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Dear Parents/Carers

Wonderful Festive Week

We have had a wonderful festive week in school. Year 3 performed their Nativity to their parents on Monday afternoon and Tuesday evening. The children had clearly worked hard to learn their lines and songs and put on a great show.



Mr Beatty's music groups performed for the school and their friends on Tuesday afternoon. The school Rock band, small guitar groups and Year 4 Ukulele classes played and entertained the everyone. Well done to all who took part - you all did a great job!

Christmas Dinner

On Wednesday the Educaterers team did us all proud with a super Christmas dinner! It is so impressive to see the ladies seamlessly turning out a roast dinner for so many children and staff. The children all seemed to enjoy the festivities and many commented on how lovely their dinner was! Thank you to the kitchen team! X



D. I. S. C. O.

Each class enjoyed their D.I.S.C.O on Thursday. The excitement was clear to see when the children entered the hall to their favourite songs with the hall transformed with sparking disco lights.

Congratulations

We send our congratulations to Mr Atkin who tied the knot with his beautiful bride on Saturday 13th December. We are delighted for him and know he had a fabulous day.



Sending Best Wishes



We send our best wishes this week to Mr Upton who is leaving us to take up a new teaching post. Mr Upton has been part of our team in Year 6 over the last few years. He has provided class cover and booster classes for our pupils and made a real difference to the progress and achievement of many children. We thank him for his service and friendship and we look forward to his return in the future.

We also send our best wishes to Mrs Flinders who is going on her maternity leave today. Mrs Flinders has given her all this term, but looks ready for the rest before her new bundle of joy arrives. Mrs Flinders is a highly-valued member of our school who will be greatly missed, but we can't wait to meet baby Flinders soon!

We are delighted to announce that Mrs Middleton and her husband are expecting their first baby in the new year. We are certain you will join us in congratulating Miss Middleton on her fantastic news.



Thank You To Our Parents/Carers



Thank you to all parents who have sent gifts for us, shared cards, kind emails or festive greetings - all are greatly appreciated. As shared at the Year 3 performances, we thank you for your partnership with the school. We hope you all have a fabulous Christmas.

Thank
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Thank You To Our Staff

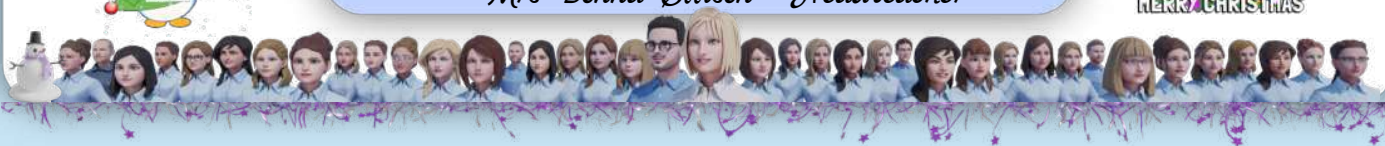
I want to take this opportunity in the last newsletter of 2025 to thank my team of fabulous staff. Despite the job being a demanding one, you all come in every day with the energy, warmth and dedication it takes to run a wonderful primary school.

I know our families appreciate you all, but I want you to know that I am so grateful for all you do - it is a blessing to work with you all. I very much hope all you all get to put your feet up for a well-deserved break and have a wonderful Christmas.

Have a very Merry Christmas and a happy New Year!

With festive love from

Mrs Donna Ellison - Headteacher





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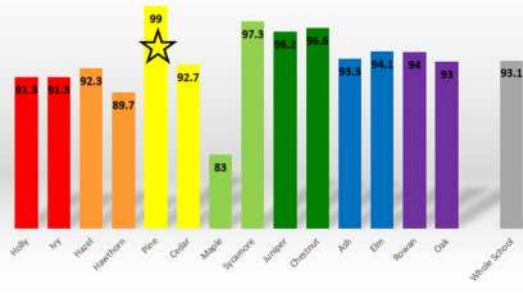
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Attendance

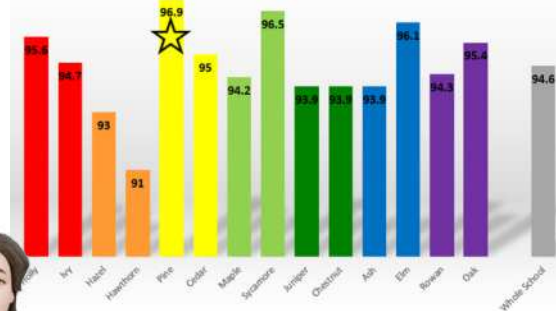
Well Done Pine

Attendance 15 - 19 December 2025



Well Done Pine

Attendance Autumn Term 2025/26



Mrs Miller Says ...

