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## January activity

Since we came back to school in January, there have been lots of exciting things happening to bring children's learning to life:

Year 3 started working with Bollywood Brass Band on a project which will involve them playing the trumpet in a full performance soon. The introductory assembly where we learnt about the band's instruments was full of energy and rhythm.

Year 6 have built resilience and teamwork as they walked up a mountain. What an achievement they felt when they reached the top!

Year 3 visited the farm with the Countryside Trust to learn more about farming and nature.



Year 6 performed at the MYWY Literacy Festival along with 5 other schools followed by an Oscar style award ceremony to celebrate their achievements.



## Coming up in February

Get involved with school by coming along to one of the many parent and carer workshops organised this spring term.



## Parent and Carer Workshops Spring Term 2022

*Wednesday 9th February—Spinners Stay and Play*

*Thursday 10th February—Spinners Stay and Play*

*Tuesday 15th February 2:10—3:10pm—all welcome—Mental Health with CAHMs*

*Wednesday 16th February—Bobbins Stay and Play*

*Monday 7th March—Year 1 Phonic Open Mornings (to be arranged)*

*Thursday 10th March 9—10am—KS1 iChallenge*

*Thursday 10th March 2:30pm - KS1 Helping your child at home and SATS*

*Friday 11th March 9—10am—KS2 iChallenge*



Reception class will visit the Animal Science department at Calderdale College to learn about animals and build relationships in the community.

Year 2 will be going on some trips to learn about the environment and animals.



## Safer Internet Day

On the 8<sup>th</sup> February we will joined children across the UK to learn about staying safe on the Internet during Safer Internet Day.

Here are some resources that you can access to help keep your child safe on the internet:

- Tips, advice and guides for parents and carers from the UK Safer Internet Centre ([saferinternet.org.uk/parents](http://saferinternet.org.uk/parents))
- Advice for parents and carers from Childnet ([childnet.com/parents-and-carers](http://childnet.com/parents-and-carers))

Reviews and information about games, apps, TV shows and websites from Common Sense Media ([commonsense.org](http://commonsense.org))

- Help on using parental controls and privacy settings from InternetMatters ([internetmatters.org./controls](http://internetmatters.org./controls))
- Information and reporting of online grooming from CEOP ([ceop.police.uk](http://ceop.police.uk))



## ParentPay

Just a reminder that ParentPay is our flexible payment system which allows you to see the meals that your child has had and to monitor payments accordingly. We ask that you check your account regularly, paying in advance whenever possible to prevent debts building up.

ParentPay isn't just for dinner money, it is also used for booking trips and places in our many clubs. If you haven't already activated your ParentPay account please do so as soon as possible, even if your child is in Nursery.

If you need any help setting up your account or for any other issues relating to ParentPay please contact Mrs Frankland in the School Office.

## Parking

Warley Road is a busy main road and I am sure you join us I wanting to keep our children safe:

- Do not park on the pavement
- Park on the road away from the school front and gates.

One of the 4 Rs we teach the children is 'Respect' and we would ask that adults also show 'Respect' to our neighbours and other parents by not blocking roads and by parking safely.



## Attendance

Current attendance for this half term is 93.1%. Although this figure has improved since the start of the year, we are still working towards the pre-pandemic national average of 96%. We are still finding that our persistent absentee figure is higher than the national average. This figure is based on the number of children who have an attendance figure of less than 90%. We will again be arranging meetings with families of children who fall into this category at the end of Spring term. These meetings are arranged in order to offer support and discuss ways to improve attendance, and in turn, ensure better outcomes for pupils. We encourage any families to come and speak to us if they are concerned about their child's attendance.

At the end of last term, you may be aware that we gave out 131 attendance t-shirts for children in Years 1 – 6 with 100% attendance. They have proven to be a really popular incentive and we thank parents for supporting this and ensuring children are in school every day. We will be presenting more t-shirts at the end of the Spring term; including the new blue t-shirt for those already with a white one.

We have noticed a large number of children arriving after the start of school at 8:50. We would just like to ask that children are arriving on time as we have seen an increase in the number of children arriving late via the office. Children should be arriving no later than 8:50 (8:40 for nursery) to ensure learning can begin promptly.



## After School Clubs and Tournaments

Many new after school clubs and Saturday morning activities started in January. We currently have 10 different after school clubs up and running and 6 Saturday morning clubs. We still have places in the following clubs: (Please register for a place via Parent Pay).

- Dance – This will start again on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March and is for children in years 4,5 and 6.
- Year 5 boys swimming – Every Thursday.
- Music – Learn to play the guitar and ukulele. Every Monday for children in years 5 and 6.
- Girls Sports – Every Thursday for all girls in years 5 and 6.
- Saturday morning Taekwondo

## Tournaments

### Intra School Tournaments (against each other)

- All children from years 1-6 have competed in football tournaments.
- Year 6 children have competed in handball tournaments and all children in years 4 and 5 will compete in handball tournaments in February.

### Inter School Tournaments (against other schools)

- 15 year 6 children competed in a handball tournament at Park Lane Academy. Warley Road had 2 teams and they finished in 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place.
- 15 year 6 children competed in a basketball tournament at Park Lane. Warley Road had 2 teams who both got through to the final.
- In February we football matches arranged for our year 6 boys and girls teams against Lee Mount Primary.

## Reading

Reading is the cornerstone to your child's learning, and, as such, we encourage children to read at home for 15 minutes every night. We celebrate your child's reading through 'Reading Rockets', which is our reading café that enables all pupils to voice their opinions about books and their reading lessons.

Reading for 15 minutes each day will build your child's reading stamina and wider vocabulary. Please support your child to enable them to become a confident reader.

## Staffing news

So far in 2022 we have welcomed 2 new members of the Warley Road Academy team; Miss Horsfall who will be supporting all around school and Mr Hamilton who will be delivering some of the broader parts of the curriculum such as tournaments that get children involved in physical activity.



## Academic calendar 2021/22 Warley Road Primary Academy



January 2022							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
52						1	2
1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
2	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
3	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
4	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
5	31				20		

February 2022							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
5		1	2	3	4	5	6
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7	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
8	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
9	28				15		

March 2022							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
9		1	2	3	4	5	6
10	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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12	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
13	28	29	30	31			
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April 2022							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
13					1	2	3
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15	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
16	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
17	25	26	27	28	29	30	
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May 2022							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
17							1
18	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
19	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
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22	30	31			18		

June 2022							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
22			1	2	3	4	5
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25	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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July 2022							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
26					1	2	3
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28	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
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August 2022							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
31	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
32	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
33	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
34	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
35	29	30	31				

Teacher training days x5
  School holidays
  Bank holidays