



# Wrockwardine Wood C of E Junior School

## 'Wrockers' Weekly

'Love, Laugh and Learn'

This Half Terms Value — Joy

Friday 10th January 2025

### Welcome Back!

I hope that everyone had a lovely Christmas with family and friends. The children have made an incredible start to 2025 and have come back to school keen and eager to learn. Our focus in class this half term is Art and I am very excited about seeing all of the wonderful work produced by the children in lessons and as homework. We launched staff sketch books this term so that the teachers can showcase and demonstrate skills and techniques to the children more easily. On the PD Day staff created the first page of their sketch books which they will be sharing with their classes over the next few weeks.



### Dates for your Diary

#### Thurs 23rd Jan

Walsall Art Gallery Trip Year 6

#### Thurs 30th Jan

Shrewsbury Art Gallery Trip Year 4

#### Thurs 6th Feb

Wolverhampton Art Gallery Year 3

#### Monday 10th Feb

School Dinner Tasting Session Year 5  
Parents—letter to follow

#### Friday 14th Feb

Art competition closes

### Zoe's Hero Arm

Thank you to everyone for supporting Zoe in raising funds for her new bionic arm. Just before Christmas Zoe and some of her friends were interviewed by Radio Shropshire and appeared on the BBC website. Zoe shared her thanks and appreciation for all of the support she has had in getting her new arm which enables her to do so many more things—such as skipping.

[Girl skips for first time after getting bionic arm - BBC News](#)



### Spring 1 – Laugh: Joy

This half term, we are focusing on the Christian Value of **joy**.

Joy is the feeling of great pleasure and happiness, that often comes from the act of someone else.

Outside of school, children might demonstrate **joy** in the following ways:

- Smile. One of the easiest ways to bring others joy is simply by smiling at them.
- Helping someone in need
- Spending time with someone who needs company
- Showing that you are thankful for something by writing a thank you letter
- Using manners





### Trauma Informed Bronze Award

In Autumn we achieved the Bronze Level for the trauma informed award. The criteria for the Bronze Level award is:

- a review of current attachment and trauma informed practice (i.e. via the audit)
- completion of whole staff training (offered for free by Telford and Wrekin Virtual School) or with another approved provider.
- identification of a lead practitioner (i.e. Designated Teacher)
- evidence that staff are aware of the effect of trauma and attachment (i.e. through training).



Well done to Miss Ashley, Mrs Williams and Mrs Brindley-Jones for all of their hard work and support offered to the children through our fantastic pastoral provision and bespoke PSHE curriculum.

We hope soon to apply for our silver and gold awards.

Happy New Year and welcome back to school! It has been lovely to see so many of you back in school and enjoying spending time with you classmates. We are the closest we have ever been to reaching our target of 97% whole school attendance this week, big push next week ...I know we can do it.

Congratulations to 3B who accumulated the most Dojo points for attendance last half term and enjoyed extra play on our adventure playground.

Also, huge congratulations to our two prize draw winners, who I'm sure will enjoy spending their Smyths toy store vouchers.

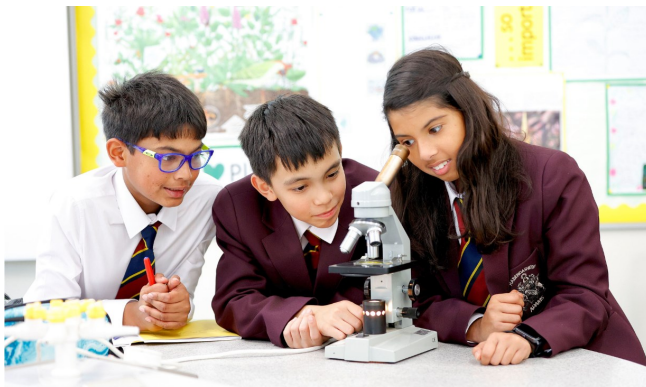
**ATTENDANCE LEAGUE**

Week ending: 10.01.2025

Whole School: 96.6 Target 97%

Class	%	Target achieved	Dojos
3B	99	😊	3
3LB	98	😊	3
4T	96	😞	0
4C	98	😊	3
5B	97	😊	3
5H	91	😞	0
6S	97	😊	3
6KS	93	😞	0
6D	99	😊	3

Be an Attendance **HERO**  
Here, Everyday, Ready, On Time



## Parent information session

**5th March 2025 - 8:50-9:30am**  
**@ Wrockwardine Wood Junior School**



Parents & families of Year 4 and 5 pupils are invited to join Dr Hibbs, Head of Outreach to find out more about Haberdashers' Adams Grammar School, the admissions process and entrance test

 <https://www.adamsgs.uk/join-us-year-7/>

### Where's Nala?

Nala is hiding again on one of the pages. If you spot her, write your answer with your name and class on a piece of paper and place it in the box outside the office. A name is drawn from the entries and wins some chocolate. Good luck!



