



Wrockwardine Wood C of E Junior School

'Wrockers' Weekly

This Half Terms Value — Wisdom

Friday 2nd May 2025

Welcome Back!

We have had an amazing first week back, the children have settled really well after their wellbeing welcome on Tuesday. The weather has been glorious and it has been great that all the children can now use the field at lunchtime. We look forward to the term ahead and all of the exciting events and experiences the children will be participating in.

Year 4 visit Fordhall Farm

On Thursday, we went to Fordhall farm, which is organic. It was fun and fascinating because we learnt different things about the farm and their animals (cows, pigs and sheep). We found out how worms help the soil. We went on a scavenger hunt for bugs but surprisingly we found frogs and lizards too! We fed cows and piglets. I had the best time. Our instructor, Mike, used a chicken noise to let us know when it was time to come back. After our hunt, we made clay versions of our favourite bugs and found a habitat for them.

Did you know at Fordhall farm all the pieces of animals are used? The bits we can't eat are turned into dog food! By AG 4T



Dates for your Diary

Monday 5th May

Bank Holiday

Thursday 8th May

VE Day Celebrations

Thursday 8th May

Year 3 trip Shrewsbury

Monday 12th May

SATs Week

Monday 19th May

Year 5 and 6 Maths parent shadowing

Monday 19th May

Year 6 Parents Lunch

Tuesday 20th May

Year 5 trip Sabrina Boat

Tuesday 20th May

6D Maths parent shadowing

Weds 21st May

Year 3 and 4 Maths parent shadowing

Thursday 22nd May

Year 6 trip Blists Hill

Thursday 22nd May

Break Up

Summer 1 – Learn: Wisdom

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

Wisdom is the quality of having experience, knowledge, and good judgement; the quality of being wise.

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

- Using good judgement in a challenging situation
- Sharing their knowledge with someone
- Showing their sensible, wise thinking in a challenging situation



VE Day Celebration at School

On Thursday 8th May, we are going to be celebrating VE Day to mark the 80th anniversary of the end of World War II in Europe. **The children are invited to wear red, white and blue for a £1 donation to raise money for a local veterans' charity.** Throughout the day, there will be a street-party themed lunch and a range of fun activities for the children to enjoy, all focused on remembering and celebrating this important day in history. Additionally, we are hoping to invite local veterans to come into school for a question and answer session with some of our children. If you know of any veterans who would be happy to share their experiences and answer questions, please get in touch with us. We look forward to a day of learning, reflection and celebration!



Year 4 Forest Schools

Year 4 had their first forest school session this week with Mrs Cartwright. It was lovely to see all of the beautiful bluebells that have grown over the Easter holidays.



They were absolutely amazing and enjoyed creating shelters for woodland animals thinking about how to keep them safe, warm, dry and allowing them a clear entrance and exit. The children will develop their skills at making shelter over the half term and then face the final challenge of building a shelter for themselves to withstand an

approaching storm! Lets see how many of them get caught out by the rain!

Reminders:

While we are having the lovely hot weather please remember to:

- Send your child with a water bottle that is full of water
- Put 24 hr sun cream on before they come to school
- Bring a hat or sunglasses for being outside.
- Wear school summer uniform—gingham dress, tailored shorts. PE kit on PE days only



Attendance

ATTENDANCE LEAGUE

Week ending: 02.5.25

Whole School: 95.2% Target 97%

Class	This week's %	Target achieved	Dojos
3B	96	No	0
3LB	95	No	0
4T	93	No	0
4C	97	Yes	3
5B	94	No	0
5H	96	No	0
6S	94	No	0
6KS	100	Yes	3
6D	90	No	0



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

Free After School Clubs

There are still a few places left for some of the free after school clubs this half term. Please see the clubs timetable for which clubs are free and available and if your child has not yet sent in a slip to request a club, please send one in. If your child has a place, you should have received a text message to confirm. Spare copies of the timetable are available from the office.

