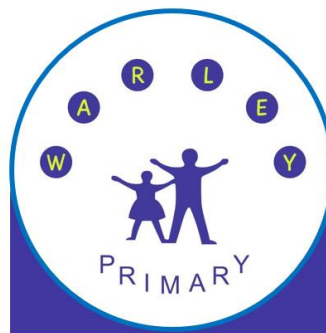


Warley News



Monday 25th January 2016

Weekly Attendance

The winners this week were **Year 4**. Well done!

Year R - 91.33% (26 absences)

Year 1 - 88.98% (28 absences)

Year 2 - 96.33% (11 absences)

Year 3 - 95.31% (15 absences)

Year 4 - 97.10% (9 absences)

Year 5 - 93.67% (19 absences)

Year 6 - 95.31% (15 absences)

The school attendance figure for this year stands at **96.68%**

The target for this year is to keep attendance above **97.3%**

Gold Book Assembly

This week the following children were nominated for entry into the Gold Book.

Well done to these children:

Ava Gibbs

Brooke Taylor

Beatrice Rose

Faye Burke

Ellis Sooprayen

Amber Goldstone

Brooke Bevan

Joe McDonnell

Ellie Hykaj

Warren Moran

Tayla Burrows

Elsie-May Daniel

Harrison Newman

Luca Patrick
Ethan Richardson
Dolly Richards
Joshua Goodey
Kevin Piazza
Sasha Mitchell
Rebecca Marsh
Jessica Knowles
Lily Daniel
Charley Cowell
George Gorsuch
Nermeena Ibrahim
William Scott

Key Stage Assessment Meetings

Many thanks to all parents who attended the Key Stage 1 and EYFS assessment information evening. Miss Sharp has emailed out information for those parents who were unable to attend.

The Key Stage 2 meeting will take place as follows:

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 - Thursday 4th February 2016: 5pm-6pm

We appreciate that it may be difficult to find childcare for this meeting. If no other arrangements can be made, children may attend as long as they are able to sit quietly in the library with a book, or an activity that they have brought with them. We will have an adult supervising.

Please try and attend this meeting. Thank you.

Parent Helpers for Forest School

Mrs King would be very grateful if any parents could volunteer to support with our Forest School sessions which take place on a Wednesday morning each week. Year 5 are currently attending Forest School.

Year 5 and Year 6 Residential Visit to Heatree, Devon.

You should have now received further information about the visit, including a kit list. **Please note that we forgot to include that children need to bring bedding with them. This was previously mentioned at the information meeting. Children will require either:**

A duvet cover and pillowcase or a sleeping bag and pillowcase.

School Uniform

Below are the results from the school uniform survey. We are still in talks with the uniform suppliers around colour schemes and a new logo. We hope to be able to reveal plans for the new uniform in the coming weeks.

Would you support a change to the current school uniform from September 2016?	Yes - 57% No - 9% Don't Mind - 34%
Do you think the current school logo presents an appropriate image of the school?	Yes - 34% No - 50% Don't Mind - 16%
Would you support a change to the school logo?	Yes - 68% No - 14% Don't Mind - 18%
Would you support a change to the PE kit to present a smarter image at sporting events?	Yes - 68% No - 11% Don't Mind - 20%
Which of the following options would you prefer when thinking about school shirts?	Polo - 70% Shirt/Tie - 30%
Which of the following would you prefer when thinking about cardigans and jumpers?	Current Sweater - 57% V neck knitted - 43%
Would you support a change to the colour scheme?	Yes - 42% No - 23% Don't Mind - 30%
Which uniform colour would you favour? Pick 3 from the following: Royal Blue (current) Navy Sky Blue Burgundy Dark Green Red Black Purple	Royal - 32% Sky Blue - 5% Navy - 34% Burgundy - 10% Dark Green - 15% Red - 5% Black - 0% Purple - 0%
Are you happy with our current uniform supplier - Smarty Pants Schoolwear?	Yes - 61% No - 23% Don't Mind - 16%

We had many interesting ideas mentioned for the design of the school logo. Many parents mentioned a shield or coat of arms/crest and this is something that we are considering. Two parents mentioned an eagle which links to the barracks and the land used as part of the barracks which the school is built on. An eagle previously featured on the school logo from the opening of the school in the early 80s until the mid-90s when the logo was changed. We are keen to link the eagle back into the logo in some way as the story associated with the eagle is an important part of local history. Below are the two comments from parents relating to the barracks?



