



# Newsletter

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## Dear Parents/Carers

### Young Voices Concert

On Monday afternoon and evening, children in the KS2 choir attended the Young Voices concert at the Birmingham Arena. This amazing annual event sees schools from across the country join together for rehearsals through the afternoon culminating in a fabulous concert for parents in the evening. As always the atmosphere was electric and the children thoroughly enjoyed the experience. We send our sincere thanks to Miss Simmons for her commitment to organising and supporting this opportunity.



We also send a huge thank you to Mrs Minns, Mrs Mcknight and Miss Moore, for giving up their evening to support our pupils enabling them to attend. We look forward to being able to offer this opportunity to KS2 choir again next year.

### The Bicycle Bus

This week the Bicycle Bus started for our families. This is a special one as it was the first Bicycle Bus of 2026 in Leamington and Warwick. It also means that now every school in Whitnash has a Bicycle Bus initiative operating.

It was Whitnash Primary School's inaugural Bicycle Bus where there were six 'on the bus'.

One child told their parent at the school gates that The Bicycle Bus is BRILLIANT!



### Recommended Reads

Mrs Norris has been busy updating the books in the entrance hall with the recommended reads year groups. We hope children enjoy looking at those books whenever waiting in the school entrance. These books are also there to give parents ideas for great reading material for their children.

### Year 6 Booster Classes

We express our sincere thanks to our teaching staff in KS2 who are supporting the year 6 booster classes in preparation for the year 6 Statutory Assessment Tests (SATS). We strongly encourage pupils invited to attend, as we know that these classes have a significant impact on the positive outcomes for children in these assessments and their preparation for secondary school.



Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

*Mrs Donna Ellison - Headteacher*





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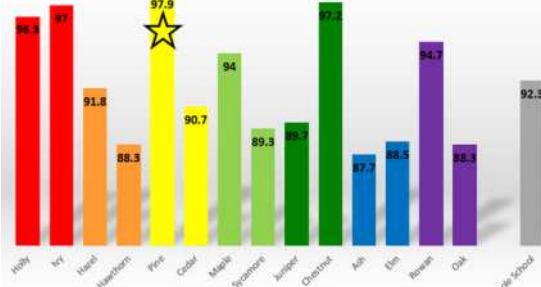
30 Happy Christmas From Whitnash Primary School

# COMING SOON

# Attendance

## Well Done Pine

Attendance 12-16 January 2026



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](mailto:admin2324@welearn365.com)

Thank you for your co-operation.

Miss Emma Lindon  
Attendance Champion



*Mrs Miller Says ...*

### All classes

Please ensure that all children have a named water bottle in school every day.

If you think that you may be eligible for free school meals, please email the council on

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals>

### Years 3-6

Please can we ask parents to keep any balances for school lunches to a minimum. These put schools under huge financial pressure.

### Guitar

Please ensure your child's place is paid for on Parent Pay to keep their place.

### F1 Club

Please note that club will not take place on Thursday 26th February. A reminder text will be sent out nearer the time.

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.**

# This Week's Achievements

Lando

Holly

Avaan

For his wonderful contributions when learning about winter. Lando showed a great understanding of the world by talking about the key characteristics of winter and sharing that in New Zealand it is summer. Well done, Lando!

For completing his first independent writing challenge. Avaan confidently used his phonic knowledge to spell a range of CVC words and showed excellent letter formation. Keep up the great work, Avaan!

Olivia

Ivy

Arya

Olivia has tried really hard in maths this week. She is gaining confidence in the composition of numbers to 5. We are really impressed with her perseverance and positive attitude.

Lilah has been amazing in our music lessons recently! She is trying so hard, and her focus has been fantastic. She joins in brilliantly with all the singing, dancing, and playing of musical instruments. Well done, Lilah!

Marnie

Hazel

George

Marnie has settled back in the new year fantastically. She has dived straight into her work and has been trying really hard, especially in our maths work! Well done Marnie!

George has worked really hard in his phonics this week! He has been really engaged and focused on his super neat handwriting. Keep up the good work George!

YOU'RE A  
**ROCK**  
STAR

# This Week's Achievements

Nathan

Hawthorn

Erin

Nathan has made a great start to the Spring term and has particularly enjoyed starting our new Science topic about Materials. He has grown in confidence to share his ideas and his contributions to class discussions have been very valuable. Keep it up Nathan!

