Witton Church Walk Aided CofE Primary School

Dear Families.

Welcome back to the final term of this school year. Is has been so lovely having everyone back at our school and seeing the children with their friends and staff. Of course we have many more exciting opportunities which your children will partake in as they continue their learning so please ensure you keep up with these events on our school calendar, Twitter, Facebook and our school website.

I hope the weather is kind to us this term. Mrs. Magiera

School Places and Nursery Places – Rising 3 paid places

Please let parents know that we are able to take 40 children in Reception for our new intake in 2022.

We are currently full in our nursery at the beginning of the week and we currently have no 'Rising 3' places available. We only have very limited places at the end of the week.

As the majority of these children will move to Reception in September we will have spaces available, if you or friends would like to secure a place in our nursery for September or a Rising 3 place for September please do call the office and we will give you an application form.

If you have any questions about places for children in Nursery or Reception (or in any year group across school) please pop in and ask in our office and the staff will endeavor to answer them, we will also be happy to show you or your friends around our beautiful school.



Healthy Schools Week – mentally and physically Healthy

Our staff are working very hard at the moment putting together an exciting plan for our busy week.

They are planning a mix of activities which will ensure everyone will have the information they need to make healthy choices for their mind, body and soul. Please look out for the letters explaining the timetable of activities. Lots of these activities will be outside in the fresh air surrounded by nature.

SPORTS DAY DATES:

Nursery – 29th June 2022

Reception & KS1 – AM – 30th June 2022

KS2 - PM - 30th June 2022

Let's hope the weather is good for us! If these are rained off, I am sorry but we are unable to rearrange them.



Staff News

We welcome Miss Rudgley to our KS1 team after the Whit break, she will teach Year 1/2, she has completed her teacher training with us and we are delighted to offer her first permanent post. We also welcome Miss Gill Clark to our Upper Key Stage Two team from September as a permanent member of our team, she has completed her first year of teaching with us and we are delighted to keep her as part of our team – a real asset.

We will be saying goodbye, with a very heavy heart, to Mrs Westron who has been on secondment this year and has secured the post from September, we also say good bye at Whit to Miss Simpson. She will begin a new journey at Over Hall Community Primary School and we would all like to wish her well.

Retirement -

We will be saying goodbye to Mrs Williams who will retire after being a member of our school for over 23 years. We are planning a wonderful celebration so please do look out for your invitation!



PTA News

Thank you to everyone for their recent support and for all the fundraising we have been doing for charities. We have been overwhelmed with our families' support.

We also want to say a huge thank you to everyone for their support at the Easter Bingo, it was such a delight to welcome everyone back in school again and be together as a community. We had a wonderful evening and can't wait to work together again to have our Summer Fayre. Thank you.

You can always find out more information from the PTA and the events they run to help raise vital funds for school via their Facebook page

https://www.facebook.com/wittonchurchwalkpta/

Church Links

We have thoroughly enjoyed our services this year each Wednesday at St Helens, our church. We would like to thank you all for joining us and sharing in these services with us. We will continue with these services in church each Wednesday for the rest of this term and on returning in September, Vicar Andrew will come into school on alternate weeks to lead worship in our school hall.

We also hope to have families back in school this term for Celebration Worship, please look out for our first invitation.

Going forward we will no longer be sending home paper copies of newsletters or letters for trips, activities etc as we will be sending this information by email as we did during lockdown. Paper copies will always be available from the school office if required but please look out for correspondence from school via School Spider. If you don't have your email listed on our school records, please come to the school office to fill out a short form and we can update your records so that you are kept fully informed.

Notifications will show on Twitter, Facebook and School Spider App, emails are also sent regularly and the website calendar is updated so that nothing is missed. You can always contact the school office via email – admin@wittonwalk.cheshire.sch.uk – if you need to.

Please call in at the school office if you need any further information.



