

Wistanstow CE Primary School Newsletter

Friday 17th January 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our first newsletter of 2025. I hope you all had a relaxing Christmas break.

We started the new term with Year 5 and Year 6 completing a two day Bikeability course which has given them the skills to ride their bikes safely on the road. We endeavour to offer this course every other year to enable all our older pupils to gain these essential skills. For our younger pupils, we will be offering Balanceability next month, with details to follow.

As in the first half of the Autumn term, we are holding another parent Celebration Assembly at the Village Hall. This will take place on Wednesday 12th February. This is an opportunity for pupils to showcase some of the learning they have engaged with this term. We hope you are able to join us. Further details will be sent in the near future.

Wishing you all a Happy New Year,

Sue Phillips
Head of School

Wistanstow School – Growing and Learning Together



The Parable of the Sower

Our Christian value this term is COURAGE



Food Bank Friday



Wistanstow CE Primary School are collecting on Fridays for Craven Arms Food Bank.
Please bring your donations to the school office.

Thank you for your generosity.



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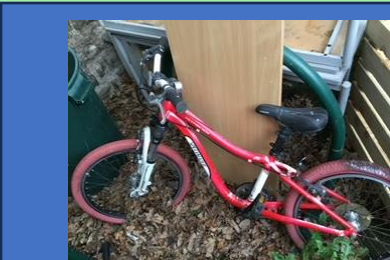
Dates for your diary



Reminders and School News

Mondays	Science Club
Tuesdays	Y6 SATs Club
Wednesdays	Netball Club
Thursdays	Goblin Car Club and Art Club
Tuesday 21st January	C1 Parent Consultations
Tuesday 4th February	Imam from Craven Arms Mosque visiting school
Friday 7th February	National Number Day
Wednesday 12th February	Parent Celebration Assembly
Friday 14th February	C1 Balance Bike Training
Wednesday 9th April	2pm Easter Service
Thursday 12th-Friday 13th June	C2 Residential at Pioneer Centre

PE Days: Please come in PE Kit.
 Class 1: Wednesday
 Classes 2 and 3: Monday and Friday



Do you recognise this bike? It has been sitting under the bike shelter in our car park for a while now.

Is your child eligible for Free School Meals? All children in Reception, Y1 and Y2 receive Universal Free Meals. If you receive certain benefits, school receive extra funding for your child called Pupil Premium. Please check using the link below:
[Apply for free school meals | Shropshire Council](#)



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Reminders and School News



We politely ask all parents who need to drive to school, to remember to park legally, considerately and safely at school drop off and pick up times. This will ease congestion around the school and help make the area around our school a safer place for our children. Alternatively, when possible, please walk to school or park at the village hall or at the Plough as this will help keep our school street a safer place as well as having health benefits.

We all want our children to be safe and by respecting the space outside school we can do this together.

We are delighted that Tesco in Ludlow have chosen our playground improvement project for fundraising in store from October 2024 to January 2025. We hope to purchase play equipment, planters and plants. Customers can vote by placing a token in the box by the store entrance after shopping. We will win either £500, £1000 or £1500 depending on the total of votes.

Thank you to Tesco and please vote for us when you do your shopping. Many thanks for your support.

Private Tutors

We are aware that sometimes parents choose to hire a private tutor for their children. Please remember that it is your responsibility to ensure that anyone you are “hiring” as a private tutor, has the appropriate credentials and safer recruitment checks in place. Always ask to see their DBS documentation and recent references.



Hello from the **Family Information Service** (FIS for short). Our job is to give you the info and resources you need to help your family life run a little smoother. We can help with:

- Childcare - finding it and advice on paying for it
- Local baby and toddler groups
- Events, clubs, activities, and fun things to do in the school holidays, for all ages
- Getting parenting and family support
- Finding health and wellbeing support

We cover everything and anything to do with family life, so if you have a question, chances are we'll be able to help, or if we can't, we'll point you in the direction of someone who can.

Follow us on social media for all the latest news and info.



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Please check your SchoolMoney account regularly.
Many thanks.



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PTA

The PTA have arranged a Bag2School Collection to raise funds. Please take the opportunity to have a clear out! Please place the items from the list that you no longer need in the bag your child brought home and bring to school on Monday 27th January or Tuesday 28th January by 9am.
Thank you!

Below is a list of everything that **we collect**.
If in doubt, please call us on 01609 780 222.



Clothes



Paired shoes



Bras



Jewellery



Handbags



Hats



Socks



Belts

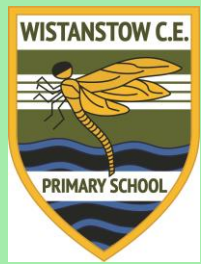


Bags



Scarves and ties



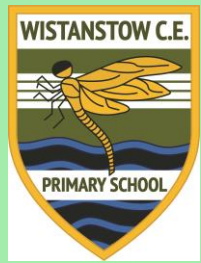


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Well done to all our Wistanstow Stars!