Chestnut

Chestnut will be continuing swimming sessions in January, they will continue up until the February half term. The payment item is now live on Parent Pay.

You will be swimming on the first day back so please remember your swimming kit.

Guitar

The payment item is now live on Parent Pay, if your child no longer wishes to take part, please contact the school office.

After School Clubs

There are still places available in many of the after school clubs if your child wishes to take part in one for their year group.

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 Term's Achievements

Tudor

Holly

Alice

For getting off to a super start in Reception! Tudor is such a kind and caring member of our class. He creates wonderful, imaginative models in our creative workshop, showing great creativity in building and joining, which inspires his classmates. I look forward to seeing you continue to thrive this year, Tudor.

For being such an enthusiastic learner who makes the most of every opportunity in Reception. Alice works beautifully with her classmates and always tries her very best in everything she does. She is a joy to have in our class!

Esther

Ivy

Arya

For being a delightful member of our class who always tries her very best. You are so kind, helpful, and a joy to have in our classroom. You've made a wonderful start to your first school term, and we are all so proud of you! Keep smiling, shining, and sharing your kindness every day.

You have tried so hard this term and made fantastic progress! Even though school felt a bit tricky at first, you now come in every day with a big, happy smile. You're always trying your best and are such a pleasure to have in our class! Well done, Arya!

Freddie

Hazel

Humaidah

Freddie deserves this award for consistently being a kind, helpful and hardworking student. You can always rely on Freddie to complete a job sensibly, to be supportive to his peers and to complete his work to the best of his ability (often going above and beyond!) This attitude to life and his work remarkable. Well done Freddie, keep being fabulous!

Humaidah deserves this achievement for being so extremely hard working. You can always depend on Humaidah to be listening and ready with any task. She pushes herself to achieve more than expected, which has not gone unnoticed! She listens to feedback from the teacher and applies this to her independent work. I always look forward to making her work. Well done Humaidah, you are a real role model to our class.



Evelyn

Hawthorn

Alfie

Evelyn has had a fantastic term in Year One and is always ready to learn. She has a wonderful approach to her learning and tries her best in all areas. Evelyn is a helpful and thoughtful member of Hawthorn who is a valued member of our class. Thank you Evelyn, keep it up!

Alfie has been working his socks off this half term and has been making super progress in all areas. It has been wonderful to see his confidence grow and he now contributes his thoughts to class discussions. Keep it up Alfie!

Olivia

Pine

Toby

Olivia is such a wonderful role model in year 2. She consistently works hard and tries her best in everything she does. She gets to her work quickly and it is always completed to a good standard. Not only that, but she has a wonderful sense of humour that makes us laugh often. Keep being wonderful Olivia.

Toby has really come out of his shell over the term. He is enthusiasm, especially for our transport topic is truly infectious and wonderful to see. He always works hard in lessons and contributes well to discussions, asking very thoughtful questions. He is always happy and smiley which is also infectious. Keep being wonderful Toby.

Emili

Cedar

Mason

Emili has a great, positive mindset, that she applies to all her learning. She always tries her hardest in every lesson and takes great care in her presentation. She should be proud of the work she has accomplished so far, keep up the great work Emili!

Mason has worked tirelessly this term across all subjects. He is quick to put up his hand to answer questions, challenges himself across the board and is a caring member of the class, who is a great team member. Keep up the great work Mason!



Balyaj

Maple

Evelyn

Balyaj, you are an absolute superstar! You've started Year 3 with fantastic energy and positivity, shining in every area of your learning. Your brilliant personality, endless kindness and friendship to everyone fills our classroom with joy, and we LOVE having you in Year 3! Keep shining brightly and keep up the amazing work!