Erin has come back after the Christmas holiday with positivity and has already shown great enthusiasm for her learning. She has been contributing to class discussions and asking some great questions to support her learning. It is great to see Erin building her confidence in the classroom.

Isabella

Pine

Abdul

For settling back into school well. For working hard and settling down quickly to all the activities.

Well done!

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Well done!

Sonia

Cedar

James

Sonia is a hard-working, positive member of our class. She always challenges herself with the quality of her work, her presentation and being a great team member! Keep up the great work Sonia!

James has started the new year with such a positive attitude towards his work! He has also shown great resilience and determination with his handwriting. Keep up the great work James!

 Congratulations



## Maths Challenge

|                         |  |                 |                         |
|-------------------------|--|-----------------|-------------------------|
| The most accurate class |  | <b>CHESTNUT</b> |                         |
| The most active class   |  | <b>JUNIPER</b>  |                         |
| The most active pupils: |  | Class           | Average minutes per day |
| Doruk                   |  | Chestnut        | 34:18                   |
| Jackson                 |  | Oak             | 12:29                   |
| Ashman                  |  | Maple           | 7:09                    |

| 10             | 20      | 30    | 40     | 60                                    | 70                     | 80  | 90  | Bronze         | Silver          | Gold              | Platinum        | Diamond |
|----------------|---------|-------|--------|---------------------------------------|------------------------|---|---|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------|
| Bella<br>Molly | Gyandev | Emeli | Amelia | Erin<br>Ansh<br>Yemin<br>Mya<br>Tyler | Harper<br>Erin<br>Rory | Harper<br>Brooke<br>Ruby<br>Charlie<br>Lilly-Mae<br>Rashmika<br>Kiaus | Maddie<br>Brooke<br>Ruby<br>Harper<br>Alex<br>Raaj<br>Marcelina | Ruby<br>Phoebe | Jagoda<br>Logan | Jagoda<br>Gyanada | Ahaan<br>Mailly | Jackson |

## 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                            | 7                        |
| Hazel    | N/A        | N/A        | N/A                      | N/A                            | 17                       |
| Cedar    | 18,062     | 132,410    | 15                       | 165                            | 3                        |
| Pine     | 6,301      | 206,561    | 1                        | 84                             | 26                       |
| Maple    | 39,758     | 1,061,200  | 18                       | 431                            | 16                       |
| Sycamore | 49,236     | 661,893    | 21                       | 503                            | 16                       |
| Chestnut | 61,471     | 2,564,473  | 13                       | 404                            | 2                        |
| Juniper  | 85,485     | 944,439    | 11                       | 322                            | 1                        |
| Ash      | 137,959    | 3,047,652  | 10                       | 150                            | 5                        |
| Elm      | 112,750    | 2,753,335  | 15                       | 218                            | 1                        |
| Rowan    | 459,078    | 8,455,801  | 27                       | 520                            | 6                        |
| Oak      | 677,533    | 8,316,423  | 21                       | 403                            | 158                      |
| Totals   | 1,647,633  | 28,144,187 | 152                      | 3200                           | 258                      |

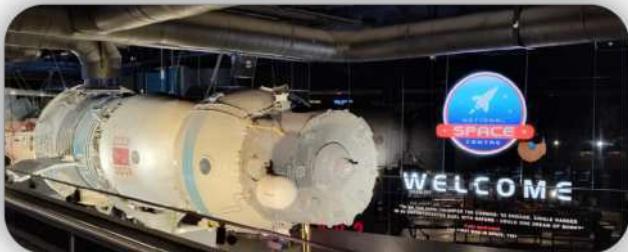
Word Count Winners  
**OAK**

Top Quizzes  
**ROWAN**

Boomreaders of the week  
**OAK**

We say congratulations to ASH, for achieving their 3 million words, as well as OAK and ROWAN, for achieving their 8 million words. We also say congratulations to Kaiyan in OAK class, for achieving their 1 million words - a great achievement! Certificates will be with you shortly.

# Year 5 Visit The National Space Centre



Year 5 had an out-of-this-world day on their trip to the National Space Centre! The children learned about planets, astronauts, space travel and more. A highlight was the planetarium which explored how astronauts are trained and an interactive show where pupils discovered how forces work to make sure rockets blast off!





#### Young Voices 2026

On Monday 12th January, the Year 5 / 6 Choir travelled to the BP Pulse Live Arena in Birmingham, to take part in the Young Voices 2026 Concert. We joined over 5,000 children from all over the country to take part in celebrating 30 years of Young Voices, alongside special guests Anoushka Woods and Connie Talbot and what a day we had!

