwards!!).



Build a prototype catapult and test it to see how far and high the projectile travels. If you don't hit the target redesign and try again.

Think about key design goals when designing a catapult? What angle should be used to launch an object the farthest?

For the target you could also create different coloured zones that are worth a different amount of points and see who gets the best score.



Why not upload your STEM home learning challenge to our padlet?
Scan code for access



Sports Activities To Do At Home

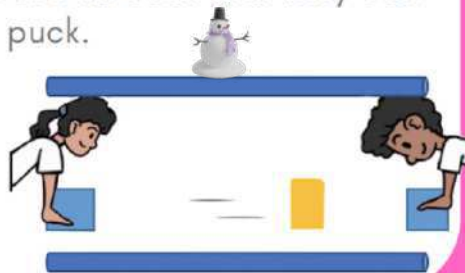
Air Hockey



What you need: Two players, two towels, three tupperware lids.

How to play:

- Use a flat smooth surface.
- Roll the towels up and place them 1m apart to act as the sides of the table.
- Players remain opposite one another at either end of the table.
- One tupperware lid is used as the 'puck'.
- Players have one tupperware lid each that they can use to stop and push the puck.
- Players score points by pushing the puck past their opponent.



First to 15 wins.

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Signed: Gill Burgess

Title: Relationship Manager

Date: December 2025

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Eco-Council News

Last Saturday, Esmé and her Dad went litter picking, as part of Esmé's duty on Eco Council. They collected lots of litter and Esmé was very proud of everything that she did to help the environment. We say a big well done and thank you to Esmé and her family!



Christmas Service at St Margaret's Church



This week, pupils from Year 1 to Year 6 enjoyed their annual visit to St Margaret's Church for a short Christmas service. The children loved singing in the church and learning about why Christmas is important to Christians and why it is such a special time of year. We extend our thanks to Reverend Ben for warmly welcoming us.



Seren and Hatice helped Barnardo's at a pantomime held at Lillington Children and Families Centres recently. They worked really hard in the kitchen, preparing snacks and drinks for the families who attended and cleared up afterwards. They were super friendly to everyone, greeting them and telling them to 'enjoy the show!'. A big well done and thank you to Seren and Hatice



Year 1 Have A Christmas Crafty Afternoon



This week year one enjoyed a parent craft afternoon. We started by sharing a story sack and reading *Squirrels Snowman* by Julia Donaldson. Then everyone made their very own snowman to take home. It was wonderful to see how creative the parents and children were together!





The Whitnash Whirlwinds Racing Team

Whitnash Primary School's Official Racing Team

This week, we have been continuing to work hard to build our race car as well as writing letters to different communities in search of sponsorship, including National Grid, Coventry City Football Club, Asda and more.



Christmas Tombola



Tuesday 16th December 2025

3.15pm

Join us on the playground/Oak classroom to take part in our Christmas tombola!

We are trying to raise money for the Whitnash Whirlwind F1 team so we can buy safety equipment for our driver and mechanics.

To take part in this exciting event, you will need to do two simple steps:

- Be on the playground after school on Tuesday 16th December (or Oak class if it's raining)
- Pay 50p for one ticket and £1 for three tickets to see if you win a prize!

We would greatly appreciate any donations towards the tombola. Any Christmas themed items (as long as they don't contain nuts) would be perfect for our tombola. If you can donate anything, please send it to school with your child and they can give it to their class teacher.



Thank you for your support and see you on 16th December 2025.





The Bicycle Bus

Simon Storey is the organiser of The Bicycle Bus, founding Director of Cycle Infinity CIC and Bicycle Mayor of Warwick District.

Yesterday there was a meeting at Whitnash Primary School to talk about The Bicycle Bus which Simon is looking to set up a route for. Thank you to those who attended, and we discussed sending out a copy of the slide show and a form to fill in (see below).

A Bicycle Bus is a group of families riding to school together along a pre planned route picking up families at planned stops. It is a chance to ride to school in a safe, fun environment.