Evelyn, you have made a wonderful start to Year 3. Your enthusiasm, hard work, and positive attitude are clear in everything you do and I am so proud of the amazing work you have completed. Your cheerful personality brightens our classroom every day, and we are so proud to have you in Year 3. Keep up the excellent work!

Pradnya

Sycamore

Waslat

Pradnya is an enthusiastic learner with a consistently positive attitude towards all aspects of school life. She is particularly able in Maths, where she makes thoughtful and valuable contributions during lessons. Her excellent behaviour and sensible approach makes her a true role model for her peers.

Waslat is a bright and enthusiastic learner who approaches every task with a positive and determined attitude. She shows an improving ability in Reading and contributes thoughtfully during class discussions. Her sensible behaviour, along with her kind and helpful nature towards others, makes her a wonderful member of our class.

Jaden

Juniper

Brooke

You have had a fantastic term. You are an outstanding member of the classroom and a real role model to everyone. You are always listening well in class and completing your work to the highest level. You always participate in classroom discussions, you work well independently, in pairs or in groups and happily support your peers no matter what subject we are currently learning. Well done Jaden! Keep up the great work!

You have had a fantastic term. Not only are you an outstanding member of the classroom, who participates in discussions, is always ready to help and works hard in everything you do, you have really matured emotionally this year. Your resilience and independence are growing in leaps and bounds and this is having a huge impact on your work rate and attitude towards your learning. Well done Brooke! Keep up the great work!



Oliver

Chestnut

Jaya

Congratulations, Oliver! You have worked exceptionally hard on your spelling this term, going above and beyond to over practise rules and words. You always ask for help when needed and act on the help and feedback given. Your determination has led to some truly amazing and beautifully presented work, showing fantastic progress. We are also very proud of the kind, thoughtful person you are in class each day. Well done, Oliver—keep shining!

Congratulations, Jaya! You have shown the most outstanding learning behaviours—always listening carefully, sharing thoughtful ideas, asking for help when needed, and acting brilliantly on feedback. You have made fantastic progress in so many areas, with especially notable effort in science, where you dedicated several breaktimes to complete an engaging and impressive piece of writing. You are always kind, respected by everyone, and appreciated for the many positive qualities you bring to our class. Well done, Jaya!

Marcelina

Ash

Leo

Well done Marcelina! You have had a fantastic term. I have never had a pupil who smiles as much as you do, you light up every room with your warmth and enthusiasm. You are a dedicated and diligent learner who always tries your best in every lesson. You take pride in your work and consistently strive to challenge yourself. Keep up the wonderful effort!

Well done Leo! Despite being a quiet member of the classroom, you are a role model to others. You always follow instructions and demonstrate excellent learning behaviours. Your confidence in approaching new tasks has grown as the term has gone on and you are now producing more accurate and higher-quality pieces of work. Keep it up!

Maria

Elm

Daniel

For being such a fantastic member of Elm class! She works exceptionally hard across all areas of the curriculum and I have seen her thrive over this term, developing her confidence and independence in her work. She is a curious learner who always asks questions but is always ready to ask for support to develop herself further too. It has been a pleasure to teach you so far - keep up everything you are doing!

For always giving your best! Daniel shows wonderful dedication to his learning in lessons, listens attentively and always tries his hardest. Not only this but he loves to help around the school, supporting teachers by completing all kinds of jobs with a smile on his face. Your kind, calm personality make you a fantastic role model and a valued member of our class.



Kaiyan

Kaiyan has worked consistently hard all term. He has a genuine desire to learn and always ensures his work is of the highest quality. I have seen Kaiyan challenge himself in all areas of the curriculum and he can be relied upon to share his thoughts and opinions with the class. He is an absolute pleasure to teach!

Oak



Florence

Florence is a super star. She is the most polite, helpful and hard-working child and this is noted by everyone who teaches her. Nothing but her best is good enough for Florence and she encourages those around her to reach their full potential too. She can often be found finishing off work in her own time to ensure it is up to her own high standards and she has a very bright future ahead of her.

Irenonsen

Irenonsen is such a conscientious young lady; her work ethic is commendable! Not only does Irenonsen work hard academically but she is also very highly regarded by her peers because she is so incredibly kind and considerate. It is an absolute delight to have Irenonsen as a pupil in my class and I look forward to seeing how further she can succeed as the year progresses.