We had a fantastic day full of rehearsing, followed by an incredible concert! We sang and danced to songs including 'Disco Fever', 'No Such Thing as Normal', 'Wicked Medley', 'Pop Medley' and lots more!

The children had been rehearsing all of the songs and dances since October and had a brilliant time! They behaved impeccably and were incredible role models for our school!

Thank you also to all of the parents, carers and families for your continued support and we hope you enjoyed the show!

Miss Simmons x



## Sports Activities To Do At Home

### Alphabet Scavenger Hunt



**What you need:** One or more players, a piece of paper, a pen and a stopwatch / clock.

#### How to play:

- Find an object beginning with the letter A, bring it back to your start point and write the word of the item on your sheet.
- Continue for the entire alphabet.
- Playing against someone else? Who can complete the alphabet in the quickest time?

How quickly can you find the alphabet?



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Number Day is coming to Whitnash Primary School!

It's on **Friday 6th February** and the following events will be taking place:

- We will be having themed maths lessons throughout the day focused on number.
- We will be taking part in the Times Table Rock Stars number day challenge.
- We will be taking part in Dress up for Digits. Come to school in an item of clothing with a number on it (football shirt, cap, netball shirt or even a onesie!). Or get even more creative by dressing in a maths or numbers theme!
- With an aim of raising money for the NSPCC, we are asking for donations to support the day.

A letter will be sent out soon, so, give your times tables a tweak and get your digits dancing for Number Day 2026!



## Competition Results



You may have heard that Usborne company called 'Once Upon Our Story', were running a Facebook competition/poll for a school to win a free Usborne book bundle...and congratulations-we came in third place! Because we were so close, the company have decided to give second and third place a prize also, so thank you for all who voted.



'Thank you to Emma at Once Upon a Story for the books.'



2026 is the National Year of Reading. It provides a national context for schools to strengthen and celebrate reading, with particular emphasis on reading for pleasure, fluency and language development. For our school, this is not a new initiative but is reinforcing our passion for encouraging Reading for pleasure.

Year of Reading 2026 is about protecting what matters most—time to read, to listen, and to enjoy books.

Over the course of the year, there will be various reading activities that will be taking place, which will give the children the opportunity to experience a range of text types and hopefully reinforce our goal of all children enjoying reading.





## Eco-Council News

### Project 1: Reduce The Amount of Plastic Waste

Eco-Council are collecting the items listed below for an upcoming arts day where they will be used to create topical art.

#### Collect Plastics!

what we  
need:

Bottle caps

Yogurt pots  
(Clean)

Egg boxes

Clean bottles

Clean soft plastic  
and turn into micro-  
plastics



No more Plastics in the ocean!

# 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](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures)

- Check on local radio stations.

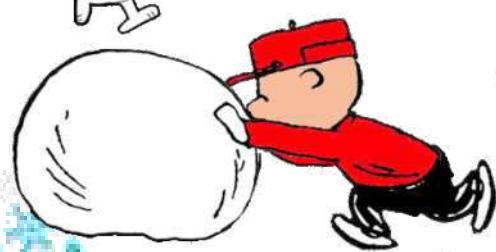
In the event of the school being closed due to snow, we encourage children to look at the class pages on the website.

[www.whitnashprimaryschool.com/Classes](http://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

Friends Of Whitnash PTA



**Come along  
to our AGM**

# 22 January 2026

3.30PM at the school

EVERYONE'S WELCOME, COME AND SEE WHAT  
WE'VE BEEN DOING!

FOR MORE INFORMATION:  
[friendsofwhitnash@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofwhitnash@gmail.com)



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# Friends of Whitnash PTA

Friends of Whitnash Primary School  
Parent Teacher Association  
Registered Charity No. 1215968



## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

22<sup>nd</sup> January 2026

To be held in the School Hall at 3.30pm

## AGENDA

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- 1. Welcome and apologies– Charli-Emma Riddle**
  - Welcome from the Chair
  - Apologies for absence
- 2. Minutes of the previous AGM – Charli-Emma Riddle**
  - Approval of minutes
  - Matters arising
- 3. Chair's report – Charli-Emma Riddle**
  - Review of the year
  - Key achievements and challenges
- 4. Treasurer's report – Donna Stanford**
  - Presentation of annual accounts
  - Current financial position
  - Approval of accounts
- 5. Election of committee members**
  - Chair
  - Vice Chair (*if applicable*)
  - Treasurer
  - Secretary
  - Ordinary committee members
- 6. Appointment of independent examiner / auditor (if required) – Alice Stevens**
- 7. Plans and priorities for the coming year – Charli-Emma Riddle/Becky Stanton**
  - Proposed events
  - Fundraising ideas
  - School funding priorities – Bike Bus
- 8. Any Other Business (AOB)**
- 9. Date of next meeting**
- 10. Close of 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](http://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 5<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.coolmilk.com/parents).