In a Bicycle Bus parents are asked to ride with their children. Parental feedback has been incredibly positive and parents have shared that their relationships with their children have strengthened because of this!

Simon is hoping that there may be enough interest for a new route from Heathcote Park, Warwick Gates, Mallory Grange and Whitnash, which he is keen to trial.

The Bicycle Bus runs once a week, so you are not expected to ride every single day (unless you want to!), there's no commitment to ride every single week, you join when you can, best of all it's free!!! Most children say that Bicycle Bus day is their favourite day of the week!!



If you would like to join The Bicycle Bus please complete this simple google form forms.gle/smUhKWPooK3rhDjj7 to be included, Simon will then be in touch. If you want find out more information email him at simon@thebicyclebus.co.uk or take a look at the website www.thebicyclebus.co.uk. There is also a WhatsApp group that you will be added to where all the communication happens.

Please click here to see a copy of the slide show.



School Closures



At this time of year, schools begin to make plans for poor weather conditions and the potential of snow. Our number one priority is to keep the school open, but we have to also ensure the safety of all members of our school community. This can sometimes lead to unavoidable school closures whilst the school site is made safe. We may also opt to close due to it being deemed unsafe for staff to journey to school, or if travel delays are likely to impact safe pupil/staff ratios.

In the event of a closure, these are the procedures in place to let parents/carers know:

A text message will be sent to all parents/carers.

The message below will be placed on the website:



Desk Top View



Tablet View



Mobile View

- You can also check on the Warwickshire Council website:

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures

- Check on local radio stations.

In the event of the school being closed due to snow, we encourage children to look at the class pages on the website.

www.whitnashprimaryschool.com/Classes

Here they will find the homework activities that can be completed. MyMaths and Timetable Rockstars also provide ongoing learning for children to access from home.



Children can also read, play, and enjoy the snow!



Little Sips BIG ADVENTURES



Dear parent/guardian,

As you may be aware your child's school has a milk scheme, administered by Cool Milk. Mid-morning milk provides a much-needed nutritional boost and keeps children hydrated between breakfast and lunch. Children receive free milk until the age of 5. After that, they can continue to reap the benefits of fresh mid-morning milk at a subsidised* cost.

If you'd like to opt in and have not already done so, simply register your child at www.coolmilk.com/register. Your child(ren) will continue to receive free milk whilst under the age of 5 and Cool Milk will get in touch with further information by email shortly before their 5th birthday.

For children who are already over 5, it's not too late – our scheme is flexible! As well as being able to register and make payment straight away, you can join and cancel the scheme at any time. We offer yearly, termly and half termly payment periods and a recurring payment option to give you one less thing to remember.

If you already have an online Cool Milk account for a sibling, you can manage your account, make payment and add extra children by logging in at www.coolmilk.com/parents.

Should you have any questions or need any help, send us a message at www.coolmilk.com/contact or give us a call on the number listed below – we're here to help!

Kind regards,

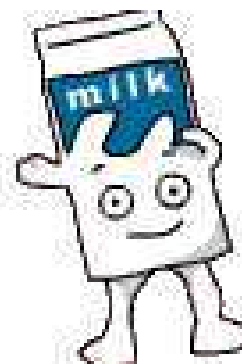
Cool Milk

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SCAN TO REGISTER



*Milk for under-5s is fully funded by DHSC via the Nursery Milk Scheme. Milk for over-5s is subsidised by Defra via the School Milk Scheme.



PE Days

Here are the days allocated to each class for PE.
Please keep checking this list, as it can change, however, you will be notified via the class teacher if this happens.

Please ensure that children wear the correct PE kit, suitable for both indoor and outdoor lessons and playtimes.

White T-shirt with navy/black shorts. Navy/black tracksuit or joggers and sweatshirt/hoodie.

All PE kit should be plain or has the school badge on it. Brand logos are permitted but must be small. Other colours and football shirts may not be worn.