Rowan

Reaghan

Reaghan is an absolute super star. With her enthusiasm and energy, this young lady could light up any room! Reaghan works hard in every area of her learning, making her a pleasure to teach. Not only this but she is so incredibly helpful! Reaghan is always willing to support her friends, her teachers and the wider school and is particularly committed to her role on the eco council.



Have you found all the snowmen?

For the last few weeks there have been little snowmen appearing throughout the newsletter. Have you been spotting them?

This week have a good look through the newsletter and see how many you can find.

You are looking for this little man,  but you can't count this one!

You can then let me know how many you find here:

hall.j3@welearn365.com

I will reveal how many there are and how many got it correct in the next newsletter.

Happy Christmas
Love from Miss Hall





Maths Challenge

The most accurate class	CHESTNUT	
The most active class	JUNIPER	
The most active pupils:	Class	Average minutes per day
Doruk	Chestnut	36:36
Gyanada	Juniper	19:09
Akshat	Juniper	17:34
Others who spent over 10 minutes: Salwa from Oak (12:43), Angel from Juniper (11:11) and Ansh from Juniper (11:09)		

Number Bonds 5	Number Bonds 10	Number Bonds 20	10	20	70	80	90	Bronze	Silver	Gold
Eldora	Mahani	Molly	Hallie Gyandev Marnie	Matar Robin	Gaspar	Siyar Max	Layla-Rose Madeleine Eva Sapphire	Medeea	Akshat	Ahaan

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	13
Hazel	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	50
Cedar	12,630	82,713	26	127	8
Pine	0	164,182	0	76	23
Maple	163,797	1,001,242	27	394	14
Sycamore	64,301	611,934	13	479	11
Chestnut	484,669	2,377,717	56	376	0
Juniper	80,227	811,299	21	287	1
Ash	353,299	2,904,103	15	139	11
Elm	150,478	2,356,664	18	182	3
Rowan	2,156,315	7,083,798	47	444	9
Oak	655,106	6,317,019	18	322	73
Totals	4,120,822	23,710,671	241	2826	216



Word Count Winners
ROWAN

Top Quizzes
CHESTNUT

Boomreaders of the week
OAK

We also say congratulations to: MAPLE class for achieving their 1 million words; CHESTNUT for achieving their 2 million words; OAK, for achieving their 6 million words and a HUGE congratulations to ROWAN who have achieved their 5, 6 and 7 million words - amazing!



Sports Activities To Do At Home

All Four, I Score

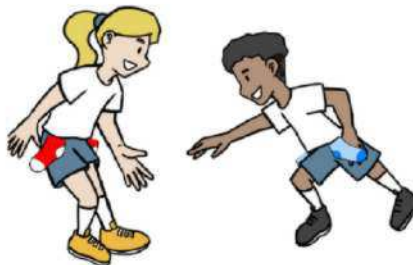


Get Set 4
Education

What you need: four socks and a partner

How to play:

- Tuck two socks into your waistband, one on either side, so that they hang down.
- Stand facing your partner.
- Try to take your partner's socks. If you manage to get one, hold it in the air and shout 'tag'. At this point, the game stops so that you can tuck the additional sock into your waistband.
- Restart the game. To win, you need to get all four socks tucked into your waistband.



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Year 2 Get A Visit From Father Christmas

He surprised Year 2 by
reading them a story and
giving each of them a gift.
The children were so happy
and surprised!

Thank you Father
Christmas.





How To Have A Plastic-Free Christmas

Do you want to have a great time but save the planet? Then this text is for you. Read on to explore the variety of activities and fun you can have at Christmas, but not while harming the planet.



Most reindeer food is sold with non-biodegradable glitter. So why not make your own? Just simply grab some oats, rasins, and optional cinnamon for an additional scent. If you still want some sparkle in your reindeer food, you can try some edible glitter.

Christmas crackers normally have little plastic toys that people normally just throw away.

You can help our environment by making your own! This means you can put your own things in it that you know your family enjoy so we don't throw away tiny little plastic toys.



