



Wrockwardine Wood Infant School and Nursery Newsletter

'Love, Laugh, Learn'

11 November 2024. Autumn Term: Week 9



A Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the second half of the autumn term! I hope you all had a restful break and are ready for the exciting weeks ahead as we edge closer to the festive season.

We wanted to share that the children have been creating some wonderful artwork linked to Remembrance Day. We hope you've enjoyed seeing some of their beautiful pieces displayed on our front gates. Today, the children and staff also joined together to pay our respects with a two-minute silence at 11 a.m., a thoughtful moment for everyone.

We are thrilled to welcome Mr. Ward, our new Crossbar coach, who will be delivering after-school sports clubs for KS1 starting next week. Mr. Ward joined us this week to meet the children and lead a lively lunchtime multi-sports session, which was a hit with everyone! We're looking forward to all the fun and skills the children will gain from his sessions.

The joyful sounds of Christmas are already filling our school, with children starting to practice their songs for the upcoming Nativities. It's lovely to see them getting into the festive spirit, and we know you'll be as excited as we are to watch their hard work come to life.

A big thank you to everyone who joined us for our first parents' coffee morning with the health visiting team. We hope the tips on sleep routines and healthy eating were helpful, and we're looking forward to offering more of these sessions in the future.

Finally, I often share updates, reminders, and news on our Facebook page—have you liked our page yet? It's a great way to stay connected and see all the wonderful things happening in our school community. <https://www.facebook.com/WrockwardineWoodInfant>

Wishing you all a lovely week ahead,

Kind regards,

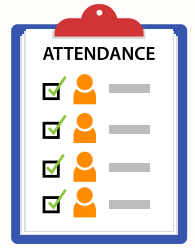
Mrs Jenny Gascoigne

Executive Headteacher





Attendance and Punctuality



Attendance award



This week the attendance cup winner is:

Swifts

99% attendance

Well done!

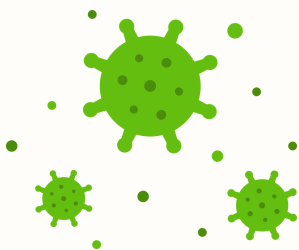


Attendance Updates

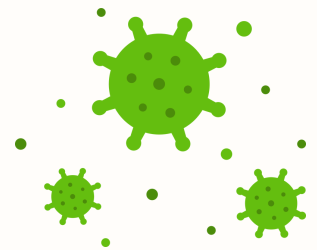
Do you ever think:

'Should I keep my child off school?'

Click the UK Health Security Agency image below to find out more.



Should I keep my
**child off
school?**



Christmas Performances



With only 8 weeks until Christmas, we are busy planning and preparing for all the wonderful festivities, including our Christmas Nativity performances! We are excited to announce that both EYFS and Key Stage 1 will be showcasing their performances this year:

- EYFS (Nursery and Reception) will be performing ***'The Nursery Rhyme Nativity'***
- Key Stage 1 (Year 1 and Year 2) will be performing ***'Simply the Nativity.'***

Please note:

- Parents and carers with young children are invited to attend the dress rehearsals.
- The main performances are reserved for parents/carers/adults only.

EYFS/Nursery and Reception <i>The Nest, Chicks 1, Chicks 2</i>	Monday 9 December 2024 10.00am	EYFS Nursery Rhyme Nativity DRESS REHEARSAL ✓ <i>Parents and carers with young children to attend today.</i>
	Tuesday 10 December 2024 10.00am	EYFS Nursery Rhyme Nativity MAIN PERFORMANCE ✓ <i>Parents/Carers/Adults Only</i>
Key Stage /Year 1 and Year 2 <i>Robins, Wrens Swifts, Swallows.</i>	Wednesday 11 December 2024 10am	KS1 'Simply the Nativity' DRESS REHEARSAL <i>Parents and carers with young children to attend today.</i>
	Thursday 12 December 2024 2pm	KS1 'Simply the Nativity' MAIN PERFORMANCE <i>Parents/Carers/Adults Only</i>
	Friday 13 December 2024 2pm	KS1 'Simply the Nativity' MAIN PERFORMANCE ✓ <i>Parents/Carers/Adults Only</i>

Golden Lunchbox



The Class that received the Golden Lunchbox award this week was:



Chicks 1

Well done for displaying our school expectations at Lunchtime and collecting the most pom poms!

Important reminders.

Reporting your child's absence.

Please call the school office on **01952 387860** before **8:40am**.

Should you require to collect your child early from school for an appointment could

you please bring an appointment card or letter into the school office.



Collections.

In order to keep your child safe if we have not been notified in advance of any change in collection arrangements we will not allow your child to leave without contacting you first.



Pre-Loved Uniform Sale



Watch this space for the next date!