Please ensure that the correct swimming kit is brought into school on your child's allocated swimming day.



Don't forget to put your child's name in their PE kit.

Class	PE Day
Holly & Ivy	Wednesday
Hazel	Wednesday & Thursday
Hawthorn	Wednesday & Friday
Pine	Monday & Friday
Cedar	Monday & Friday
Maple	Monday
Sycamore	Wednesday & Thursday
Juniper	Tuesday & Friday
Chestnut	Tuesday (Swimming) & Friday
Ash	Tuesday & Wednesday
Elm	Tuesday & Wednesday
Oak	Tuesday & Thursday
Rowan	Tuesday & Thursday

Do you qualify for FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

Reasons to apply

Even if your child is currently receiving free school meals because they are in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, you should still apply for benefits-related FSM if you think you may be eligible.



Doing so means that our school will be given extra funding for six years, which can help to fund valuable teaching and learning support for the school.

Applying for benefits-related FSM also means you will be eligible to receive funding for the holiday periods from the Warwickshire Local Welfare Scheme.

You can apply for benefits-related FSM at any time online
warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals

Looking for Flexible Work That Fits Around School Hours? Join Our Team!

Do you enjoy meeting new people and helping children learn? We're looking for friendly, organised individuals to support our Learning and Community Engagement Team in Warwick.

This is a casual role—perfect for parents who want work that can fit around family life.

What you will do:

- Welcome school groups to our three Warwick sites: Market Hall Museum, St John's House, and the County Record Office.
- Make sure teachers have everything they need for their workshops.
- Help set up resources and assist during activities.
- Escort groups to the right places for workshops and lunch.
- Keep rooms tidy after visits.
- Support fun family activities during school holidays and occasional special events like our Haunted House experience.

What we are looking for:

- A warm, welcoming personality.
- Good organisational skills and timekeeping.
A team player who communicates well.
Interest in heritage is a bonus, but not essential.

Join us in helping children and families discover Warwickshire's history and nature!

Apply now and make a difference in your community—on a schedule that works for you.

Pay: £14.62 per hour (includes 12.07% enhancement on top of your basic hourly rate of £13.05 to cover holiday and sick pay).

Please visit the [WM Jobs: Relief Schools and Activities Assistant page](#) for more information or search for 'Relief Schools and Activities Assistant' on WM Jobs (reference: RA0007330)





Children's Clubs and



The following pages are filled with information of things to do, things to see for you and your children in and around Warwickshire.





DISCOUNT

With nativities to rehearse, Christmas fairs to organise, and the end-of-term rush in full swing, we know this is one of the busiest times of the year in school. So here's one thing we can help take off families' plates.

To support your school community during a costly time of year, we're offering parents a 10% discount* on school uniform for the rest of 2025.

Code: 10MYC2025
Valid until: 31.12.2025

[Link to Website](#)

EXCITING MATHS CLUB COMING TO YOUR SCHOOL

Embark on a journey to discover the wonderful world of maths. You'll make fantastic creations, take part in mind-blowing challenges and have some serious fun.

WE LOVE MATHS - YOU WILL TOO

WWW.SPAGHETTIMATHS.CO.UK

Spaghetti Maths is coming to your child's school! Our clubs are creative, active and educational and are designed to boost engagement with maths.

SPAGHETTI MATHS
untangling numbers

...IT'S MATHS, BUT NOT AS YOU KNOW IT

MONDAY 22ND TUESDAY & 23RD
DECEMBER 2025
AND FRIDAY 2ND JANUARY
2026

CHRISTMAS

Holiday Club

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR FUN AND FLEXIBLE CHILDCARE THIS CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY?
JOIN US FOR A MAGICAL EXPERIENCE AT OUR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CLUB, PERFECT FOR CHILDREN AGED 18 MONTHS TO 11 YEARS!