Congratulations to Mrs Watson and her husband. Maisy arrived safely on New Year's Eve.





Class 1

Class 1 have been investigating if materials can be changed by using different forces such as twisting and stretching.





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Class 2



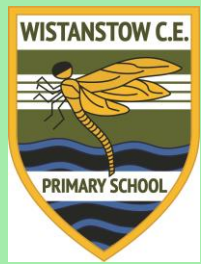
Investigating which materials are conductors and which are insulators.



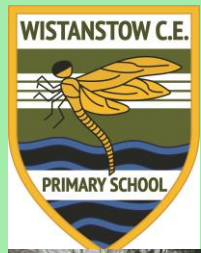
PIC•COLLAGE



Here we are practising our passing, ball handling skills and scoring tries in tag rugby.



Class 3 engaged with the Learn Cycling Bikeability course this week and everyone passed with flying colours. They now have the skills to ride their bikes safely on the road.



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Netball Club



New Menu!

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Week 1 Menu

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main 1	Beef hotpot (GF, DF)	Cottage pie (GF)	Premium roast beef in gravy (GF, DF)	Pork sausages (DF)	Fish Goujons (DF)
Main 2	Macaroni cheese (V)	Vegetable gratin (V, DF)	Cauliflower Cheese (V, GF)	Cauliflower curry with rice (V, DF, GF)	Baked Potato (V, GF, DF)
Sides	Croquette potatoes (V, GF, DF) Sweetcorn (V, GF, DF) Broccoli (V, GF, DF)	New potatoes (V, GF, DF) Baked beans (V, GF, DF) Cauliflower (V, GF, DF)	Roast potatoes (V, GF, DF) Carrots (V, GF, DF) Cut green beans (V, GF, DF)	Mashed potato (V, GF) Baked beans (V, GF, DF) Mixed vegetables (V, GF, DF)	Chips (V, GF, DF) Sweetcorn (V, GF, DF) Peas (V, GF, DF)
Dessert	Ice cream (V)	Syrup sponge (V)	Apple crumble (V, DF)	Chocolate sponge (V, GF, DF)	Ice cream (V)

We offer a daily option of Baked Potato (V,GF,DF) with Cheese (V,GF) or DF Cheese (V,DF,GF) with the vegetable of the day

Spring Term

6th/20th Jan
3rd/24th Feb
10th/24th March
7th April

Please note that bread, fruit and yoghurts are available each day

V = Vegetarian
GF = Gluten Free
DF = Dairy Free

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Please let us know if you have any suggestions for future meal options.

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Week 2 Menu

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main 1	Chicken goujons (DF)	Beef lasagne	Sliced turkey in gravy (GF, DF)	Chicken korma (GF)	Breaded Cod (DF)
Main 2	Bean chilli with rice (V, GF, DF)	Tempeh katsu curry (V, DF)	Macaroni cheese (V)	Vegetarian hotpot (V, GF, DF)	Baked Potato (V, GF, DF)
Sides	Chips (V, GF, DF) Sweetcorn (V, GF, DF) Baked beans (V, GF, DF)	Saute potatoes (V, GF, DF) Spring vegetable medley (V, GF, DF)	Roast potatoes (V, GF, DF) Carrots (V, GF, DF) Sweetcorn (V, GF, DF)	White rice (V, GF, DF) Vegetable medley (V, GF, DF)	Chips (V, GF, DF) Carrots (V, GF, DF) Baked beans (V, GF, DF)
Dessert	Ice cream (V)	Ginger pudding with orange sauce (V)	Jam sponge (V)	Chocolate sponge (V, GF, DF)	Ice cream (V)

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13th/27th Jan
10th Feb
3rd/17th/
31st March

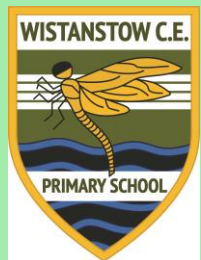
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Term Dates 2024-2025

Monday 2 nd September and Tuesday 3 rd September	Training days for school staff (school not open to pupils)
Wednesday 4 th September - Thursday 24 th October	Pupil days
Friday 25 th October	Training day for school staff (school not open to pupils)
Monday 28 th October – Friday 1 st November	Half term holiday
Monday 4 th November – Friday 20 th December	Pupil days
Monday 23 rd December – Friday 3 rd January	Christmas holidays
Monday 6 th January 2025	Training day for school staff (school not open to pupils)
Tuesday 7 th January – Friday 14 th February	Pupil days
Monday 17 th February – Friday 21 st February	Half term holiday
Monday 24 th February – Friday 11 th April	Pupil days
Monday 14 th April – Friday 25 th April	Easter holidays
Monday 28 th April – Friday 23 rd May	Pupil days
Monday 5 th May	Bank holiday (school not open to pupils)
Monday 26 th May – Friday 30 th May	Half term holiday
Monday 2 nd June – Friday 18 th July	Pupil days
Monday 21 st July	Training day for school staff (school not open to pupils)