Are visitors coming to your house this Christmas? You can make your own cleaning spray mix, to help you with your cleaning around Christmas time. You can buy white vinegar and lemon juice.

Once you mix these together you get a non-toxic cleaner to help you clean at Christmas.

We hope these tips and tricks help you have a wonderful Christmas, while saving the planet.

From, Eco council 2025



Christmas Trees



Fake

Pros and cons

Eco2025~2026



Real

Pros of a fake tree

- . You save money
- . You can have it for a long time
- . It doesn't cause deforestation

Cons. for a fake tree

Too much plastic use
Parts can fall off
Pets can chew on it

Pros of a real tree

It doesn't use that much plastic
It gets recycled

Cons. for a fake tree

It causes deforestation
It can only be used once
Part can still fall off





The Whitnash Whirlwinds Racing Team

Whitnash Primary School's Official Racing Team

Christmas Tombola



The Whitnash Whirlwinds Racing Team held their Christmas Tombola on the playground on Tuesday. We would like to thank all the parents and carers who donated items for the tombola, as we collected 100 items in total!

We would also like to thank everybody who took part in the Christmas Tombola and the Santa Silent Auction.

We raised

£201.20

for our team!



This money will now go towards items such as a helmet, outfits for the team or any materials that we need for the car.

Thank you once again for your support and we look forward to racing in 2026.





School Council this term

In whole school class meetings, we have discussed:

- What we would like to achieve this school year
- The effectiveness of Black History Month
- How we like to mark Remembrance Day
- What we enjoy most about Christmas.

Pupil Voice

In each meeting, children have working in groups to agree answers and have contributed to a group vote that has been logged on the Smart School Council system.

Every meeting ensures that all children get the chance to speak out or just vote and to get their thoughts heard.

We are very proud to be part of a system that teaches the children that their voice matters in the meetings and all of the time!



Pupil Leadership

During each meeting, children have the chance to be meeting leader or notetaker. Different children lead and scribe each week so many children get the chance to develop leadership skills.

Across Y5 and Y6, children are members of a Coms Team. They meet to choose School Council meeting questions, review the results and pass on information. They are playing an active part in ensuring all children are heard and developing their own leadership skills.

A word from Mrs Ford

It has been another positive term for the Whole School Council. It has been my pleasure to work with the Coms Team to organise the meetings, to review the results and to read the feedback from classes.

Whitnash Primary pupils are growing together thoughtfully and considerately.

Happy Christmas one and all



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!





Friends of Whitnash PTA



Merry Christmas

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all the children, families, friends and staff of Whitnash Primary School a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Christmas Events

The PTA have had the pleasure of serving refreshments at the Christmas events and what a lovely time we have had. It always brings us such joy to see the children performing to their parents and being able to be a part of these special celebrations is one of the best parts of being on the PTA. At the various Christmas events we have raised an extra £57.45 towards our fundraising efforts.



Christmas Artwork

We have had a great response from the Christmas Artwork and have earned an amazing £124.04 in commission from your purchases. We hope you are all loving the artwork you have purchased – Magnets and Christmas Cards were very popular purchases this year!



Funds Raised

To round of this year, we have the exciting news of telling you that the PTA has raised a whopping £5332.52 in 2025! We are unbelievably proud of our small team and their incredible efforts in fundraising this year. Some of our biggest successes have been our Sponsored Splashathon which raised an incredible £3033, the Whitnash Coin Clash that made a fab £577.25 and of course the ever-popular Easter Egg Tombola that raised £339.88! We are so excited to see what 2026 brings our way!



AGM

Our annual AGM will take place after school on Thursday 22nd January.

A PTA AGM (Parent Teacher Association Annual General Meeting) is a mandatory, yearly meeting where PTA members review the past year's activities, finances (how money was raised and spent), and elect the committee for the upcoming year, providing accountability and a chance for parents to get involved in the association's governance. It's a formal event to hold the committee accountable and set the direction for the next year. We welcome you all to attend this meeting.