PACKED WITH FESTIVE GAMES, CREATIVE CRAFTS, OUTDOOR PLAY, FOREST SCHOOL ADVENTURES, AND PLENTY OF CHRISTMAS-THEMED ACTIVITIES, ALL DELIVERED IN A SAFE, WARM, AND WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT BY OUR EXPERIENCED TEAM.

Scan the QR code, visit
<https://forms.office.com/e/63FuBaCs3b>, call us on 01926
426932, or email info@butterflies-daynursery.co.uk
We'd love to hear from you!



THIS HOLIDAY, WE'RE ALSO OFFERING HAF PLACES FOR CHILDREN FROM RECEPTION TO YEAR 6. WE HAVE A LIMITED NUMBER OF SPACES, SO IF YOU'D LIKE ONE, PLEASE GIVE US A CALL OR SEND AN EMAIL AND WE'LL BE HAPPY TO HELP YOU GET BOOKED IN

HAF

GOGO MAKERS
INSPIRING YOUNG MINDS TO THINK BIG!

JINGLE JAM

CHRISTMAS CAMP

PRIORS FIELD PRIMARY
KENILWORTH

EMSCOTE INFANT
WARWICK

HEATHCOTE PRIMARY
WARWICK GATES

BRIAR HILL INFANT
WHITBACH

CLOSED FOR THIS CAMP
FINHAM PARK SECONDARY
BUT BACK FOR FEB HALF TERM!

GOGO XTRA!
NORTH LEAMINGTON SCHOOL
LEAMINGTON SPA

AWARD-WINNING, MULTI-ACTIVITY
OFSTED APPROVED, HOLIDAY CAMPS

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RATED 5 STARS ON GOOGLE

DURING THE CHRISTMAS BREAK

DECEMBER 22nd, 23rd, 29th and 30th
PLEASE NOTE DATES MAY VARY AT DIFFERENT VENUES

GO GO MINI'S
RECEPTION
CHILDREN ONLY
4-5 YEARS

JNR's
5-7 YEARS
(YEAR GROUP 1-2)

SNR's
8-12 YEARS
(YEAR GROUP 3-6)

ACTIVITIES
INCLUDE:

ARTS | SPORTS | DANCE | STEM | GAMES

GOGO XTRA!

FOR 7-12 YRS (YR GROUPS 3-7)

CODING PARKOUR
BASKETBALL BADMINTON DANCE
AT NORTH LEAMINGTON SCHOOL

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TAX FREE CHILDCARE
CHILDCARE VOUCHERS
PAYMENT INSTALMENTS
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£34.50
FOR A STANDARD DAYS CARE FROM 9AM - 3.30PM
(Early and late club is not available for Xmas Camp)

HAF

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& TO BOOK VISIT:

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KIDS CLUB BT Christmas Holiday Childcare Reception to Yr 6

JOIN THE ADVENTURE!
Festive Fun and Games this Holiday Season



only **£20** per day

Times 9.30am to 3.30pm
Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd December
Early Drop off 8.:30 - 9:30am
Late Pick up 3:30 - 4:30pm

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Registered EY2657545

to book visit btkidsclub.onsidelive.co.uk

SHE KICKS ACADEMY
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CLUB



22ND & 23RD DECEMBER
@ NUNEATON ACADEMY- CV107PD
9-3:30PM AGES 5-13 YRS
FUNDED HAF SPACES AVAILABLE

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CHRISTMAS GAMES AND MORE!

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INFO@SHEKICKSACADEMY.COM

HAF **#HER GAME TOO**



Christmas Holiday Club



VISION VFA FOOTBALL ACADEMY

22ND & 23RD DECEMBER
9.00AM UNTIL 3.30PM
AGES 5-13
£20 PER DAY

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Family Support

The following pages contain lots of information
for parent/family support.





