



Faith, Love, Courage, Patience

Wareside C of E School Newsletter

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WELCOME BACK – A MESSAGE FROM MISS GAMAGE

We hope you all managed to have a lovely, restful summer. Children and staff alike have come back so positive with great learning attitudes and beaming smiles all around.

I'd like to extend a warm welcome to all our families and especially the new families joining the school. You will all find Wareside to be a very special school. I'd also like to extend a very warm welcome to Mrs Micklethwaite, Mrs Elliman, Miss Phillips and Mrs Moysey who have joined the staff team. They have settled in very well and will be assets to our school. You will have more time to speak to them over the coming days.

I'd like to thank you for all your well wishes during my maternity leave and also to thank the excellent team I have who have led the school so well in my absence. I am indeed very lucky to lead such a wonderful team of staff and children.

MEET THE TEACHER - WEDNESDAY 12th SEPTEMBER

On Wednesday 12th September we are holding Meet the Teacher meetings at 3pm in your child's class. Please do attend these as you will be able to meet the staff teams and will find out more about the curriculum and ask any questions.

Please note that EYFS team will hold their meeting on Thursday 13th September at 11.45am.

GROUND FORCE DAY – SAVE THE DATE!

You will have seen that the school resources have been organised and that we are making a huge effort to get the school and grounds as attractive as possible for the children. With this

in mind we will be hosting a Ground Force day on Sunday 23rd September and would love to invite you to join us for a day of painting, tidying and generally getting our school looking lovely. Lunch will be provided and we will write to you soon with more details.

Please, in the meantime if a few strong parents could demolish and load the items into the skip in the car park we would be very grateful. There are two parents who expertly loaded one of our skips on a previous occasion; you know who you are!

REMINDER – SCHOOL UNIFORM AND P.E. KIT

Please ensure your child has the correct school uniform and PE kit for September. Sensible, black school shoes should be worn every day. There are some items of lost property which need to be claimed the first week back at school in September please.

SCHOOL MEALS

Unfortunately due to rising costs Herts Catering Ltd price for school meals will increase in September.

Nursery meals - £2.35

Primary meals - £2.45 (Years 3 – 6)

Adults - £3.45

Universal Free School Meals is continuing for Years Reception – Year 2

Please pay for your child's dinner money in ADVANCE, either weekly or half termly.



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EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE

The children have all settled well this week. Playing and exploring indoors and outdoors. Watch this space for photos next week!

Wellies and Umbrellas

If your child has outgrown their wellies we would be grateful if you donated them to us. Also if you have any unwanted children's umbrellas please bring them in for Nursery and Reception.



Our learning is important inside and outside the classroom and this term we are looking forward to exploring the world whatever the weather! Watch this space for future pictures of our Welly Walks.

The Garden and Outside Area

Can we please ask that no one enters the Early Years garden before school? This week we have put up a sign reminding carers that the children are not to play on the apparatus or go in the play house before school. This is for the children's own safety. Also sometimes we will have prepared activities or hidden surprises for the children in the outside area so would appreciate if these things are undisturbed so the children can have the best learning experience possible.

Thank you for your support and understanding,

The Early Years Team

PANTOMIME – OH YES IT IS!

We know it's early but...we have a preliminary booking to see Pinocchio in Hertford Theatre on Wednesday 19th December at 1pm. We have to pay in advance therefore a letter will soon be sent out requesting a payment to secure your

child's place. We have tried to keep costs down by choosing an afternoon performance which will mean we will only need the coach one way and parents/carers will be required to collect their child from the theatre in Hertford. Please keep an eye out for the letter in September.

FRIENDS OF WARESIDE NEWS (School PTA)

The first FRIENDS meeting will be on Thursday 13th September at 9am. Please join us to find out more about the work of FRIENDS and to find out more about our plans.

GLAXO'S ORANGE DAY AT WARESIDE!

GSK launched the Orange day, GSK's logo colour, initiative in 2009, which allows all GSK employees to take one day off a year to volunteer with a charity or good cause. On Thursday 29th the sheds by Class One were successfully demolished. The GSK team worked really hard and Mrs Duffy and Miss Aubrey kept them revitalised by supplying tea and cake! Mr Roberts lent us some of his tools which I am sure he will let us borrow for the items which need to be loaded into the skip.

We have a number of Victorian roof tiles salvaged from the sheds if anyone knows if we could sell these to contribute to school funds.

We also have a very large loud speaker system which was used by the Friends and school at fetes and other outside events but is too bulky to store and has been replaced by a new system and a fridge which we would like to sell. Again contributions, for both items, to school funds would be appreciated.



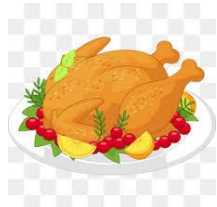
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SHARING LUNCH

We would like to invite all parents, carers, grandparents of the children to a Sharing Lunch on Wednesday 19th September at 11.45am. The school meal will be roast chicken and costs £3.45. Please reserve your place by paying, in cash, at the School Office. Thank you.

REMINDERS AND DATES FOR SEPTEMBER

PLEASE RETURN THE PHOTOGRAPH
CONSENT FORMS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

Wednesday 12th September – 3pm Meet the Teacher

Wednesday 19th September – Sharing lunch

Sunday 23rd September – Groundforce Day – information to follow

Sunday 14th October – 09:30 Harvest Festival at Holy Trinity Church

Monday 29th October – Friday HALF TERM – Please take note of this date as this is different to previous years!

Wednesday 19th December – Pantomime – Pinocchio at the Hertford Theatre

Thursday 20th December - Term Ends at 1:30 pm

Friday 21st December – Occasional Day – school closed

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