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

Kind regards,

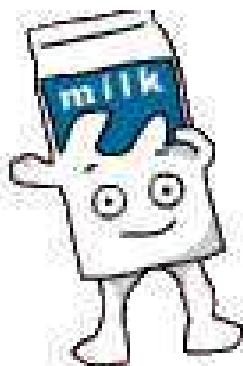
*Cool Milk*

☎: 0800 321 3248

✉: [www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com)



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 to 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 & Wednesday          |
| Sycamore    | Wednesday & Thursday        |
| Juniper     | Tuesday & Friday            |
| Chestnut    | Tuesday (Swimming) & Friday |
| Ash         | Tuesday & Wednesday         |
| Elm         | Tuesday & Wednesday         |
| Oak         | Wednesday & Thursday        |
| Rowan       | Wednesday & 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](http://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.



**KIDS CLUB** at BT

February Half Term  
Childcare  
Reception to Yr 6

JOIN THE **ADVENTURE!**  
Schools out, but we've got you covered



**£24** from only  
per day

4 days £86  
5 days £95

Monday 16th to Friday 20th February

Times 9.30am to 3.30pm  
Early Drop off 8.30 - 9.30am +£3.50 each  
Late Pick up 3.30 - 4.30pm

WE ACCEPT CHILDCARE VOUCHERS & TAX-FREE CHILDCARE search 'Onside Wraparound'

Ofsted  
Registered EY2857545

to book visit [btkidsclub.on sidelive.co.uk](http://btkidsclub.on sidelive.co.uk)

**SCHOOL TRENDS**  
GROWN OUT BEFORE WORN OUT

Early Bird Offer  
**10% off**  
bags, cap and ties

**Quote code:**  
**EB2026**



call today to get your orders in  
0114 331 0233

**This week's Bicycle Bus is a special one!**

It was the first Bicycle Bus of 2026 in Leamington and Warwick.

It was Whitnash Primary School's inaugural Bicycle Bus where we had 6 'on the bus' (from little acorns, great oak trees grow!)

This is the 16th initiative I have set up across the country, mainly here in Warwickshire, giving families a safe, fun alternative to driving! The 2.5 mile route is almost entirely on cycle infrastructure.

One child told their parent at the school gates that The Bicycle Bus is BRILLIANT!

This means that now every school in Whitnash has a Bicycle Bus initiative operating.

It was also my 200th Bicycle Bus!!! I started The Bicycle Bus and have run it at least once a week during school term time since.

What a way to celebrate, by starting another initiative helping families be more active and connected.

If you want a Bicycle Bus at your school, get in touch at [simon@thebicyclebus.co.uk](mailto:simon@thebicyclebus.co.uk)





## Family Support

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






**CHILD FRIENDLY  
Families First**

## A FOCUS ON SUPPORTING PARENTS TO WORK TOGETHER

**Parenting Together**  
Virtual Sessions  
Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January  
17:30 - 19:30  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February  
12:30 - 14:30

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



**Warwickshire Family and Relationship Support**

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](mailto:ehparenttrainers@warwickshire.gov.uk)

Please note that 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  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> March   | 16 <sup>th</sup> March  |
|---|---|---|
|   |              |              |
|  Monday's  |  09:30 - 11:30 |  10:00 - 12:00 |
| ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL<br>ROWLEY ROAD<br>LEAMINGTON SPA<br>CV31 2LJ  | ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL<br>ROWLEY ROAD<br>LEAMINGTON SPA<br>CV31 2LJ                | ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL<br>ROWLEY ROAD<br>LEAMINGTON SPA<br>CV31 2LJ                |
| <p>Children are rewarding, stimulating and fun, but looking after them can sometimes be stressful and challenging.</p> <p>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.</p> |   |   |
| <p><a href="#">Book your FREE place</a> </p> <p>Longer programmes also available</p>   |   |   |
| <p>Please note we are unable to accommodate children during these sessions.</p>   |   |   |

## WELCOME TO THE FAMILY INFORMATION SERVICE NEWSLETTER



### Tuesday 13 January 2026

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

A winter safety guide from Child Accident Prevention Trust

Barnardo's winter wellness workshops

Voice of Warwickshire

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

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](mailto:letstalk@swft.nhs.uk) or use the QR code



**NHS**  
South Warwickshire  
University  
NHS Foundation Trust

Image created for SWFT, Speech & Language Therapy department for Alice Goozee, consulting inc. by Sophie Art.