Click on the image to access our page



Early Help



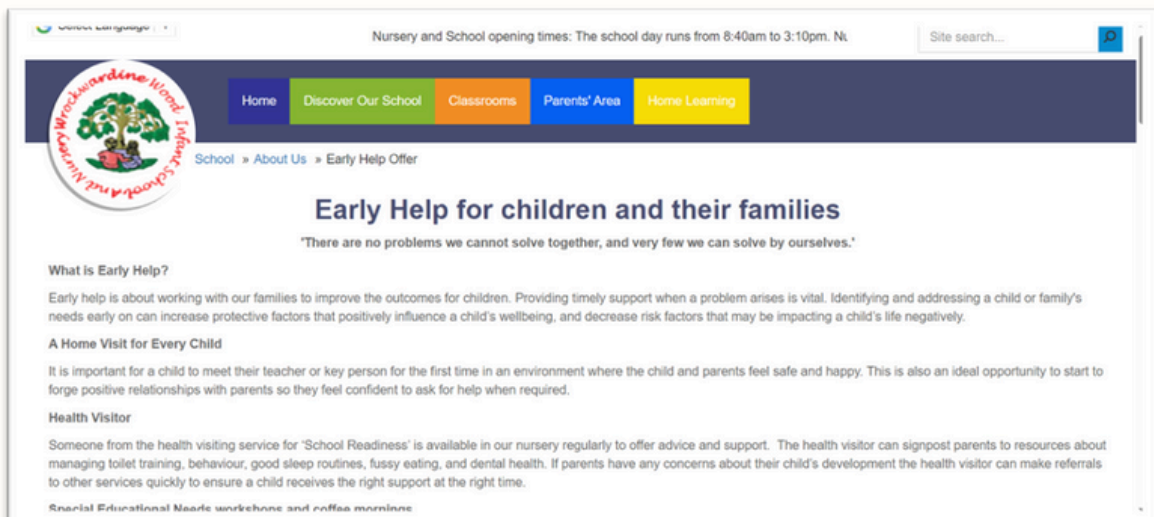
'There are no problems we cannot solve together, and very few we can solve by ourselves.'

Did you know?

We have an Early Help Page on our website?

Access it here by clicking on the link below:

<https://www.wrockwardinewoodinfant.org.uk/discover-our-school/about-us/early-help-offer>



Odd Socks Day – Tuesday 12 November

Anti-Bullying Week is coordinated in England and Wales by the Anti-Bullying Alliance and takes place from 11 to 15 November 2024.

The children will be learning to recognise signs of bullying and what to do if themselves or others need help. We will introduce **STOP** to help remember bullying is:

Several Times On Purpose and to always tell a grown up.

On Tuesday 12 November the children are encouraged to wear odd socks to school. This is an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what

makes us all unique!



WOW

The Walk to School Challenge



We are excited to introduce the **WOW Travel Tracker** at our school as part of the WOW Walk to School Initiative. This innovative program encourages children to walk to school and rewards them for their active travel choices. Each day, children will log how they travel to school, and those who walk, cycle, or scoot at least once a week will receive special badges to celebrate their efforts.

Not only does this initiative help keep our children active and healthy, but it also teaches them about the importance of sustainable travel. Every step counts towards creating healthier lifestyles and a cleaner environment.

We encourage everyone to join in and make a positive impact by choosing an active way to travel whenever possible. Let's work together to make our school a healthier and greener place!

Click on the image below to find out more.





A Thank you message from the Church.

I would like to extend a thank you from the PCC of Holy Trinity Church Wrockwardine Wood for your amazing collection of food from the staff, parents, and children which we have put into the church for the work of our foodbank.

We are often humbled by the generosity of others and your donation has certainly blown us away. We are providing around 30 parcels a month and this donation will go a long way to helping us help those who come in to us in need.

Please do pass on our thanks to everyone who supplied something for the harvest collection and of course should you know of anyone who might be in need of our help in any way do send them over to us.

The church is open each morning Tuesday through Thursday between 9.00am and 12.00noon and there is always someone available to help.

Kerry Debenham
Administrator East Telford Benefice



Reporting Attainment and Progress.



We are pleased to inform you that the termly progress reports for your child will be sent home on **Thursday 21 November**. These reports provide valuable insights into your child's progress and achievements this term.

Additionally, our parent-teacher consultations are scheduled for the week commencing **25 November**. These meetings offer an excellent opportunity to discuss your child's learning in more detail.

For parents of children in The Nest (Nursery), we will be holding a special "Stay and Play" session during the week commencing **25 November**. This session allows you to join in with your child's learning activities and see their progress first hand.

We will send further communication with specific dates and times for consultations and Stay and Play on **Tuesday 12 November**.