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,

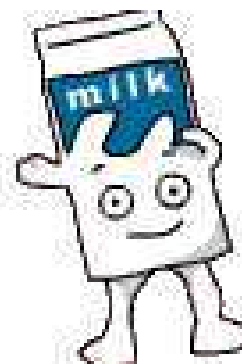
Cool Milk

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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



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**

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/63FuBzCs3b>, 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!
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LEAMINGTON SPA

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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

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Baby Chatter Matters

(for 5-12months)

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Thursday

No sessions - we are closed

MERRY CHRISTMAS



Friday

We are closed



Lillington

Family Time

10-11.30am

Baby Chatter Matters

(for 5-12months)

12-1pm

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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:
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helen.kearney@barnardos.org.uk



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:

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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?
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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

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.



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Warwickshire Family and Relationship Support



13TH JANUARY 2026



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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.

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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:

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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.



Warwickshire Family and Relationship Support






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


9th February

2nd March


16th March



Understanding Children's Behaviour



Sleep and Routines



Boundaries and Rules

Monday's

09:30 - 11:30


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

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


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.

Book your FREE place



Longer programmes also available



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



Tuesday 16 December 2025

This week's Family Information Service newsletter includes information about:



Christmas fire safety tips
 Battery recycling
 Autism support
 and much more!

[Download newsletter here](#)



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

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Service available Friday mornings
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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
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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!

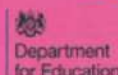


Contact the Family Information Service for more information.

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 - 05 January 2026

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 One

Monday

Choose a main meal...

(v)(h) Tomato Pasta Bake with Malted Wheat Baguette

(vg) Plant Power Burger in a bun with Diced Potatoes (G)

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...

(h) Chocolate Crackers (G)
(v) Yoghurt (D,SB) or Fresh Fruit

Tuesday

Choose a main meal...

Chicken Fajita Wrap with Cous Cous (G)

(v) (h) Hearty Roots Chilli with Rice

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

Tuna Mayonnaise Bap (F,E,G)

On the side...

Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...

(v) Jelly with Fruit
(v)(h) Banana & Raisin Cookie (G)
(v) Yoghurt (D,SB) or Fresh Fruit

Wednesday

Choose a main meal...

British Roast Chicken Fillet, Yorkshire Pudding, Gravy with Roast Potatoes (D E G)

(v)(h) Plant Power Toad in the Hole with Roast Potatoes (G,E,D)

Crispy Roast Potatoes

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

Egg Mayonnaise Bap (G,E)

On the side...

Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...

(v)(h) Caramel Apple Crumble with Custard (D,G)
(v) Ice Cream (D)
(v) Yoghurt (D,SB) Fresh Fruit

Thursday

Choose a main meal...

British Pork Sausages & Gravy with Mashed Potato (GD,SB,SU)

(h)(v) Cheese & Potato Pie served with Vegetables (D,E)

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

British Roast Chicken Bap (G)

On the side...

Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...

(v) Strawberry Whip with Fruit (D)
(vg)(h) Flapjack (G)
(v) Yoghurt (D,SB) or Fresh Fruit

Friday

Choose a main meal... FISHY FRIDAY

(msc) Salmon Fishcake with Chipped Potatoes (FG)

(v) Cheese & Tomato Pizza Wedge with Chipped Potatoes (GD)

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

British Ham Soft Bap (G)

On the side...

Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...

(v) Frosted Carrot Cake (GE)
(v) Yoghurt (D,SB) or Fresh Fruit



What's On ...

January 2026

05	Monday	Day	INSET - School Closed to Pupils
06	Tuesday	Day	Children Back to School
06	Tuesday	AM	CHESTNUT Swimming
06	Tuesday	5pm	SATs meeting for all Year 6 Parents/Carers
07	Wednesday	Day	YEAR 5 - Trip to The Space Centre
12	Monday	Day	Year 6 Booster Sessions start this week
12	Monday	9.10am	KS1 Achievement Assembly
12	Monday	PM/Eve	Young Voices
13	Tuesday	1.30pm	Reception Heights & Weights
15	Thursday	1.30pm	Year 6 Heights & Weights
15	Thursday	Overnight	ELM - Astro Camp
15	Thursday	Day	Closing date for Reception 2026 Applications
19	Monday	9.10am	KS2 Achievement Assembly
15	Thursday	Overnight	ASH - Astro Camp

Please note that these dates are subject to change

[Download 2025/26 calendar here](#)

HAPPY CHRISTMAS



Whitnash Primary School