Barnardo's Warwick District Children and Family Centres

A coordination of services for families with children and young people aged 0-19 and up to age 25 with SEND

Email: warwickdistrictcfc@barnardos.org.uk

<https://instagram.com/warwickcfc/>

<https://www.facebook.com/warwickchildrenscentres/>

<https://coventryandwarwickshire.barnardos.org.uk/children-and-family-centres/warwick/>



Monday

Lillington

Family Time
9.30-11am

Stepping Stones
11.30-1pm

Baby Chatter Matters
(for 5-12months)
1.30-2.30pm
Booking is essential

Tuesday

Kingsway

Stepping Stones
9.30-11am

Baby Chatter Matters
(for 5-12months)
11.30-12.30pm
Booking is essential

Woodloes

Baby Time
11am-12.30pm

Lillington

Home Ed. Group
1.30-3.30pm
Booking is essential

Wednesday

Westgate

Baby Chatter Matters
(for 5-12months)
9.30-10.30am
Booking is essential

Family Time
10am-11.30pm

Kingsway

Family Time
10-11.30am

Thursday

No sessions - we are closed

Friday

MERRY CHRISTMAS



FREE
NO NEED TO BOOK onto most of our Baby, Family Time and Stepping Stones sessions. Please note our sessions do have limited spaces. When we are full we can not have any more families in the room for safety reasons. If there are any changes we will inform you on our Website and Facebook page.

To book onto:
• Baby Chatter Matters
• Home Ed. Group
Scan me:



Speech Concern?
Please contact Helen on
07703 381764 or
helen.kearney@barnardos.org.uk



2026
HAPPY NEW YEAR

Changing childhoods.
Changing lives.

Barnardo's Warwickshire Children and Family Centres

A coordination of services for families with children and young people aged 0-19 and up to age 25 with SEND

To improve outcomes and life chances for all children, young people (pre-birth to 19 or 25 for those with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities) and their families with a particular focus on the 1001 critical days, from conception until age 2.



Advice and Support

Our staff are on hand to provide information and signposting on a wide range of issues for families, for example: Baby/Toddler, Sleep, Breastfeeding, Children's Behaviour, Speech and Language, Finance, Benefits, Debts, Housing and the Home environment, SEND and childcare funding.

Baby Time

A relaxed environment where parents can socialise and babies (crawlers and pre-walkers) can explore.



Chatter Matters™

Structured session to support early communication through fun, interactive activities.

Family Time

Ideal for families with children on the move to socialise and learn through play. All siblings welcome.

Stepping Stones

Nurturing session to support early communication through fun, interactive activities. If you think this is better for you and your child, please contact:
karen.chin@barnardos.org.uk

Warwick District Children and Family Centres and Outreach Venues:

Woodloes
Community Centre
Deansway
Warwick
CV34 5DF

Kingsway C&FC
Baker Avenue
Leamington Spa
CV31 3HB
01926 336793

Lillington C&FC
3 Mason Avenue
Lillington
CV32 7QE
01926 887597

Westgate C&FC
Bowling Green Street
Warwick
CV34 4DD
01926 490629



Interested in volunteering with us?
Please contact:
sally.hesselworth@barnardos.org.uk

Partner & Agency Contact Details

Early Help Family Support

Family Support Workers
Call 01926 412412
www.warwickshire.gov.uk/childrenandfamilies

Family Information Service

Providing information, advice and one-to-one support for families
Call: 01926 742274
Email: fis@warwickshire.gov.uk
www.warwickshire.gov.uk/fis

Warwickshire Child and Family Wellbeing Service (Health Visiting)

For any enquires please call: 0300 2470072
Email: wcfw.contact@hrcaregroup.com
www.warwickchildandfamily.co.uk

Midwifery

Midwives - Bluebell Clinic @ Warwick Hospital
01926 495321 Ext.: 6974 or 6977
Early Breastfeeding Support Team: 01926 626529

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Other Useful Contact Details