# 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.

Contact us:

[Georgia.mansell@brunswickhlc.org.uk](mailto:Georgia.mansell@brunswickhlc.org.uk)  
[Megantownsend@brunswickhlc.org.uk](mailto:Megantownsend@brunswickhlc.org.uk)

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



# 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



**mind**  
Coventry and Warwickshire

**NHS**  
Coventry and Warwickshire Talking Therapies

# 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](http://www.talkingtherapies.covwarkpt.nhs.uk)**  
or scan the QR code for more information.



# HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD

## HAF

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



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](mailto:fis@warwickshire.gov.uk)



[www.warwickshire.gov.uk/haf](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/haf)



# 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?

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



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## 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](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/fsm)



# Lunch Menu - 19 January 2026

## Week Three

### Allergy Key:

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

### MONDAY

#### Choose a main meal ...

(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) B/ 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

### TUESDAY

#### Choose a main meal ...

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

### WEDNESDAY

#### Choose a main meal ...

British Roast Chicken Fillet, Sage & Onion Stuffing &  
Gravy with Roast Potatoes (G)  
(vg)(h) "Meat" Loaf with Gravy & Roast Potatoes  
Crispy Roast Potatoes  
Jacket Potato - (v) Cheese (D), Tuna (F.E) or (v) B/ Beans  
British Ham Soft Bap (G)

#### On the side ...

Fresh Salad Bar  
Vegetables of the Day

#### For dessert ...

(v)(h) Syrup Sponge & Custard (G,D,E)  
(v) Frozen Swirl Mousse (D)  
(v) Yoghurt (D,SB) Fresh Fruit

### THURSDAY

#### Choose a main meal ...

Pork Meatballs in a Rich Tomato Sauce with Pasta (G)  
(v)(h) Filled Pastry Crown with Potato Wedges (G,ED)  
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

### FISH

### FRIDAY

#### Choose a main meal ...

(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 Roast 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 ...

## January 2026

|    |          |           |                                |
|----|----------|-----------|--------------------------------|
| 19 | Monday   | 9.10am    | KS2 Achievement Assembly       |
| 20 | Tuesday  | 11.00     | Year 6 Girls Football Festival |
| 29 | Thursday | Overnight | ASH = Astro Camp               |

## February 2026

|       |           |             |                                  |
|-------|-----------|-------------|----------------------------------|
| 05    | Thursday  | 12.30       | Year 3 Gymnastics                |
| 06    | Friday    | Day         | Number Day - Dress Up For Digits |
| 06    | Friday    | Lunch       | Winter Olympics Menu             |
| 11    | Wednesday | 12.00       | Years 5/6 Sportshall Athletics   |
| 12    | Thursday  | Lunch       | Lunar Menu                       |
| 13    | Friday    | 3.15pm      | Break Up For Half-Term           |
| 16-20 | Week      | Week        | Half-Term                        |
| 23    | Monday    | Day         | INSET - School Closed to Pupils  |
| 24    | Tuesday   | Day         | Pupils Back To School            |
| 24    | Tuesday   | 3.30-5.30pm | Parents' Evening                 |
| 26    | Thursday  | 3.30-6.00pm | Parents' Evening                 |

## March 2026

|       |          |        |   |
|-------|----------|--------|---|
| 02    | Monday   | Day    | National Offer Day for Secondary School Places 2026 |
| 05    | Thursday | Lunch  | World Book Day Menu                                 |
| 06    | Friday   | am     | Rags 2 Riches Collection                            |
| 09-13 | Week     | Week   | Year 6 Residential Visit to Arete                   |
| 16    | Monday   | Day    | Years 3&4 Scooterbility                             |
| 20    | Friday   | Lunch  | Red Nose Day Menu                                   |
| 27    | Friday   | Lunch  | Easter Lunch Menu                                   |
| 27    | Friday   | 3.15pm | Break Up For Easter Holidays                        |

Please note that these dates are subject to change

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