



Wardley CE Primary School

'With God's love we can do all things'

Newsletter

Autumn Term Dates

17.10.2025

OCTOBER

23.10.25 – School Disco: EYFS 2pm-3pm, Yrs1,2 &3 4pm – 5pm, Yrs 4, 5 & 6 5:15pm – 6:15pm

24.10.25: Non-uniform fundraising day for the school fund.

24.10.25: School closes for half-term at 3.15pm.

NOVEMBER

03.11.25: School closed for staff INSET training day.

04.11.25: Pupils back to school on Tuesday 4th November

06.11.25: Ethos Committee Meeting 2:30pm

10.11.24: National Anti-Bullying Week: wear odd socks to school

10.11.25: Antibullying Performance from the B Tales KS2 children

10.11.25: Autumn term parents' evening: 3.30 – 6pm.

11.11.25: Remembrance Day Worship in school and 11am respectful silence.

14.11.25: Children In Need fund raising – non-uniform day.

17.11.25: Autumn term parents' evening: 3.30 – 6pm.

20.11.25 – Individual photos in school

24.11.25: Governor visits in school

26.11.25: Y5 class visit to All Saints Church morning service -10am.

As we approach the end of the first half term, we can reflect on what has been a jam-packed few weeks.

The children have settled into their new school year groups with ease and are making good progress.

When I walk around the school it always calm and focused and the children are always smiling and very polite. Visitors to the school always comment on this and what a pleasure it is visit us!

Your child may have informed you that we had a practice fire drill earlier in the week. The children and staff were absolutely superb! Everyone was calm and followed procedure perfectly meaning that everyone was out of the building in record time!

As this was the first experience for our Nursery children and some of our Reception children, I took the time to double-check on them. The EYFS staff were full of praise for the children and told me how sensible and calm they had been. Well done everyone!

Classroom Update

Year 6 enjoyed their WWII workshop this week where they looked at many artefacts from this era including pieces of shrapnel, helmets, coins, food tins and a suitcase for an evacuee. They also looked at propaganda posters and listened to Chamberlain's announcement on the wireless! Year 4 also enjoyed their Anglo-Saxon workshop where they looked at battle formations. When I popped by I saw them fully engaged with swords and shields. What an experience!

Weekly Updates...

The children in Year 2 – Year 6 have completed their Autumn Term assessments this week. I have heard so many positive comments from the teachers about how well the children have attempted them. Every time I have popped into the classes, the children have been focused and working extremely hard. They are a real credit to you all! Test scores and outcomes will be discussed with you at parents evening.

Autumn Disco

Tickets to next week's disco are selling really well and I know how excited the children are about it. Just a reminder that Thursday 23rd October will see the school host our Autumn Disco. Children in the EYFS will enjoy their disco in the afternoon during the school day (the EYFS team will send out a separate letter about this event), but all other groups will enjoy their disco after school. Children in Years 1, 2 and 3 can return to school for 4:00pm – 5:00pm for their disco and children in Years 4, 5 and 6 can return to school at 5:15 – 6:15pm for their disco. Due to the time of year, if children would like to come to the disco in fancy dress, they may do so or they can simply wear their own clothes. Tickets are on sale via School Spider priced at £3.50 and this will include entry to the disco, a drink, a snack and glow sticks.

Poppy Appeal

We will be selling items from The Royal British Legion next week and during the first week back after the half term break. Children can bring in money to buy poppies (50p), reflective poppies (£1.00), bracelets (£1.50) and snapbands (£1.50). Please send money inside a labelled envelope as our Y6 children organise it all. Details on the envelope should be as follows: Name, class, item(s) required, money included.

Thank you in advance for supporting this wonderful cause. I know that the children love buying the poppy items.

Courageous Advocates

A huge well done to Ellie-Mae, Eleanor, Megan in Year 6 & Jeevan in Year 4 for standing up and talking about racism and Artificial Intelligence in front of the school. All of the girls spoke with confidence and clarity and I know that the rest of the children enjoyed listening to them.

Our next courageous advocacy will take place next half term. I will let the children know the date once I have organised the rota.

Non-Uniform Day – 24.10.24

On the final day of the half term, we will be hosting a non-uniform day in school. Lucy in Year 5 has been to see me to ask if we can raise some funds towards dyslexia- friendly books in school, which I think is a wonderful idea! As red is the primary colour to represent Dyslexia Awareness, with the "Go Red for Dyslexia" campaign encouraging people to wear red to challenge the negative connotations of the colour and instead celebrate strengths like creativity, courage, and different ways of thinking, we thought it would make sense if we all wear red on this day. Donations towards this day can be made via School Spider and we would like to thank you in advance for your support.

Reminders from the office

- Next week will be week 2 on the lunch menu.
- Dinner money next week is £10.50 and is due on Monday morning.

Our Christian values and thoughtful time

Collective Worship Theme – Justice

We listening to our final Bible story about justice this week. I shared the story of Lazarus and the rich man with the children which helped them to understand the difference between equality and equity. I have to say that the children have been really sensible and mature with their thoughts and reflections about this concept and I know that they have enjoyed learning about it.

Next week we will remind ourselves of our learning and reflect on The Wardley Way. I look forward to reading and listening to the children's ideas (as I know they will be brilliant!).

Home Worship Books

Although the children completed their Thoughtful Books in class this week, we did not get to share their ideas about what being fair means to them due to me having to cancel the session. But don't worry, we will look at them next week and see what everyone had to say. There will also be an opportunity for the children to bring in their Home Worship Books so we can see all of their wonderful ideas and reflections...and see who gets to have Sammy on their desk for the first week back after the half term holiday.

Have a wonderful weekend & God Bless you all
Mrs Walker