 Date	Key Dates 
7 November-12 December	EYFS Family Learning Festive Crafts
11 November	Flu Vaccine
11 November	Remembrance Day
11-15 November	Anti-Bullying Week/Friendship week
12 November	Odd Sock day - <i>please wear odd socks to school.</i> https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week-2024-choose-respect/odd-socks-day/what-odd-socks-day
13 November	World Kindness Day
14 November	Year 1 Educational Visit to Blist Hill.
15 Novemeber	Children in Need <i>Children and staff are invited to come to school in something yellow, or spotty or both! Donations welcome for Children in need.</i>
18-22 November	World Nursery Rhyme Week
21 November	Progress reports out to parents
W/C 25 November	The Nest/Nursery Parent Carer Stay and Play sessions <i>More details to follow</i>
W/C 25 November	Parent/Teacher Consultations - Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 <i>More details to follow</i>
29 Novmeber	Non uniform day - bring a bottle for the bottle tombola at the Christmas Fayre.
4 December	Farm on Wheels 'Nativity Animals' in school: The Nest (Nursery) Chicks 1 and Chicks 2 (Reception)
5 December	Chicks 1 and Chicks 2 (Reception) Educational Visit to Weston 
6 December 3:15- 5:30pm	 Friends of Wrockwardine Wood Christmas Fayre

Don't forget to find out about your child's learning this week from the class page on the website.



Go to: <https://www.wrockwardinewoodinfant.org.uk>
and click on the 'Classrooms' tab

**Term
Dates
for more
term dates
please here.**



Poppies on Sale After Half Term

After half term, we will be supporting the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal by selling poppies in school. Children are welcome to bring in a small donation if they would like to purchase a poppy. Selected Year 2 children will come around during Storytime to offer poppies to the classes, and a member of staff will also be available on the playground at the end of the day for parents and carers who would like to contribute.

Thank you for your support in helping us remember and honor those who have served.



Some upcoming learning events



Online Safety

Do you need suggestions on age appropriate games?

You could use either of the following websites to search suitable games. Remember, PEGI rates the gameplay so whilst it is important to review age ratings, you must also check if it has a communication feature as this might mean you decide a game is not suitable for your child.

<https://www.askaboutgames.com/find-the-right-game>

<https://www.familygamingdatabase.com/home>



Among Us



This game has been rated as PEGI 7, meaning it is not suitable for those under the age of 7. However, whilst the gameplay may be suitable, there are communication features available, where issues such as inappropriate language and bullying may arise. Additionally, it is important to note that Among Us does have the option for in app purchases so please ensure that a password (that your child does not know) is required for all purchases.

Find out more about Among Us from Parent Zone:

<https://parentzone.org.uk/article/among-us>

Screen time and your family

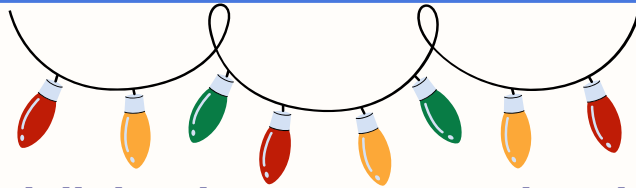
Vodafone discuss screen time and what you should consider when setting your own rules in this useful article:

<https://www.vodafone.co.uk/newscentre/smart-living/digital-parenting/screen-time-and-your-family-a-guide-to-what-works-and-what-doesnt/>





The Friends of Wrockwardine Wood Christmas Fayre



We are delighted to announce that the Friends of Wrockwardine Wood Infant School and Nursery PTFA are busy organising a fantastic Christmas Fayre!

This festive event will take place on:

Friday 6 December from 3:15-5:30pm

To help support the Fayre, we will be holding a non-uniform day on **Friday 29 November**. On this day, we kindly ask that children come to school in non-uniform and bring a bottle for our bottle tombola.



Additionally, we are reaching out to local businesses for raffle prize donations. If you know of any local business that might be able to donate a prize, we would really appreciate your help in connecting us with them.



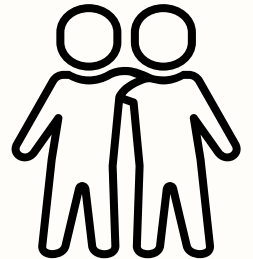
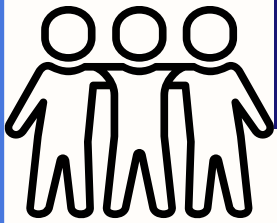
Thank you for your ongoing support. We're looking forward to a wonderful, festive event and hope to see you all there!



The Friends of Wrockwardine Wood PTFA

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Are you interested in getting more involved in school life and helping to make a difference for our children?

If so, we would love to invite you to join our PTFA –
**The Friends of Wrockwardine Wood Infant School
and Nursery.**

The PTFA plays a vital role in organising events, raising funds, and supporting our school community in many ways. Whether you can give a little time or a lot, your help and ideas are always welcome! It's a great way to meet other parents, get involved in fun activities, and make a positive impact on our children's experience at school.

If you would like to join or learn more, please register your interest by completing the MS form by clicking on the link:

<https://forms.office.com/e/24HRg5kK0H>

We look forward to hearing from you!