



Faith, Love, Courage, Patience

Wareside C of E School Newsletter

WOW! What's on, Wareside?

19th November 2020

LOCKDOWN BLUES – NOT AT WARESIDE

There's been a lot going on at Wareside. Of course, we took part in the national 2 minutes silence on Wednesday 11th November at 11 a.m. Rev Mark was also in school during the same afternoon for Collective Worship and showed us his video from the Church Remembrance Day service on Sunday 8th. Fynley looked curious and then asked the question. "Is that you singing Reverend Mark?", and indeed it was. The children were even more amazed as they discovered that Reverend Mark was also playing the piano! If you would like to hear the beautiful song, please click on the link, and scroll down to the Remembrance 2020 video. It begins with flags fluttering.
<https://hwwchurch.org.uk/remembrance-2020>

You will see below that Amazons have been involved in some rather exciting experiments while learning about the digestive system and volcanoes – although from what I hear they were not quite as dramatic as was hoped. Swallows chose the right time of year to carry out their science experiments – they needed rain and wind and hey presto! Please see the photographs below. I was also shown some lovely writing by one of the Year 1 children about Cinderella's pumpkin.

You may have heard from your children that we had a video company in school for the day recently. Starting with Breakfast Club the children were filmed climbing, running, riding, playing, computing, etc., to capture the essence of Wareside. This filming has been edited into a short montage and can be viewed on the website through this link:

<https://www.wareside.herts.sch.uk/>

Please take a look – all the children had a thoroughly good time.

We all hope our families are keeping well and assure you that we are here if you need us. Take care everyone.

Mrs Gaze

**IF YOU
"LIKE"
WARESIDE PRIMARY
PLEASE RECOMMEND OUR LOVELY
SCHOOL
TO ALL YOUR FRIENDS AND
ACQUAINTANCES**

NOW IS THE TIME FOR: -

PRIMARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

The application process for places at primary school for September 2021 opened on Monday 2nd November 2020. This process is for children currently in nursery. Please apply on line at

www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions

On-line applications close on 15th January 2021.

SWALLOWS

During our science lesson the children set up their own weather station in the school grounds to record the effects of the changing seasons. They will now collect data weekly, during this term to measure rainfall, wind strength and temperature



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The youngest children made flags to see how strong the wind blowing.

The Early Years children have listened to the story of Cinderella and wrote their own invitations to the Ball. The children felt some real cinders so they could experience just how dirty and dusty life for Cinderella would have been. The children also had great fun mark making with homemade charcoal.

In KS1 the children continued exploring the how to make strong bridges in Design and Technology. They looked at real world examples and experimented with different materials and shapes to help them plan their design.



AMAZONS

Learning about the messy world of the digestive system, was the focus of our science this week in Amazons class. Using various household objects the children saw the process of how the food we eat travels through our bodies and how waste material exits! The process is a long and

complicated one in reality, but as you can see, the children had lots of fun learning all about it!



SPORTING EVENTS

Well done to all of our children who have been participating in 'Personal Challenges' throughout the term, during their lunchbreaks. This year we managed to 'kill two birds with one stone' by combining our lunchtime skipping with the 'Pudsy Skipping Challenge'. A massive 'well done' to our overall winner: Solomon who received a certificate and a Pudsy wristband.

Mrs Simmons

UNIVERSAL FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Reminder – Children in years Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are eligible for Universal Free School Meals. Please contact the School Office if you would like to change your child's lunch choice.



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If your circumstances have changed due to COVID or for any other reason your child/ren may be entitled to Free School Meals. To find out if you are eligible please go to:-

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

and for information please go to:-

www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals

LIVING STREETS

Living Streets, the charity for everyday walking, have produced some resources to encourage primary aged children to walk more. By encouraging families to walk, scoot or cycle to school you can help reduce congestion and parking issues outside school. Walking is also important for health and wellbeing. You may wish to promote Living Streets' on-line resources to your pupils/parents/carers to encourage them to walk to school in September.

Resources can be found here... <https://www.livingstreets.org.uk/walk-to-school/primary-schools>

Sarah Elliott
Road Safety Officer
Active and Safer Travel |Highways |Environment and Infrastructure
Hertfordshire County Council

THE DIOCESE OF ST ALBANS

Charity GroceryAid has launched a School Essentials Grant scheme to help reduce the financial impact on parents. Parents can apply for a grant of £150 per school-aged child (up to

a maximum of three children per family) to go towards school essentials, subject to meeting the GroceryAid eligibility criteria. Many low-income families are forced to cut back on food and other essential items when buying new uniform for children, so the hope is that this will help them in what is an even more pressured time than normal. Find out more about GroceryAid and the grants by copying and pasting this link.

https://www.groceryaid.org.uk/get-help/school-essentials-grant/?utm_source=email&utm_medium=email-organic&utm_campaign=school-essentials&utm_content=GA-hyperlink

REMINDERS AND DATES

Thursday 26th November – second visit by the School Nurse Team to administer Flu vaccine

Wednesday 2nd December – Whole school Christmas crafts day

Wednesday 2nd December – School Nurse Team in school for a presentation to Year 6

Friday 11th December – Santa Dash

Wednesday 16th December – Christmas Jumper day and Christmas school lunch

Thursday 17th December – Virtual Pantomime, Alice in Wonderland

Friday 18th December – Last day of term, school finishes at 1.30pm