Act on Energy: Email: advice@actonenergy.org.uk Call: 0800 988 2881
Adult & Community Learning: Email: accl@warwickshire.gov.uk Call: 01926 736392
Citizens Advice: Monday to Friday - 9am-5pm. Call 0800 250 5715
Refuge's Domestic Violence and Abuse Service Warwickshire: Call: 0800 408 1552
Warwick District Foodbank: Call: 07850 293382. www.warwickdistrict.foodbank.org.uk
SENDIASS: Email: warwickshiresendiass@barnardos.org.uk Call: 01789 593 159





Family Information Service

Christmas Opening Hours

25.12	CLOSED
26.12	CLOSED
29.12	CLOSED
30.12	09:00 - 17:00
31.12	09:00 - 17:00
01.01	CLOSED
02.01	OPEN AS USUAL (09:00 - 17:00)





Christmas opening times

We are closed from Wednesday 24th December and will re-open on Friday 2nd January 2026.

However we are running an emergency session at Heathcote Parish Church, Cressida Close, Warwick, CV34 6DZ on Tuesday 30th December 12.30—2.30pm.

Providing emergency food and practical support for people left without enough money to live on.

warwickdistrict.foodbank.org.uk

Registered Charity in England & Wales 1180708

TOGETHERNESS

Bringing the Solihull Approach to the world

SOLIHULL APPROACH 'UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD' 10 WEEK PROGRAMME

Warwickshire Family and Relationship Support



13TH JANUARY 2026



09:15 - 11:15



WHITNASH PRIMARY SCHOOL
Langley Road
Leamington Spa
CV31 2EX

For further information email:
ehparenttrainers@warwickshire.gov.uk

Book your **FREE**
place



The programme is intended for parents and carers who want to know more about sensitive and effective parenting. It aims to develop a framework of thinking about parent/child relationships that can be developed into a lifelong skill.

What is covered:

- Tuning into children
- Exploring feelings
- Parenting styles
- Communication and what may be being communicated through behaviour
- Temper tantrums and anger
- Behavioural difficulties



Please note we are unable to accommodate children during these sessions.

Clothing Donation Drive

We are collecting **men's** clothing for a community of young men, thousands of miles away from home, alone and with no possessions whatsoever.

We desperately need clean, S/M/L donations of:

Coats

T-shirts

Joggers

Shoes

Jeans

Sweatshirts



W.A.R.M

WARWICK ACTION FOR REFUGEES AND MARGINALISED GROUPS



Working in conjunction with:






07504 529 399

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@WARM_Warwickshire



A FOCUS ON SUPPORTING PARENTS TO WORK TOGETHER


Parenting Together Virtual Sessions
Monday 19th January
17:30 - 19:30
Friday 6th February
12:30 - 14:30

Working it Out 4 Week Virtual Programme
Monday January 12th - February 2nd
9:30 - 11:30
Tuesday February 24th - March 17th
13:15 - 15:15


Parenting can be tough—especially when there's tension between co-parents.

Parenting Together
Our 2 hour Parenting Together workshop is an ideal starting point for navigating conflict and co-parenting.

Working it Out - Co-parenting in a Positive Way
Our newly revised 4 week programme helps parents and carers build more positive ways of communicating and reducing conflict that put children first.





Book your **FREE** place




For further information, or if a workshop is full, please email:
ehparenttrainers@warwickshire.gov.uk

Please note that it is essential to have a working camera during all virtual sessions.





2-HOUR **FREE** WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS



9th February

Understanding Children's Behaviour

Monday's

09:30 - 11:30

ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
ROWLEY ROAD
LEAMINGTON SPA
CV31 2LJ

2nd March

Sleep and Routines


16th March


Boundaries and Rules

Children are rewarding, stimulating and fun, but looking after them can sometimes be stressful and challenging.


These Workshops will enable parents to meet other parents, to share own experiences in a safe space and to find out about the topics covered. You will also learn about the Parenting offer in Warwickshire County Council and other support that is available to families.

Longer programmes also available





Book your **FREE** place



Please note we are unable to accommodate children during these sessions.