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REMAINING HOLIDAY DATES 2021/22

	Date of Closing	Date of Re-Opening
Summer Half-Term 2022	Thursday 26 th May	Tuesday 7 th June
Summer 2022	Wednesday 20 th July 1.30pm	Monday 5th September – Year 1 to Year 6. 8.45am prompt start WB – 5th September will be a staggered start for our Reception children

Jubilee Bank Holiday -Friday 27th May INSET DAYS (Teacher Training) – Monday 6th June 2022

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Summer 2022	Wednesday 20 th July	Monday 5 th September – Year 1 to Year 6. 8.45am prompt start WB – 5 th September will be a staggered start for our Reception children
Autumn Half-Term 2022	Friday 21st October	Tuesday 1st November
Christmas 2022/23	Friday 16 th December	Tuesday 3 rd January
Spring Half-Term 2023	Friday 17 th February	Monday 27 th February
Spring Break 2023	Friday 31st March	Monday 17 th April
May Day Weekend 2023	Friday 28 th April	Tuesday 2 nd May
Summer Half-Term 2023	Friday 26 th May	Monday 5 th June
Summer 2023	Wednesday 19th July 1.30pm	

INSET DAYS (Teacher Training) – 5 in total

Thursday 1st September 2022, Friday 2nd September 2022, Monday 31st October 2022, Thursday 20th July 2023, Friday 21st July 2023

Reminder – As you know our attendance officer will be putting our policy in to practice and following our very clear protocol for any attendance that dips below 96% consistently, the child is absent on the same day each week and where medical evidence is not provided. The protocol offers many opportunities for supporting parents and ensuring all our children access the education that they are entitled to. Where the protocols are not adhered to by families and attendance continues to dip a fixed penalty notice will be issued.

COVID related absences are not authorized – this is a directive from the Government.

Please take some time to read our 'Attendance Policy' which is on the website, this explains our requirements for attendance and also explains that holidays will **NOT** be authorised in term time.

Dates for the Diary!

Year 5/6 will swim this term – please ensure you look out for the letters and note the days as they will need their swimming items.



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Date	What is happening?	Who for?
20 th April	Parents Evening	Year 1- Year 6 children
26 th April	Reception Parents Evening	Reception children
28 th April	KS1 trip	Year 1 and Year 2
The month of May	Year 2 children can begin to take their Standardised tests	Year 2
3 rd May	School starters parents evening	School starters in Nursery
5 th May	Reception School Trip	Reception
9th May	Mental Health Awareness Week	Whole school
9 th May	Spelling and Grammar test	Year 6
10th May	Reading test	Year 6
11th May	Maths 1/2 and Arithmetic test	Year 6
12 th May	Maths 3 test	Year 6
16th May	Walk to School Week	Whole School
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	Outdoor Classroom learning	
	Week	
22 nd May	Confirmation service in St Helens	Year 6 children
25 th May	Queen's platinum jubilee celebrations	Whole school community
26 th May	Last Day of Half Term	Whole School
6 th June	Inset Day	Whole School
June	Year 1 phonics tests to be	Year 1 children
	administered first two weeks	
	Multiplications check to be	Year 4 children
	administered to Year 4 children	
9 th June	Intake Evening	New Reception 2022 families
20 th and 21 st June	Year 2 residential to Tattenhall	Year 2
20 th June	Northwich Sings at Rudheath Senior Academy	Year 5 children
22 nd June	Gorilla Day – Environment and Climate Change	Whole school
28 th June	Stone Age Workshop	Year 3 and 4
29 th June	Nursery Sports Day	Details to follow from Miss Mogford
30 th June	KS1 and KS2 Sports Day	KS1 – am KS2 - pm
4 th July - week	Transition week for Year 6 pupils to their chosen High School	Year 6 – please see information from your child's High School
6 th July	Reception Graduation	9am Reception children
8 th July	All Change Day	Reception to Year 5



		Year 6 who are not at their transition day will do an activity in the hall.
13 th July	Year 6 Leavers Service at Chester Cathedral – just school	Year 6
14th July	Year 6 disco/prom	Year 6 children and families
18 th July	Year 6 Family Celebration, possibly in church or school field	1.30pm Whole School
20 th July	Final Day of term – school closes at 1.30pm	Whole School