

Newsletter - Friday 22nd March 2019

Headteacher's Message

Our new hall displays have been taking shape over the last week with a focus on the range of world religions that children have been learning about in their RE lessons. At Warden House, we deeply value this important part of the curriculum as it teaches our children vital life skills such as respect and tolerance whilst at the same time equipping them for life in multicultural Britain.



As we head towards the end of Term 4, the teachers are busy putting the finishing touches to plans for Outdoor Learning Week. We are really looking forward to this new experience for our children and would really appreciate your feedback regarding how it goes. Many thanks for your support.

Best wishes, Mr Hackett

Spectacular Sportathlon!

Mrs Bishop and Miss Lund have been working incredibly hard to plan an all-new sports day for our children. Our "Spectacular Sportathlon" will take place on Friday 29 March and will give children from Year R-6 the opportunity to take part in a range of sports across the school day. Unlike previous Olympic Days, this event is not open to parents and carers. We will be repeating our more traditional sports days in the Summer term where families are very welcome to attend. Thank you for your support with this matter.

Red Nose Day 2019

Our children and staff enjoyed another successful Red Nose Day, raising £618.24 through donations on the day and through the purchase of red noses. Thank you for your support.

Online Safety

It is always important to be aware of the most recent online safety messages. Our new website has an updated page with links to useful information and resources. If you haven't seen it already, do have a look here: [Warden House Online Safety Page](#)

Outdoor Learning Week

You should by now have received a letter with details about our outdoor learning week that is coming up during the last week of this term. We are really looking forward to what should be a really exciting week for our children. If you have not done so already, please visit the school gateway to give consent to any trips. Should you have any questions, please contact your child's class teacher.

Sickness Bug

We have had a number of children absent from school with a recent round of stomach virus. Here is some advice from the [NHS Choices website](#): Norovirus spreads very easily in schools. You can catch it if small particles of infected fluids from an infected person get into your mouth, such as through:

- *Close contact with someone with norovirus – they may breathe out small particles containing the virus that you could inhale.*
- *Touching contaminated surfaces or objects – the virus can survive outside the body for several days.*
- *Eating contaminated food – this can happen if an infected person doesn't wash their hands before handling food.*

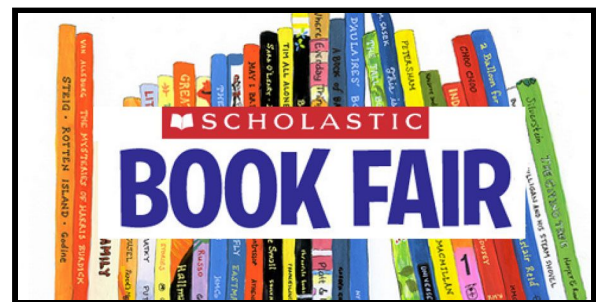
A person with norovirus is most infectious from when their symptoms start until 48 hours after all their symptoms have passed, although they may also be infectious for a short time before and after this. You can get norovirus more than once because the virus is always changing, so your body is unable to build up long-term resistance to it. Our advice is that should your child either vomit or have diarrhoea, **you keep them at home for 48 hours after the symptoms finish**; this really helps break the cycle of the virus.

Magic Breakfast

We have been absolutely delighted by the success of our new "[Magic Breakfast - Breakfast Bagels](#)" program. The children have been really enthusiastic about this new provision and have exhausted our supplies! We hope to be back to normal on Monday following our next delivery.

Book Fair

The [Scholastic Book Fair](#) is coming back to Warden House and will be open during the Easter Egg Hunt on Friday 5th April from 2.00pm. Don't worry if you miss it on that day it will also be here during the first week back after the Easter holidays during parents' evenings.



Dogs On Site

We would like to remind parents and carers that dogs (with the exception of guide dogs and assistance dogs) should not be brought on to the school site at drop-off and pick-up times. Many thanks for your support.

Parking

Please could all parents and carers continue to respect our neighbours at drop-off and pick up times by parking responsibly. This includes the roads surrounding the school including Diana Gardens and Abbey Close where several residents have been in touch lately concerned about irresponsible parking. Thank you for your support.

Parents' Evenings

Parents' Evenings will take place right at the start of next term on Tuesday 23 and Wednesday 24 April 2019. Please [click here](#) to book your appointment.



Key Dates for Term 4

Every Tuesday

Swimming Lessons for Year 1

Every Thursday

Swimming Lessons for Year 3

Friday 29 March

Spectacular Sportathlon - A whole school sporting extravaganza!

Friday 29th April

Final day for class photo proofs to be handed into the office.

Monday 1 April - Friday 5 April

Outdoor Learning Week

Tuesday 2 April - Friday 5 April

Kingswood Residential Trip for Year 6

Friday 5th April

PTFA Easter Egg Hunt at 2.00pm

Friday 5th April

Spring Term reports sent home to parents

Key Dates for Term 5 and Beyond

Tuesday 23 and Wednesday 24 April

Parents' Evening Appointments (3:30-6.30pm)

Thursday 2 May

Polling Day - School is closed to all staff and children

Monday 13 May - Thursday 16 May

Year 6 SATs tests. All children must be in school.

Monday 20 May - Friday 24 May

Year 2 SATs tests. All children must be in school.

Wednesday 3 July (KS2) & Friday 5th July (YrR and KS1)

Traditional Sports Days - Parents invited (Times TBC)

Tuesday 9 July - 5 pm - 7 pm

Exhibition Evening - Whole School

Thursday 4 July

Transition Day - Children spend the day with their new teacher for September.

Term Dates for 2019

Term 4 Start: Monday 25 February 2019

Finish: Friday 5 April 2019 at 2:00pm

Term 5 Start: Tuesday 23 April 2019

Finish: Friday 24 May 2019

Term 6 Start: Monday 3 June 2019

Finish: Friday 19 July 2019 at 2:00 pm

Future Staff Training Days

Monday 22 July 2019 & Tuesday 23 July 2019

Polling Day (school closed) Thursday 2nd May 2019

WARDEN HOUSE PRIMARY SCHOOL PTFA INVITES YOU TO

EASTER EGG HUNT

Friday
5 APRIL 2019
 2 PM

Easter has arrived, let's celebrate and have fun!

ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT

£2 Entry per child, payments via SchoolGateway only
 Additional sibling tickets (including Pre-school) will need to be purchased individually under the child's name on SchoolGateway