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0800 988 2881

We work with local authorities to provide support


















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let's talk: Speech and Language advice line for Warwickshire's 0-5 year olds

Practical strategies and support for parents/carers and professionals from a Speech and Language therapist

Tailored signposting to ideas, resources and services

Service available Friday mornings
9:15am-1pm (except Bank Holidays)



Contact us by telephone or text on: 07789 924245
E-mail us: letstalk@swft.nhs.uk or use the QR code



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SEND PARENT/CARER SUPPORT GROUP

With the Brunswick Hub team members Laura and Georgia

Group or one to one support

Supporting with but not limited to:

- DLA and benefits
- EHCP and education
- Housing Support
- Employment Support
- Health and Wellbeing
- SEND support

Every Wednesday

1pm-2:30pm

At the Lillington Children's Centre
3 Mason Avenue,
Leamington Spa
CV32 7QE



For more information contact:

Laura - 07356123171 or Georgia - 07923230579



SEND Support Group

Come and join us!

If you have any worries or concerns surrounding SEND please come and have a chat with us!

Meet with other parents/carers in similar positions.

We can help with a wide range of concerns.



Running on the third
Thursday of every
month 10am-12pm at
the Brunswick Hub.

Contact us:

Georgia.mansell@brunswickhlc.org.uk

Megantownsend@brunswickhlc.org.uk



NHS Talking Therapies

Living well with Long-term Physical Health Conditions

Talking Therapies offers support to patients who have been recently diagnosed or living with a physical health condition.

- Are you worried about your health?
- Does your health get you down?
- Do you feel embarrassed or frustrated by your health condition?
- Do you feel your health holds you back in life?



If yes, all of these are normal responses that can be difficult to manage, but Talking Therapies can help. We work with conditions that include, but are not limited to:

Diabetes, Respiratory conditions, Cardiac problems and Chronic pain

Register with us today for an initial appointment online, by phone or by speaking with your GP. Talking Therapies works with people aged 16-plus, who are registered with a GP, across the Coventry and Warwickshire area.



for anxiety and depression

Telephone: 024 7667 1090

Lines are open from 9:00am to 4:30pm Monday to Friday

Visit www.talkingtherapies.covwarkpt.nhs.uk or scan the QR code for more information.



HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD



Any young person aged 4 - 16 years old (in full-time education) who receives benefits-related free school meals can request a HAF code



FREE SCHOOL MEALS



School meals are free for lots of families, check if you are eligible to apply!

So much more than lunch...

A free school meal:

- creates healthy eating habits
- improves learning and behaviour
- saves money and time
- helps schools get extra funding

Did you know that claiming free school meals means that your child will get access to free school holiday activities and food?



To find out more and for help to apply for free school meals, please contact: freemeals@warwickshire.gov.uk or call 01926 359189



The programme offers free support to families on lower incomes, giving eligible young people access to enriching activities and healthy meals during the main school holidays.



You can attend up to 4 sessions during Christmas and Easter and up to 16 sessions over Summer

The activities available include sports, animal care, performing arts and so much more!

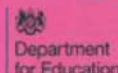


Contact the Family Information Service for more information.

Call 0800 408 1558 Email fis@warwickshire.gov.uk



www.warwickshire.gov.uk/haf



Can I apply?

Your child could be eligible for free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support or Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support from National Asylum Support Service (NASS)
- Guarantee Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

You should still apply if your child is aged 4-7 and receives a universal free school meal

Find out more and apply at www.warwickshire.gov.uk/fsm



Lunch Menu - 15 December 2025

Allergy Key:

vg - Vegan
v - Vegetarian
h - Homemade
D - Dairy
G - Gluten/Wheat
C - Celery
S - Sesame
E - Egg
F - Fish
M - Mustard
SU - Sulphates
SB - Soya

Week Three

Choose a main meal...

