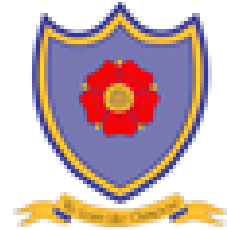


Worsley Mesnes Primary School Newsletter



“The best thing about the future, is that it comes one day at a time” – Abraham Lincoln

Corona – Virus

PARENTS/CARERS AND FAMILIES

Following the updated Government guidance relating to the prevention against Covid 19, we wish to reassure our Parents/Carers that we will continue to follow advice and recommendations from Public Health England and the Government.

As announced by the Prime Minister last week, there are **no plans currently to ‘blanket’ close schools.**

However, we are asking that any children with a slight fever/cough/cold or feeling even slightly unwell to be kept off school for 14 days and to self isolate. If in doubt, please telephone 111 for advice. It is vital that you telephone school immediately to enable us to keep track of children who are ‘self-isolating’.

Please be reassured that we are continually taking preventative measures in school and the following measures will be in place from Monday 16th March until further notice:

- All whole school assemblies cancelled until further notice.
- Minimal ‘carpet time’ in the classrooms to avoid close contact with other pupils.
- Inter-school sporting events to be postponed/rescheduled.
- Parent Evening in April to be postponed.
- Children should continue to bring in their own labelled water bottle.
- After School Clubs will continue for the time being
- Teachers are preparing ‘home learning packs’ in the event of any school closure.

We are continuing to follow advice from the Local Authority and the Government and we hope that Parents/Carers fully support and understand our decisions.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-people-with-confirmed-or-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

Red Nose Day/Sport Relief – Friday 13rd March

Thank you to everyone who took part and donated to the Comic Relief Charity, we raised a fantastic **£150.10.**



Friends of the School Family Trip – Saturday 2nd January 2021.

We are looking at visiting Southport Little Theatre on Saturday 2nd January, panto and times to be confirmed. Price will be £15 per person, if you are interested, please speak to Mrs Davies/Mrs Fairhurst and look out for the letter with the details to book your place, please note deadline is Friday 3rd April to book any places.



Homework Fun – Family Challenge.

This month's family challenge we are focusing on balance

March Challenge ~ can you balance on one leg?

Try to balance on one leg, time how long, and encourage and try to beat your last balance score. How long can you do?

Don't forget to send in a photo of balancing on one leg ~ for a chance to win this month's prize!

Community Dance Session at Worsley Mesnes CP School

Inspiring Healthy Lifestyles will be starting a dance group at Worsley Mesnes CP School every Thursday evening 4.40pm – 5.40pm, starting tomorrow, for children ages 7 – 11. Open to all our school community, all welcome, come along and join in! **£1 per session.**



Triple P – Positive Parenting Programme

Mrs Davies would like to run a Triple P course for parents/carers.

Triple P is a parenting and family support system designed to prevent/support behavioural/emotional problems in children. It aims to equip parents with the skills and confidence they need to be self-sufficient and to be able to manage family issues without ongoing support.

These sessions will be very informal, pop in for a coffee and enjoy the sessions – please let Mrs Davies know if you are interested.



Unify

Please remember, every Wednesday 8.30 – 8.55, Miss Ainscough will be in our Hippo Zone if you would like to pop in and join Unify.

Come along and start saving, just putting a small amount each week into a bank account will soon mount up to a good saving.

One of the most important things you can do is start a conversation with your child about money and the importance of savings. Let them know how to save up for things that they really want, in addition illustrate how much their money can grow over time if they save.

Let them bring in a little each week, for example 50p, and watch it grow!



Attendance Matters

At Worsley Mesnes your children's attendance is very important to us and we aim for every child to achieve 97+%.

Having an excellent attendance will help give your child the best possible start in life and achieve to their full potential.

This year if your child achieves 97+% attendance, they have the chance of winning an Amazon Fire 7 Tablet – all children achieving 97+% attendance will be entered into our prize draw at the end of this term, the draw will take place on Friday 3rd April.



At the end of the year, all children with 100% will take part in the activity/trip, along with the class with the highest percentage over the year.

Wigan Authority – Education Penalty Notice for Non-School Attenders

A letter has been sent home from Wigan Council regarding penalty notice for school non-attenders.

The local authority can issue a penalty notice to parents/carers if a child has missed a number of sessions without permission from school. If your child falls within one or more of these categories within a 12 week period

- 10 sessions (5 days) of unauthorised absence with under 90% attendance
- 20 sessions (10 days) of unauthorised absence
- Persistently arrives late for school after the close of registration.

For more information, or any questions please ask Mrs Davies.

If you are aware of anybody who is having difficulty accessing the information on our newsletter because of literacy or language difficulties, font size or colour of paper, please ask them to contact us and we will do what we can to help.

Dates for your diary

Updates are in **bold**

Date	Event	Notes
Every Wednesday	Unify Bank in our Hippo Zone 8:35am – 9:00am	
Friday 3 rd April	Prize draw to win Amazon Fire 7 Tablet – everyone with an attendance of over 97%.	
Monday 6 th April – Friday 17 th April	Easter Holidays	
Monday 20 th April	Back to School – 8.45am	
Tuesday 19th May	KS2 Sports Day – pm	
Wednesday 20th May	Reception & KS1 Sports Day – pm	
Tuesday 7th July	Year 6 Play 6pm	
Thursday & Friday 9th & 10th July	Transition Days in School	
Monday 13th July	Year 6 Presentation Evening 6pm	