### The Wrockwardine Wood CE Junior School "Living life in all its fullness" challenge.

This week's challenge is to: **Go on a winter nature scavenger hunt. What can you discover?**

We would love to see your photos please email them to: [a3129@telford.gov.uk](mailto:a3129@telford.gov.uk) or DoJo to your class teacher.





## Paint in the style of your favourite artist!

- For this competition, your job is to paint in the style of your favourite artist. This does not mean you copy their work. You will be using their ideas or style to create your own art.
- You can use any medium you would like (paint, pencil, colour, collage, digital etc)
- Your artwork can be as big or small as you would like.
- The plan is for an exhibition to take place of all the artworks that are submitted to celebrate your hard work.
- There will be an opportunity for the Arts Council to vote for the winner.
- The winning artwork and runners up will be displayed in the school.
- **All artworks must be given to Miss Byrne.**
- Include on the back of your artwork who you were inspired by, what your artwork is called and your name/class.
- **The closing date for entries is Friday 14<sup>h</sup> February**





What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

# ROBLOX



With more than 150 million users worldwide, Roblox is one of the most popular video games of recent times. Roblox allows users to create their own gaming experiences using Roblox Studio: building levels and games then allowing other people to play them. Similarly, players can play each other's creations, either on their own or with other people online. While it's a tool that can help foster creative thinking, Roblox is also intermittently in the news amid concerns over young users' safety.

## No Age Rating

Roblox is rated 7+ by PEGI, but the platform itself doesn't have a minimum age requirement. It does ask for a date of birth when registering, but this can be easily fabricated. The sheer quantity of games available on Roblox means that some will fall into teen/adult categories. Users can also interact with each other freely – and the game has, historically, attracted scammers, griefers and online predators.



## Chat Functionality

Users can join group chats with almost anyone through the Chat & Party function. While the chat has some filters, predators still try to find ways around these to prey on young children. There have been recent reports of adults pretending to be children, attempting to groom younger players and encouraging them to chat privately in an unmoderated environment away from the game.

## In-App Purchases

Robux is the in-game currency used to buy things like special outfits or emotes, and to play certain sections of the game. A subscription service (costing £4.99 per month) called Roblox Premium offers more privileges and more in-game currency. Robux can also be purchased in batches, for up to £4.99. Children can easily pay for these, or purchase a membership, without realising it.



## ODers

An 'ODer' (online dater) joins Roblox to find someone to 'date' online. While there's nothing inherently wrong with finding love on the internet, it becomes an issue in a space that's populated by children and young teens, like Roblox. Online dating is against Roblox's community guidelines, but certain player-built games on the platform are specifically for 'ODers' and should be avoided by children.

## Online Predators

Roblox's developers aim to maintain a safe place for children; they employ human moderators for their players' protection. But there will, sadly, always be individuals who try to bypass these safeguards so they can chat to children and attempt to communicate outside the game. Anyone asking for your child's personal information or to talk privately should be blocked and reported.



## Advice for Parents & Carers

### Take Note of Ratings

Recent press reports drew attention to Roblox's issues with potentially offensive content. Some players were using Roblox Studio to create games featuring nudity, sexual activity and extreme political views. In response, Roblox is introducing a ratings system which will rank content by age appropriateness, with clear warnings if a game is not suitable for younger players.



### Set Parental Controls

Roblox has controls that allow parents to moderate who their children can talk to and which games they can play. To enable these, add your email address to your child's account through the security menu, and create a secure PIN to stop settings being tampered with. Then head into the Privacy menu where you can apply moderation to in-game chat, personal messages, invites and more.

### Disable Messages

It's advisable to block all messaging if you have concerns over your child's safety. If they're playing with friends they know in real life, encourage them to chat in another way (like on the phone), so you know exactly who they're talking to and how. Accounts can be tweaked to allow messages from specific groups of people, such as friends or users that your child follows.



### Block and Report

To report players in a game, find the Roblox symbol on screen (or the 'Settings' button on some devices), identify the offending player and click the flag icon. Clarify why the player is being reported by choosing a reason from the list. If you think a particular game is inappropriate, you can also flag it for a moderator to check by following the same steps but selecting 'Game' instead of 'Player'.



### Encourage Creativity

It could prove a little too complex for younger children, but Roblox Studio is a great place to start learning the fundamentals of game design. Many budding developers have created Roblox games which have become popular among the community. There are plenty of tutorials on making games on sites like YouTube. You never know, your child's creation might be the next big thing!



### Meet Our Expert

Mark Foster has worked in the gaming industry for several years as a writer, editor and presenter. He is the gaming editor of two of the biggest gaming news sites in the world, UNLAD Gaming and GAMINGible. Starting gaming from a young age with his siblings, he has a passion for understanding how games and tech work, but more importantly, how to make them safe and fun.



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