



Wrockwardine Wood Infant School and Nursery Newsletter

'Love, Laugh, Learn'

04 October 2024. Autumn Term: Week 5



A Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a fantastic week, with some wonderful educational visits taking place! Our Year 1 geographers have been busy exploring the local area, identifying human and physical features, while Year 2 children had an exciting day in Ironbridge, deepening their understanding of landscapes and environments through fieldwork. These opportunities allowed the children to enhance their locational awareness by using maps, following routes, and observing features first-hand.

I was also delighted to visit all the classes on Friday to observe the teaching of writing. It was wonderful to see the children displaying such impressive learning powers, particularly resilience and resourcefulness, as they tackled their writing tasks. I'm pleased with the progress they are making in developing their writing skills. Keep up the great work!

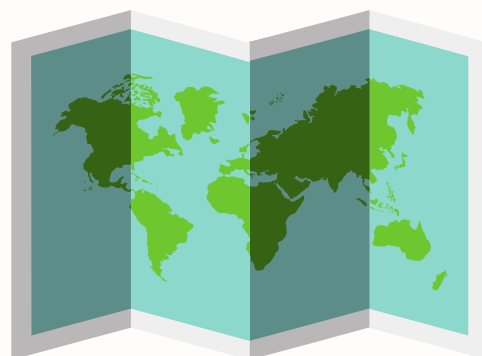
A quick reminder to all parents to stay up to date with the latest news and information through our [Parents Hub](#). Additionally, we are still collecting feedback from Nursery and Reception parents about your induction experiences. Your thoughts are invaluable in helping us improve the process for future families, so please do take a moment to share your feedback via [this feedback form](#).

Have a great weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs Jenny Gascoigne

Executive Headteacher





Attendance and Punctuality



ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Every school day counts BUT every minute is equally important!

Attendance award



This Weeks attendance cup winners were:

Wrens

100% attendance

Well done Wrens!



Attendance Updates

Do you want to know more about school attendance and punctuality?

Check out the latest communication from

Mrs Gascoigne on our communication

<https://www.wrockwardinewoodinfant.org>

[.uk/parents-arealparentscarer-communication-hub](https://www.wrockwardinewoodinfant.org.uk/parents-arealparentscarer-communication-hub)

There is also more information on the attendance and punctuality page on our website:

<https://www.wrockwardinewoodinfant.org>

[.uk/discover-our-school/about-us/attendance-and-punctuality](https://www.wrockwardinewoodinfant.org.uk/discover-our-school/about-us/attendance-and-punctuality)

Pre-Loved Uniform Sale



Sale



We will be holding a pre-loved uniform sale in the school hall on:

**Friday 11 October
@ 3:10pm**

All items are priced at £1 each
(cash only)

See you there!



Click on the image to access our page



Important reminders.

Reporting your child's absence.

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

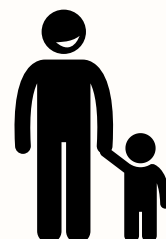
Should you require to collect your child early from school for an appointment could

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.





Early Help



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

We're pleased to introduce our new Early Help page on our weekly newsletter.

This page serves as a helpful resource for parents, signposting a range of services, workshops, and groups that offer support for families. Whether you're seeking advice or just looking for some extra guidance, the Early Help page is there to connect you with useful information and opportunities. Also check out the [Early Help Page](#) on our website.



Mrs Gascoigne
Executive Headteacher &
Early Help Lead

Meet our Learning Mentor

Hello! My name is Miss Teale, and I am delighted to introduce myself as the Learning Mentor here at Wrockwardine Wood Infant School and Nursery. My role is to support the wellbeing, emotional development, and learning of all our children, as well as to offer guidance and help to families where needed.

I am here to support children in many ways, whether it's building confidence, managing feelings, or developing positive friendships. I work closely with the teaching staff to ensure that every child feels happy and supported in school. For families, I can provide a listening ear, advice on managing challenges at home, or even point you in the direction of extra support.

If you think your child would benefit from some additional help or you'd like to have a chat, please feel free to get in touch through the school office or catch me on the playground.

I look forward to meeting you and working together to ensure that every child thrives.

Best wishes,
Miss Teale
Learning Mentor



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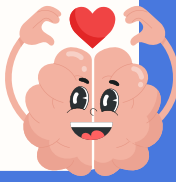
ERIC Talking about Potty Training – parent / carer event 10th October 2024 • 19.00 - 21.00 • via Zoom

Join us for our Potty Training webinar led by our Family Services Team where we will outline our evidence based 3 step approach, involving preparation to use the potty, practising potty skills before eventually stopping using nappies as your child gains confidence. We will be sharing useful resources which will help support you and your child on their potty training journey.

We will also be discussing some commonly asked questions about how to potty train including:

The best age for potty training and when to start, The equipment you will need, Potty refusal, How to manage accidents. Click the link to find out more: [Talking about Potty Training - parent / carer event - ERIC](#)

Sports and Wellbeing



After School Club Interest for Key Stage 1

(Year 1: Wrens and Robins; Year 2: Swallows and Swifts)

Dear Parents,

We are excited to explore the possibility of starting after-school sports clubs for our children and would love your input.

To help us tailor the program, we would appreciate it if you could let us know which sports your child would be interested in participating in.

Some options are football, multisport, dodgeball and gymnastics. Additionally, please indicate how many sessions you would be willing to pay for, with each session lasting one hour at a cost of £3.50.