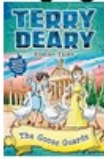


I ♥ READING


This half term, our children are reading these books in their love to read lessons and at story time. If they're enjoying them, here are some related suggestions for books they may want to try!

Year 3

If you're enjoying this:



Why not try these:



- The Time Driver by GA Franks
- Rome and Romans - The Usborne Time Traveller
- Rotton Romans by Terry Deary

Year 4

If you're enjoying this:




Why not try these:




Goodnight Mister Tom by Michelle Magorian
 Stig of the Dump by Clive King
 Greenwild: The City Beyond The Sea by Part Thompson

Year 5

If you're enjoying this:




Why not try these:




Peter Pan by JM Barrie
 The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett
 The Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain

Year 6

If you're enjoying this:



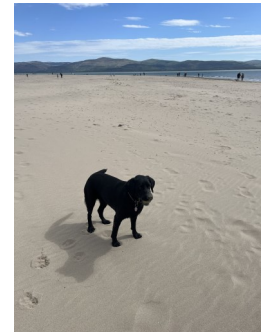
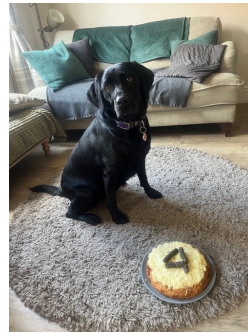
Why not try these:



Wonder by RJ Palacio
 The Railway Children by E Nesbit
 The Secret Lake by Karen Inglis

Nala is 4!!

Over the Easter holidays Nala, our school dog, turned 4 years old. We are not quite sure where the time has gone! She had a wonderful birthday eating her special doggy cake and visiting the seaside. Nala loves running on the beach and retrieving her ball from the sea. She was very tired when she got home and slept lots on her mum's bed, but only after her bath to remove all of the sand she had collected in her paws and fur!



MFL Phrase of the Week!

Here is our French phrase of the week!

We hope you enjoy practising and learning it at home!

Où habites-tu ?

**Where do
you live?**



Brilliant Brownie Badges

IH has been awarded her Explorer Stage 2 badge and My Rights badge at Brownies. On explorer stage 2 she did an obstacle course with ropes and practised tying knots. For her My Rights badge she learnt about her rights and made a kite with all of the rights children have on it. Well done I, you are a star :0)



Active Families!

Here is an idea for a quick, active and fun activity you could carry out with your family this weekend! We hope you enjoy!

Traffic Lights

What you need: an adult to call the instructions



Get Set 4
Education

How to play:

- Children imagine they are getting in the car, putting their seatbelt on and holding their steering wheel.
- They complete the instructions said by the adult e.g.
- Green light: jog around
- Red light: stop
- Yellow light: sit down
- Roundabout: spin a circle
- Speed bumps: jump up and down
- Zebra crossing: lie in a straight shape
- Reverse: walk backwards



Have a go at making up your own. You could even include different gears for different speeds.

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

This week's challenge is to:

Make a bug hotel!

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



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NEWPORT DROP IN



Every Thursday 10am-12noon
at The Hub, Newport

- Advice and signposting
- Information on parenting/courses
- Support and guidance around accessing local community activities
- Family Hubs information



Problem of the week

Can you work out the values of each shape?

$$\text{Red Square} + \text{Orange Triangle} = 8$$

$$\text{Orange Triangle} + \text{Orange Triangle} = 6$$

$$\text{Red Square} \times \text{Yellow Circle} = 60$$

$$\text{Yellow Circle} - \text{Purple Star} = 4$$

$$\text{Purple Star} \times \text{Purple Star} =$$

Challenge:

Make your own and see whether yours appears on next week's newsletter :-)

Classroom in the clouds



We were delighted to be joined by Mike from a charity called Classroom in the Clouds, on Tuesday morning. Mike visited us to explain a little about his charity and to teach the children about what daily life was like for children living in Nepal. Mike's charity supports schools in Nepal with hiring teachers, and helps them with their curriculum content. Our children listened beautifully and were fascinated listening to Mike explain how school life looks in Nepal. Although these children have so little, we were all humbled by how much joy and compassion these children had. Lots of children recognised that our school Christian values were just as evident in school in Nepal.



