

Spring 2: Friday 4th March 2021

PE during spring 2

A polite reminder that **all** children must have a PE kit in school. Winter PE kit is as follows:

- Black/navy blue jogging bottoms
- Black/navy blue zip up jacket or a black/navy blue pull over jumper/hoody
- **Plain** white t-shirt/School logo PE t-shirt
- Trainers
- Pumps
- Pump bag

The PE days for spring 2 are as follows:

Nursery and Reception – Friday

Year 1 – Wednesday and Friday

Year 2 – Wednesday and Friday

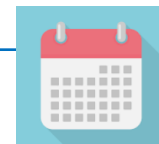
Year 3 – Monday and Thursday

Year 4 – Monday and Thursday

Year 5 – Tuesday and Thursday (Swimming)

Year 6 – Tuesday and Wednesday

Important Dates



- **Friday 11th March 2022** – Wolverhampton Play Service leading Forest School workshop for Year 3 (Children should wear own clothes and bring waterproofs including wellies to school)
- **Tuesday 15th March 2022** – Year 4 Bikeability Course – Group A
- **Wednesday 16th March 2022** – Year 4 Bikeability Course – Group B
- **Monday 28th March 2022** – Parents Evening
- **Thursday 31st March 2022** – Parents Evening
- **Friday 8th April 2022** – Last day of Spring term
- **Easter Break** – Monday 11th April to Friday 22nd April 2022
- **Inset Day** – Monday 25th April 2022
- **Children return to school on Tuesday 26th April 2022.**
- **Friday 10th June** – School Photographs

A polite reminder...

A polite reminder that children should not bring any toys, stationery or fidget toys into school. Children are provided with stationery and fidget toys (if necessary) within the classroom to support with their learning.

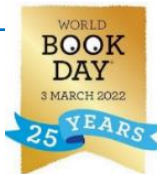
After School Clubs

After school clubs will resume this week: the week beginning **Monday 7th March**. Please see below for the list of clubs that were shared on Parent Mail before half term.

Day	Teacher	Location for dismissal	Children	Time	Club
Tuesday	Mrs Thorne	Y2	EYFS and KS1	3:30pm-4:00pm	Lego
Tuesday	Mr Pope	Y6	KS2	3:30pm-4:00pm	Football
Wednesday	Miss Walker	Y3	EYFS and KS1	3:30pm-4:00pm	Moving and Stretching
Wednesday	Mr Jones	Y6	KS2	3:30pm-4:00pm	Young Engineers
Wednesday	Mrs Passey	YR	KS2	3:30-4:00pm	Choir
Thursday	Miss Mallaband	Y4	EYFS and KS1	3:30pm-4:00pm	Computing
Thursday	Miss Dhillon	Y5	KS2	3:30pm-4:00pm	Multi-Sports
Friday	Mrs Kumar and Mrs Walker	Y1	EYFS and KS1	3:30pm-4:00pm	Forest School
Friday	Mrs Abbiss	Y2	KS2	3:30pm-4:00pm	Eco Warriors/Rota Kids

World Book Day

What a fantastic effort the children (and most definitely the parents and carers) put in to this year's World Book Day costumes. The children thoroughly enjoyed sharing their choices with their class and also enjoyed virtual, live reading sessions with some famous authors: Michael Morpurgo, Michael Rosen and Catherine Rayner. The Children's Bookshow celebrated World Book Day with a live digital event for primary schools. Children even had the opportunity to ask these award-winning authors and illustrators' questions about their work.



Wolverhampton Play Service for Year 3

On Friday 11th March, Year 3 will have the opportunity to take part in an outdoor learning experience (Woodland Skills Activity) with Wolverhampton Play Service. They will make use of den building, cooking on a fire, bug hunting and cargo nets. They will also have the opportunity to make smores with adults using biscuits and marshmallows.

Children should wear their own clothes, including waterproofs and wellies.



Upcoming Events:

The Wednesfield Rotary Club are visiting school on Tuesday 8th March to induct members of our Eco Club into our very exciting and new Rota Kids Club.

Hammond Galleries, David Lindon and Ed Hammond, will be visiting the children in school on Wednesday 9th March, in the afternoon, to share the winners of the art competition that children took place in during school.

Workshops

Parents are invited in for specific workshops based around statutory assessments for particular year groups. Please attend via the school's main entrance.

- Tuesday 8th March – 3:45pm – Phonics workshop for Year 1 parents
- Wednesday 9th March – 3:45pm – Multiplication check workshop for Year 4 parents

Towards the end of the half term, we would also like to invite parents and carers from Year 1 and 2, Year 3 and 4, and Year 5 and 6, in to school to share our Personal Life Skills (PSHE/RSE) curriculum with them, including covered objectives, outcomes and resources that we will use. We know all families lead very different and busy lives, and it can be difficult to attend, so we would first like to receive some feedback from parents as to the time they would prefer which will then allow us to plan appropriately from the consensus: a Parent Mail will be sent out for us to collect this information.