Your feedback will be invaluable in helping us create a program that meets the interests and needs of the children.

Thank you for your support, and we look forward to hearing from you!

<https://forms.office.com/e/EDxi4iHFt8?origin=lprLink>

Best wishes,

Miss Bilton
PE Subject Lead



Safety Squad

Meet the PSHEE Subject Leader!

I'm excited to introduce our school's **Safety Squad!** Made up of representatives from each class, they wear special T-shirts when carrying out their role to ensure they're easily visible. Their role is to act as ambassadors for all children, promoting safety and kindness across our school.

The Safety Squad meets with me regularly to discuss important themes such as kind friendships during Anti-Bullying Week, road safety, staying safe on Bonfire Night, and online safety, among others. Our safeguarding champions also play an active part in school assemblies to share these important messages.

Best wishes,
Miss Garner



Miss Garner
Assistant Headteacher &
PSHEE Subject Leader

Safety Squad

SECURITY CHECKS



Yellow Lanyard

If an adult is wearing a yellow lanyard, they are visiting our school and we are safe to work with them.



Red Lanyard

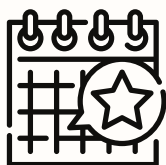
If an adult is wearing a red lanyard, they are not here to work with us and should always be with an adult who works in school.



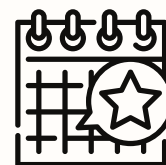
Black Lanyard

If an adult is wearing a black lanyard, they work in our school and we can talk and work with them.





Key Dates



Date	Event
23 September	Harvest collections from today
1 October	Black History Month
3 October	National Poetry Day
9 October	School Photo Day <i>(More details to follow.)</i>
10 October	World Mental Health Day
14 October	Recycle Week
21-22 October	Year 2 Residential to Edmond Hall Click here for more information
W/C 21 October	Diwali activities
21 October	Apple Day
25 October	Last Day of Autumn first half term
28 October - 1 November	Half term
4 November	Return to School
11 November	Flu Vaccine. More information to follow.

For more term dates please click [here](#).

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

Harvest

Thank you for your kind donations we are delighted with how generous our families have been.

The children will be taking our donations over to the church food bank when we visit for the harvest festival.



World Mental Health Day

Thursday 10 October is World Mental Health Day.



To raise awareness of this day children will be taking part in:

- *Mindfulness activities in the classrooms, such as yoga and breathing techniques.*
- *A Wellbeing Walk, observing the natural world within our school environment.*

To find our more click [here](#).

School Photo Day

Tempest Photography will be in school on Wednesday 9 October. world mental health day

Please be advised that all children are required to come in school uniform on this day.

There will be no PE for:
Swifts and Swallows
on Wednesday 9 October.



School Admissions 2025



Reception & Junior Applications



For Reception or those transferring from Infant to Junior (Year 3) in September 2025, applications will be available via the Telford & Wrekin website from **12th September 2024**.

All parents will need to apply via the parent portal.

How to apply for a place in Year 3 in September 2025 (Infant to Junior transfer)

As your child is attending an infant school, you will need to apply for a junior school place in Year 3 for September 2025. To apply for a junior school place you must apply online at www.telford.gov.uk/admissions.

The closing date for all applications is **15 January 2025** or **31 October 2024** for children with an Education, Health and Care Plan. If you do not have access to a computer, you can go to your local library and use their computer facilities.

You can find out more information on www.telford.gov.uk/admissions where you will be able to find our Guide to Primary School Admissions.

Alternatively, please contact School Admissions at admissions@telford.gov.uk



Starting School?



How to apply for a Reception Place for September 2025

Please scroll to the next page...



Apply online
NOW



Starting school?

Closing date for applications:
15 January 2025

If your child has an Education, Health & Care Plan (EHCP) the closing date is **31 October 2024**.

www.telford.gov.uk/admissions

- You **must** apply if your child was born between 1 September 2020 – 31 August 2021.
- You **must** apply even if your child is attending a nursery or pre-school on a school site or you have a child already attending the school.
- You are advised to list four schools on your application form, including your catchment area/nearest school.
- Attending a nursery does **not** guarantee a school place.
- School places are allocated in line with oversubscription criteria.
- See website for more information **www.telford.gov.uk/admissions** or contact School Admissions at **admissions@telford.gov.uk**



Online Safety



*Sing with
me!*



**“Before you tap
and click,**

**You need to stop
and think,**

**And TELL
someone!”**





The Friends of Wrockwardine Wood Pumpkin Disco



Year 1 and 2/Key Stage 1 Robins, Wrens, Swifts and Swallows

Wednesday 23rd October
3:30 – 4:30pm

Dress up (no masks please), dance and have fun with your friends and Disco Daddy.

Please can children bring their clothes in a named carrier bag, they will then get changed in their classroom and their class teacher will take the children to the disco in the school hall at 3:30pm.

Collection will be from the playground at 4:30pm

To book your tickets, please complete the return slip on the letter that has been sent home this week. Click [here](#) to access this communication.

Tickets £1.50

Reception/ Chicks 1 and 2 pumpkin disco



Wednesday 23rd October

2:00pm-3:00pm

Dress up (no masks please), dance, play games and have fun with your friends.

Please can children bring their clothes in a named carrier bag, they will then get changed in their classroom.

Collection from school at the usual time of 3:10pm
No tickets required.