



Weekly Newsletter: Friday 13th February 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

It is hard to believe we have reached the end of another half term. With 21 weeks behind us and only 19 weeks to go until the summer holidays, it is a good time to reflect on just how much the children have achieved so far this year.

Change can be challenging, from adjusting to new classroom routines and new adults, to tackling more demanding learning, but the children of Warden House continue to show our school values, such as positivity and determination, as they engage with their learning each day.

As part of our ongoing development as a school, staff have been engaging with the National Writing Framework released by The Department of Education (DFE) in July 2025. It outlines a consistent and evidence-informed approach to teaching writing based on existing good practice.

Our work has focused on how we best support children to build strong foundations for writing, particularly in the Early Years. This includes oral rehearsal and composition, developing fine and gross motor skills, letter formation, and using phonics to support simple sentence construction when children are developmentally ready. This progressive model continues throughout the school, with also a strong focus on handwriting. Research and experience show that when handwriting becomes automatic, it frees up children's working memory and allows them to write more confidently and fluently.

Information about Parents' Evening has been shared and we hope when attending, you enjoy talking to your child about the progress they have been making especially in handwriting when you look through books together. Also, look out for some 'handwriting champions' on our Facebook page.

This week, Mr Lewis held a Forest School presentation. Thank you to the parents who attended. You will have received information outlining our plans for the future, along with a timetable to ensure that every child in the school will experience Forest School by the end of the year. This also includes details of what children will need to bring to school to be fully prepared for these sessions.



As a school, we are committed to supporting our Forest School and have recently purchased all-in-one suits for children to use. We hope to purchase more ahead of September, and this will be one of the areas we will be raising money for with the support of our fantastic PTFA. On the subject of fundraising, thank you to everyone who donated cakes or bought one at our 'Baked With Love' cake sale, and to the PTFA for organising the event and helping to raise funds for our children.

Have a lovely half term and we look forward to seeing the children back on Monday 23rd February.

Mrs Cooper

Dates for your diary

- ❖ Start of Term 4 – Monday 23rd February
- ❖ PTFA Pre-Loved Book & Dress Up Sale – Monday 23rd February to Friday 27th February (After School)
- ❖ Young Voices O2 Trip – Tuesday 24th February
- ❖ Class photographs – Wednesday 25th February
- ❖ Year R Hearing Screening – Friday 27th February
- ❖ Year 3 Swimming (First Session) – Friday 27th February
- ❖ World Book Day – Thursday 5th March
- ❖ Rocksteady Concert – Monday 23rd March 2pm
- ❖ Year 5 Bold As! Concert – Tuesday 24th March
- ❖ Year R–5 Parents' Evening – Wednesday 25th March & Thursday 26th March
- ❖ PTFA Easter Hunt – Wednesday 1st April 3.15pm
- ❖ End of Term 4 – Thursday 2nd April

Attendance

Whole school

93.63%

Year group of the week

Year 2

Book Recommendation

This week's book recommendation comes from Maddie in Year 5

Book: Lottie Brooks by Katie Kirby

"This is a really great book, it makes me laugh and it is like the actual story of a teenager!"

ONLINE
LEARNING



Please remember to follow us on Facebook



Next Terms Value Responsible



First Week Back Lunch Menu – Week 1