We hope to continue this very special link with Classroom in the Clouds and hope to work with them more closely in the future so watch this space...

E Safety Support

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many devices which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit nationalcollege.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

SMARTPHONE SAFETY TIPS

for young people

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You may have been lucky enough to have unwrapped a smartphone at Christmas, or you might be eagerly anticipating getting a new one at some point during this year. Whether it'll be your first ever phone or an upgrade on your old model, it's always useful to have a refresher about how to set it up and adjust the settings to keep yourself – and your valuable personal info – safe and secure. We've collected some expert tips to help you enjoy your smartphone in the healthiest way possible.

NEVER SHARE YOUR PASSCODE

Alongside face or fingerprint recognition, your passcode is crucial to unlocking your phone and accessing your apps and personal information. You shouldn't give it out, even to close friends – after all, you wouldn't hand them a key to your house and let them go in for a nosey around! If a friend wants to use your phone, ask them why and make sure you can see what they're doing with it.

RESPECT PARENTAL CONTROLS

If you're allowed to have a smartphone, it's because your parents or carers feel that you're mature and responsible enough to use it safely. They might set controls and boundaries on your device – not to spoil your fun but to help you avoid hazards like too much screen time or costly in-app purchases. Following these rules means you can enjoy using your phone while respecting their wishes.

TALK TO A TRUSTED ADULT

Whether it's to listen to music, play games, create content or chat with friends, using a smartphone should be fun. If you're ever feeling anxious, worried or scared about going on your phone, then something isn't right. It's important not to ignore these feelings; instead, talk to a trusted adult about what's happening and how it's making you feel.

STAY ALERT

Two words: look up. It might sound obvious, but it's so easy to get immersed in what we're looking at or listening to on our phones that we can become unaware of our surroundings – or who might be around us. People often walk with their head down, focusing on their phone, and forget to check for obstacles in their path, cars or other pedestrians coming towards them, which is clearly dangerous.

DEVELOP HEALTHY HABITS

Phones offer a vast amount of content and the chance to chat with friends whenever we feel like it, which can make it difficult to take time away from the screen. If that's something you struggle with, you could try setting time limits on certain apps. Putting our phones down for a while gives us more time to interact with others or do something physical that helps keep us fit and healthy.

IGNORE UNKNOWN NUMBERS

There are some scammers who might call or text asking you to share personal data or to click on a link and provide your details. Some may claim to be from a genuine company, but trustworthy businesses don't spontaneously call or message to ask for your information. It's safest to ignore calls or texts from unknown numbers, and never give your personal details out over the phone.

ONLY USE AGE-APPROPRIATE APPS

Before downloading a new app or game, check what age rating it has. Don't feel pressured into getting a particular game or app just because your friends are using it. If it's intended for older people, there's a definite risk that it could include content (which is violent or frightening, for instance) or language which isn't suitable and may leave you feeling upset or disturbed.

REMOVE TEMPTATION

A good night's sleep is so important for concentration, mood and overall health. Unwinding properly before going to bed – which means not staring at a screen late at night – can often improve sleep quality. Put your phone on charge overnight, but not in your room. This means you'll have a lot less temptation to check any notifications, reply to messages or get caught up scrolling on social media.

THINK ABOUT OTHERS

Watching videos, listening to music or calling someone can all help to pass the time while we're on the bus, waiting in a queue or walking down the street. It's important to remain mindful of other people, though: they might not want to hear your tunes or your conversation. Likewise, if you're calling from a public place then don't forget that anyone could overhear something personal about you.

SWITCH OFF GEOLOCATION

In your phone's settings, you'll be able to disable geolocation for individual apps and photos: this means that people online (including strangers) can't see information about where you are when you share or post a pic. On the subject of images, it's also important to ask permission before taking or sharing a photo of someone – and don't share embarrassing images of your friends with others.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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