Monday

(h) British Beef Bolognese with Garlic Bread (G)
Cheese (D)

(vg) Country Garden Vegetable Fingers with Seasoned Wedges (G)

Jacket Potato - (v) Cheese (D), Tuna (F.E) or (v)
Baked Beans

Egg Mayonnaise Bap (F,E,G)

On the side...

Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...

(v)(h) Zesty Orange Cookie (G)
(v) Yoghurt (D,SB) or Fresh Fruit

Choose a main meal...

Tuesday

(v)(h) Rustic Pizza Wedge with Herby Diced Potatoes
(G,D,SB)

(v)((h) Sweet Potato Lentil Curry with Rice (D)

Jacket Potato - (v) Cheese (D), Tuna (F.E) or (v)
Baked Beans

(v) Cheddar Cheese Bap (G,D)

On the side...

Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...

(v)(h) LemVanilla Cookie with Fruit Slice (G)
(v) Yoghurt (D,SB) or Fresh Fruit

Choose a main meal...

Wednesday

British Roast
Gravy with Roast

(vg)(h) "Meat"

Crispy Roast

Jacket Potato

Baked Beans

British Ham S

Christmas Lunch



If you have not pre-ordered a school lunch for today, you will need to provide your child with a packed lunch.

Choose a main meal...

Thursday

Pork Meatballs in a Rich Tomato Sauce with Pasta (G)

(v)(h) Filled Pastry Crown with Potato Wedges (GED)

Jacket Potato - (v) Cheese (D), Tuna (F.E) or (v)
Baked Beans

Tuna Mayonnaise Bap (FEG)

On the side...

Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...

(v)(h) Winter Berry Muffin (G.E.D)
(vg) Jelly with Fruit
(v) Yoghurt (D,SB) or Fresh Fruit

Choose a main meal... FISHY FRIDAY

Friday

(msc) Fish Fillet Fingers with Chipped Potatoes (FG)

(v)(h) Golden Macaroni Cheese with Malted Wheat Baguette (DG)

Jacket Potato - (v) Cheese (D), Tuna (F.E) or (v)
Baked Beans

British Road Chicken Bap (G)

On the side...

Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...

(v)(h) 'School Favourite' Sprinkles Sponge Cake (GE)
(v) Yoghurt (D,SB) or Fresh Fruit



What's On ...

Please note that these dates are subject to change



DECEMBER EVENTS



PLEASE NOTE THAT THESE DATES AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>1 KS1 Achievement Assembly</p> <p>Reception Walk To The Post Office</p> <p>Christmas Starts At Whitmarsh</p>	<p>2 Reception Dress Rehearsal to School</p>	<p>3 Reception Afternoon Performance to Parents/Carers</p> <p>2.00pm</p>	<p>4 Cookie Day</p> <p>Road Safety Workshops Reception 1.30-2.30pm Year 1 - 2.30-3.00pm</p>	<p>5 14 sleeps until end of term</p> <p>20 sleeps until Santa!</p>
<p>8 KS2 Achievement Assembly</p>	<p>9 Whole School Christmas Visit To St Margaret's Church</p> <p>Music Concert Year 4, Music Bands & Guitar</p> <p>5.30pm</p>	<p>10 Year 1 Hawthorn Craft Afternoon</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12 Year 1 Hazel Craft Afternoon</p>
<p>15 KS1 Term Achievement Assembly</p> <p>Year 3 Afternoon Concert to Parents/Carers</p> <p>2.00pm</p>	<p>16 Year 3 Evening Concert to Parents/Carers</p> <p>5.30pm</p>	<p>17 KS2 Term Achievement Assembly</p> <p>Christmas Lunch</p>	<p>18 Christmas Disco</p>	<p>19 Christmas Sing-A-Long</p> <p>Break-Up for Christmas Holidays</p>
<p>22</p> <p>Sleeps to go</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Sleeps to go</p>	<p>24 Christmas Eve</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>
<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>HAPPY NEW YEAR!</p>	<p>Children back to school on Tuesday 6th January 2026</p>

[Download 2025/26 calendar here](#)