Perhaps an eagle could be used as part of the badge. An important part of the history of Warley is the Essex Regiment and Warley Barracks. In 1812 the 2nd Battalion 44th Foot (stationed at Warley) captured the French standard depicting an eagle and this symbol was added to their badge. Just round the corner from our school is Eagle Way (once called Barrack Road). An eagle about to take flight could be symbolic of the children about to excel and grow whilst at school. There are lots of coat of arms that use eagles which, with a little redesigning, might be suitable for a school badge.

Something relating to the barracks, like the eagle they used to have for the logo.

Left: The old school logo.

Warley Ducks

The Warley ducks, Donald and Daisy, are happily settled in to their new home and are loving life exploring the nature area. The children seem very excited about this and the ducks are a lovely addition to the school community. In assembly today, I spoke to the children about the 'dos and don'ts' associated with the ducks and children are now fully aware of how to keep themselves safe around the ducks. In the coming months, the children will have the opportunity to help care for the ducks.

Mobile Phones

Please note that children should only bring mobile phones to school if they walk or cycle to or from school unaccompanied. Children are not allowed to use or look at their phone on site and this includes when they are on the playground. Any phones which are used by the children during the school day will be confiscated. Children should send their phone to the office for safekeeping as soon as they arrive in the classroom and the phone must be switched off. Pupils bringing phones to school do so at their own risk. I have advised children of this in assembly today and reminded them that actively using a phone whilst

walking to or from school could put them at risk of being approached by someone with the intention of theft.

Year 3 Fire Safety Talk

Last week all pupils took part in an informative Fire Safety talk which was delivered by Essex Fire Service. The children listened well and definitely benefitted from the advice that the officer was able to give.

I have attached a letter below from a local Beaver Scout group.

Mrs Evans x

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 28th January - Young Voices at the 02 (School Choir)

Thursday 4th February - Assessment and SATs meeting for years 3, 4, 5 and 6.

Friday 5th February - Whole School Woodland Welly Walk

Wednesday 10th February - Year 5 and Year 6 girls Cross Country event.

Friday 12th February - Reception 'Family Friday'

Friday 12th February - Last day of half-term

Monday 22nd February - Back to school

Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th February - Parents' Evenings

Tuesday 1st March - Cross Country at Weald Park - Years 3-6.

Monday 7th March - Mad Science Assembly

Friday 11th March - Reception 'Family Friday'

Monday 14th March - Residential Trip for Years 5 and 6.

Monday 21st March - Year 6 to Easter Cracked at Christchurch

Thursday 24th March - Last day of term.

1st Weald Brook Beaver Scout Colony www.1stwealdbrook.org.uk

January 2016

Hi,

My name is Bernadette Bateman and I am the Beaver Scout Leader at 1st Weald Brook Scout Group. We are based in Spital Lane and are one of the closest Scout Groups to Warley Primary. We are currently hoping to recruit girls and boys from the local area and have the 3 local schools represented more evenly within our Scout Group.

We have good availability from Summer 2018, and so would like to take the opportunity to invite parents of children born in 2012 and onwards to register their interest and add their names to the waiting list. Beavers is a group for children aged 6 to 8, and provides great opportunities to try new things, gain skills and grow in confidence. We do something different every week. You will find many photos from our meetings on our website www.1stwealdbrook.org.uk. To add your child's name to the waiting list, please click on the 'Join Us' tab and submit your details.

Otherwise please visit the Scouts website to add your name to all the waiting lists in the area.

As Bear Grylls says:

“Every child has the right to an adventure. Life is about grabbing opportunities”

Thank you for your time.

Yours In Scouting

Bernadette Bateman

“Brave Bear”

Beaver Scout Leader