Stand with Ukraine

Moseley for Ukraine
HUMANITARIAN AID COLLECTION

Wolverhampton drop off point –

Shop in the Square, Upper Level (between Matalan and The Works),
Mander Centre, Wolverhampton WV13NN
We will then deliver on Sunday 6th March to Moseley for Ukraine (Birmingham)

First aid kits, dressings, compresses
Plasters, bandages, tourniquets
Wound disinfectants, burn gels, micropore tape
Saline solutions
Nasopharyngeal tubes
Burn bands
Iodine
Needles, syringes
Paracetamol, ibuprofen, aspirin, over the counter medicines

Thermal blankets

Sleeping bags (new or like new)
Blankets (new or like new)
Camping mats

Baby bottles (new only)

Nappies (1-5)

Adult nappies
Sanitary towels
Wet wipes
Calpol

Lighters
Candles
Torches
Power Banks
Walkie talkies
Masking nets
Flasks, thermal cups
Can openers
Camping stoves (without gas inserts)
Water sterilising tablets

New - gloves, hats, warm socks (baby - adult all sizes)
Thermal underwear/tops - new

Toothpastes, toothbrushes, soap (bars)

Food:

Ideally military rations, ready camping meal pouches or food that can be warmed up on a stove.
Tinned food like soups, spag bol, spaghetti hoops
Instant meals (soups, pot noodles etc)
Baby food (jars, pouches)
Baby formula including lactose free
Coffee, tea, sugar, salt
Hot chocolate
Long life milk
Dried milk/milk powder

Energy bars, high protein snacks, gels etc (for soldiers)

Items not on the list cannot be accepted



What Parents & Carers Need to Know about WHATSAPP



WhatsApp is the world's most popular messaging service, with around two billion users exchanging texts, photos, videos and documents, as well as making voice and video calls. Its end-to-end encryption means messages can only be viewed by the sender and any recipients: not even WhatsApp can read them. Updates to its privacy policy in 2021 (involving sharing data with parent company Facebook) caused millions to leave the app, but the new policy was widely misinterpreted – it only related to WhatsApp's business features, not to personal messages.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

SCAMS

Fraudsters occasionally send WhatsApp messages pretending to offer prizes – encouraging the user to click on a link to win. Other common scams involve warning someone that their WhatsApp subscription has run out (aiming to dupe them into disclosing payment details) or impersonating a friend or relative and asking for money to be transferred to help with an emergency.

DISAPPEARING MESSAGES

Users can set WhatsApp messages to disappear in 24 hours, 7 days or 90 days by default. Photos and videos can also be instructed to disappear after the recipient has viewed them. These files can't be saved or forwarded – so if your child was sent an inappropriate message, it would be difficult to prove any wrongdoing. However, the receiver can take a screenshot and save that as evidence.

ENABLING FAKE NEWS

WhatsApp has unfortunately been linked to accelerating the spread of dangerous rumours. In India in 2018, some outbreaks of mob violence appear to have been sparked by false allegations being shared on the app. WhatsApp itself took steps to prevent its users circulating hazardous theories and speculation in the early weeks of the Covid-19 pandemic.

POTENTIAL CYBERBULLYING

Group chat and video calls are great for connecting with multiple people in WhatsApp, but there is always the potential for someone's feelings to be hurt by an unkind comment or joke. The 'only admins' feature gives the admin(s) of a group control over who can send messages. They can, for example, block people from posting in a chat, which could make a child feel excluded and upset.

CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

To start a WhatsApp chat, you only need the mobile number of the person you want to message (the other person also needs to have the app). WhatsApp can access the address book on someone's device and recognise which of their contacts also use the app. So if your child has ever given their phone number to someone they don't know, that person could use it to contact them via WhatsApp.

LOCATION SHARING

The 'live location' feature lets users share their current whereabouts, allowing friends to see their movements. WhatsApp describes it as a "simple and secure way to let people know where you are." It is a useful method for a young person to let loved ones know they're safe – but if they used it in a chat with people they don't know, they would be exposing their location to them, too.

Advice for Parents & Carers

CLICK HERE

CREATE A SAFE PROFILE

Even though someone would need a child's phone number to add them as a contact, it's also worth altering a young person's profile settings to restrict who can see their photo and status. The options are 'everyone', 'my contacts' and 'nobody' – choosing one of the latter two ensures that your child's profile is better protected.



EXPLAIN ABOUT BLOCKING

If your child receives spam or offensive messages, calls or files from a contact, they should block them using 'settings' in the chat. Communication from a blocked contact won't show up on their device and stays undelivered. Blocking someone does not remove them from your child's contact list – so they also need to be deleted from the address book.



REPORT POTENTIAL SCAMS

Young people shouldn't engage with any message that looks suspicious or too good to be true. When your child receives a message from an unknown number for the first time, they'll be given the option to report it as spam. If the sender claims to be a friend or relative, call that person on their usual number to verify it really is them, or if it's someone trying to trick your child.



LEAVE A GROUP

If your child is in a group chat that is making them feel uncomfortable, or has been added to a group that they don't want to be part of, they can use WhatsApp's group settings to leave. If someone exits a group, the admin can add them back in once; if they leave a second time, it is permanent.



THINK ABOUT LOCATION

If your child needs to use the 'live location' function to show you or one of their friends where they are, advise them to share their location only for as long as they need to. WhatsApp gives a range of 'live location' options, and your child should manually stop sharing their position as soon as it is no longer needed.



DELETE ACCIDENTAL MESSAGES

If your child posts a message they want to delete, WhatsApp allows the user seven minutes to erase a message. Tap and hold on the message, choose 'delete' and then 'delete for everyone.' However, it's important to remember that recipients may have seen (and taken a screenshot of) a message before it was deleted.



CHECK THE FACTS

You can now fact-check WhatsApp messages that have been forwarded at least five times, by double-tapping the magnifying glass icon to the right of the message. From there, your child can launch a Google search and decide for themselves whether the message was true or not.



Meet Our Expert

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