



Warmingham CE Primary School

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School Diary for the
Week Beginning:
26th January 2026

Monday

Hedgehogs PE

Tuesday

Squirrels & Badgers PE
Y4-6 Swimming
Ethos Club

Wednesday

Welly Wednesday Club
Drama Club

Thursday

Y3 & Y4 Wider Op Music
Whole School – PE
Music with Mrs Henry

KS1 Multi-Skills Club
Choir

Friday



**Isla K, Dinah, Rupert,
Teddy, Lydia and Mrs
Clark**

‘Let Your Light Shine’

Matthew 5:16

As many of you will have read in Mrs Badger’s recent letter, we are entering a new chapter for Warmingham and I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of the whole school community, to express my sincere thanks to Nic Badger for the exceptional support she has given to our school over the last seven years.

Nic has worked closely with Warmingham since 2019 and has been a constant source of guidance and encouragement during a period of significant change and development. Her care for our children, commitment to our staff and governors, and passion for small rural church schools has made a lasting impact. She has led with integrity, compassion and clarity, and her belief in Warmingham has helped to shape the positive journey the school is on today. I am sure you will join me, along with staff and governors, in thanking Nic for her dedication, care and inspirational leadership.

I would also like to reassure families that Warmingham will continue to be well supported as a proud member of the Cheshire Diocese Academies Trust (CDAT). CDAT provides ongoing challenge, collaboration and professional support, ensuring that we continue to build on our strengths and keep improving for the children in our care.

As part of CDAT, schools are organised into cluster groups, enabling close working relationships between schools with shared values and contexts. Warmingham is part of a cluster alongside Bunbury and St Oswald’s, as well as Brereton, Bosley, Astbury and Wynbury Delves. This means we will be able to continue our strong and valued relationships with the two schools previously alongside us in RCSAT, while also benefiting from opportunities to collaborate more widely across the cluster.

I am proud to continue leading Warmingham, supported by a dedicated staff team, committed governors and a caring, engaged parent community. Together, we will continue to place the children at the heart of everything we do and look ahead with confidence, hope and ambition for the future. Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Mrs Kate Appleby
Headteacher

We're Recruiting for Warmingham Wombles!

You may be aware that we have been trying to appoint an additional member of staff to join our Warmingham Wombles wrap-around care team. Unfortunately, we have so far been unsuccessful. We are therefore opening the role up to job-share, in the hope that this flexibility will enable us to successfully appoint staff to cover the week.

Wombles is a much-loved part of Warmingham life, and we are looking for someone kind, reliable and enthusiastic who enjoys working with children and building positive relationships. The role involves supporting children before and/or after school — sharing breakfast, playing games, getting outside, chatting, crafting, and helping children start or end their day feeling happy, settled and cared for.

Why might Wombles be right for you?

- Flexible hours, with job-share options available
- Rewarding work building strong relationships with children you already know
- A friendly, supportive school environment
- Training can be provided — what matters most is your warmth and care
- A chance to play a real part in school life beyond the classroom

Parents are very welcome to apply, and this role may suit someone looking for work that fits around family or other commitments.

Full details of the role are available on the school website. Please do consider applying yourself, or sharing this opportunity with someone you know who might be a great fit for Wombles.



Term Dates 2026-2027



Earlier this week, governors approved our term dates for the 2026-2027 academic year. A copy of these dates is included with this week's newsletter for your reference.

Please check the school term dates carefully before booking any holidays. Holidays taken during term time will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances, in line with national guidance.

Regular attendance at school is hugely important. Children benefit academically, socially and emotionally from being in school every day, learning alongside their peers and being part of the life of the class.

Warmingham Wakes – Saturday 2nd May 2026

Warmingham Wakes is a very special date in our school and village calendar, and each year it gives us a wonderful opportunity to help raise much-needed funds for St Leonard's Church.

As a church school, our relationship with St Leonard's is incredibly important to us. The church offers the school generous support — both spiritually and financially — and this support makes a real and lasting difference to the experiences we are able to provide for the children.

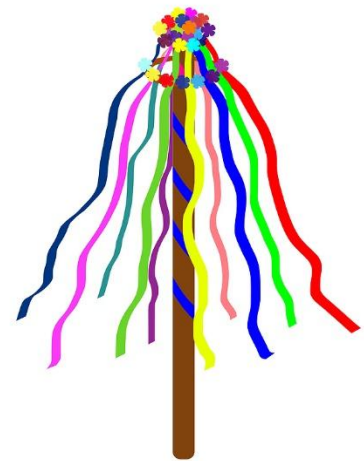
Through the School House Fund, St Leonard's helps to fund our music provision. Without this support, we would not be able to offer weekly instrumental lessons for the children in Squirrels Class, nor our much-loved weekly music lessons with Mrs Henry, which are such a valued part of school life. In addition, the church provides the school with a pot of funding that enables us to support families who may be facing financial difficulties — something we would be unable to do without their continued generosity.

Warmingham Wakes is our chance, as a school community, to give something back.

As in previous years, the children will be invited to take part in performing songs and traditional maypole dancing, which is always a highlight of the day and much loved by families and villagers alike. I appreciate that the Wakes falls over the Bank Holiday weekend, which is not always an ideal time for everyone. However, if you are around, we would be very grateful if you could consider signing your child up for the choir and/or maypole dancing — your support truly makes a difference.

The PTA will also be supporting the Wakes by running the BBQ and the ever-popular Jazzy Jar stall, with all money raised going directly back into school.

We would also like to remind families about the Annual Duck Drive on Friday 6th March — another important village event that our school proudly supports. Not only does it help raise funds, but it is also a fun-packed evening for the whole family and a lovely way to spend time together as part of the wider community.





Spring 2026

13th January – 24th March Year 4-6 Swimming at Sandbach Leisure Centre
 5th February MCP Indoor Hockey Y5/6 after school @ Middlewich High School
11th February Parents Evening
 13th February PTA Own Clothes £1
 25th February Parents Evening
 3rd to 4th March Hedgehogs Residential
 4th March CDAT Tag Rugby Y3/4 @ Brereton CE Primary 9.15-12.15pm
 12th March MCP Netball Y3/4 after school @ Middlewich High School
 18th March Own Clothes – Easter Eggs for the PTA Bingo
 19th March MCP Netball Y5/6 after school @ Middlewich High School
 20th March PTA Music Bingo
 26th March Hedgehogs trip to Knowsley Safari Park
 27th March Easter Service @ 10am

Summer 2026

15th to 17th April Squirrels and Badgers Residential
 2nd May Warmingham Wakes
 7th May MCP Football Y5/6 after school @ Middlewich High School
 20th May CDAT Y5/6 Hockey @ Brereton CE Primary 9.15-12.15pm
 21st May MHS Football Y3/4 after school @ Middlewich High School
 22nd May PTA Own Clothes £1
 11th June MCP Rounders Y5/6 after school @ Middlewich Primary
 15th June CDAY Y3/4 Hockey @ Brereton CE Primary 9.15-12.15pm
 18th June Sports Day
 24th June MCP Town Sports Y3-6 after school @ Middlewich Primary
 25th June Reserve Sports Day
 26th June PTA Family Quiz
 10th July Children's end of Year Reports
 15th July Break the Rules Day
 15th July Y6 Prom (Y5 welcome)
 17th July Celebration Service @ 10am

TERM Dates & INSET Days

New dates or changes to previously advertised dates are shown in bold