

# Warmsworth Primary School Newsletter October 2020

Thank you for your continued support to make our first half term back a happy and successful one! The children have worked really hard with their learning and they all looked wonderful last Friday when wearing yellow to raise awareness of Young Mind's Mental Health Day - they all looked so happy and made us all smile!

## Covid 19

Unfortunately, we are seeing a rise in positive cases of Covid 19 again within our school community.

We continue to implement our Covid 19 risk assessment in an attempt to limit any potential spread and keep everyone safe in school.

Teachers continue to identify close contacts of the positive case, so we can request that children (and staff) book and take a PCR test and self-isolate until a negative test result is received. Several children, who have been asymptomatic, and have been identified as close contacts have then been identified as positive cases through this process which has further protected our school community.

A huge thank you to those of you who have been affected by this over this half term - we appreciate that our current situation is not ideal and affects us all, but we are committed to trying to keep all our children, families and staff as safe and healthy as we can.

## School Council Members

We are pleased to announce the names of our children who applied and have been elected by their peers to represent them on our school councils:

- Sports Council
- Year 1 Ada and Belle
- Year 2 Charlotte and Piper
- Year 3 Dante and James
- Year 4 Aimee and James
- Year 5 Kian and Jacob
- Year 6 Henry and Charlie

### Eco Council

- Year 1 Euan and Seth
- Year 2 Alfie and Jenna



- Year 3 Harry and Frank
- Year 4 Grace and Oscar
- Year 5 Ava and Ethan
- Year 6 Calista and Ava

#### • Enterprise Council

- Year 1 Jack and Zach
- Year 2 Joseph and Charlie
- Year 3 Jacob and Louis
- Year 4 Edward and Noah
- Year 5 Evie and Oliver
- Year 6 Alesha-Mae and Sullivan

#### • Smile Ambassadors

- Year 1 Isabella and Stanley
- Year 2 Logan and Amiah-Rae
- Year 3 Daisy and Izabella
- Year 4 Logan and Ellie
- Year 5 Charlie and Max
- Year 6 Maddison and Billy

### • Reading Ambassadors

- Year 3 Ava and Harvey
- Year 4 Lacey and Ava
- Year 5 Aaron and Daniel
- Year 6 Eva and Olivia

## **Congratulations!**

Congratulations to Isla R in year 5 for being offered the role of Primary Ambassador for Doncaster! Isla applied to be the Junior Civic Mayor for Doncaster and was shortlisted in the final 6, and the judges were so impressed with her application and video statement that they have asked her to represent the children in Doncaster as a Primary Ambassador! Congratulations Isla - we are all incredibly proud of you and can't wait to her about your experiences!

Congratulations also to Lewis in year 3 and Lewis in year 4. Both of these children's designs were shortlisted in the last 16 from 24,500 entries in the Aldi 'Design a Lorry Competition' in the summer term. Although their design entries did not make it onto the side of a lorry, we are incredibly proud of them both and their achievements! If you would like to view the winning designs, please access the 'Get Set to Eat Fresh' website

https://getseteatfresh.co.uk/community/dalwinners

## Anti-Bullying Week

It is Anti-Bullying week starting on the 15th November 2021. At our school we do not tolerate bullying at any time, and encourage our children to speak out. We will continue to raise awareness in Anti-Bullying week through assemblies and class activities.

## Online Safety and Safeguarding

Cyber-bullying and online concerns are being reported to school more often recently.

Due to the age limits on social media sites and certain games, primary-aged children should have limited opportunities to be bullied or view inappropriate imagery online, however we are aware from talking to our children and parents that many of our children are accessing sites for older children/adults and are at risk. Children are reporting to us that they are on WhatsApp groups with their friends - please be aware that the minimum age for a WhatsApp group is now 16 years old. Please remember to be vigilant when your children are online or accessing social media.

If you would like any further information, please access the following websites:

https://www.net-aware.org.uk/ https://www.ceop.police.uk/Safety-Centre/

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/is-my-child-ready-for-socialmedia/

We have also been made aware of a series on Netflix called Squid Game that some of our older children are talking about – again this has a minimum age rating of 15 as there are inappropriate scenes for children throughout.

For further information and advice, please access the following website:

https://ineqe.com/2021/10/08/squid-game/



### Safer School App

We have free access to The Safer School app operated via Zurich Municipal. This app is designed for staff, pupils and parents/carers and pupils. It helps support and protect children by educating and empowering them at school and at home.

For those of you who have children in Key Stage 1 (F1-Y2), the app is not designed for your children to use or access alone but by downloading the App with parents

access, you will have access to information that you can share with your younger children and use to protect them.

The app may be downloaded for free from the Apple Store or Google Play store. When the app has downloaded:

Select "Warmsworth Primary School" from the drop down menu and enter the four digit entry code '7440' for parents access or '9342' for pupil access when prompted to do so.

## Children in Need:

We will be supporting BBC Children in Need in school after the half term break, on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November - more details to follow after half term!

#### Music lessons:

We are delighted that so many children have taken up the opportunity to learn a musical instrument in school this term - we now have a huge total of 132 musicians - 59 of whom are new starters this term. We offer this opportunity to all children in years 3 to 6, free of charge, as we believe it is very important for children to be exposed to a wide range of subjects for them to explore and succeed.

Our Warmsworth Band is also up and running and will be performing to the children in assembly soon after the half-term break. Being a member of the Warmsworth Band is free of charge and all children, who have been learning their instrument in school for at least one term, are welcome to come along every Wednesday from 3.15pm to 4pm.

### **Open Evenings:**

This term's open evenings are taking place straight after the half term break. This is an opportunity to formally discuss how your child has settled back to school, to hear about their strengths and any potential areas for development. We have listened to your feedback from last year and we have decided to offer a telephone call or face-to-face open evenings this year. We appreciate that a phone call is often more convenient for working parents, or for childcare reasons, and are happy to provide either option.

We are aiming for 100% contact, so if you haven't made an appointment yet for open evening on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> or Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021, it is not too late! Please see your child's teacher, or ring school on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November and we can then make an appointment for you.

## Attendance:

The table below shows the weekly average attendance figures for each class so for this half-term. Our school target is still 97% but we are aware that some classes are being affected by positive Covid cases at this present time.

Class	Average Attendance (%)		
F1AM	88.9		
F1PM	89.8		
F2MS	96.0		
F2LW	93.8		
1AS	91.4		
1EW	93.3		
2AS	95.4		
2VL	96.2		
ЗJC	94.0		
3CP	95.4		
4K <i>G</i>	96.0		
4HR/CB	96.9		
5JT	94.6		
5HK	91.5		
6LL	96.0		
6ES/NB	93.9		
TOTAL	94.3		

We are required to write to parents if a child's attendance falls below 95%. We will continue to closely monitor this over the next half-term. Wherever possible, medical and dental appointments should be arranged out of school hours; where this is not possible we need to see either an appointment card or receive a letter containing the appropriate details. Our aim is to have no children absent without authorisation and we rely on your help and co-operation to achieve this.

## Contact Details:

To support us in being able to contact you in an emergency and remain GDPR compliant, please inform the school office of any change in address and/or contact numbers asap - ideally we need at least 3 in case of emergencies.

## And Finally...

This term we have said our sad goodbyes to one of our Higher Level Teaching Assistants, Mrs Camplejohn, as she had begun on her next adventure. Mrs Camplejohn has been our French subject leader, and I know the children miss her, as do the staff! However, we are so pleased to share the news that Miss Edwards has extended her family with the birth of Evelyn over the summer holidays, and we are excited to see Miss Edwards and her family in school in the near future.

> Please remember that this half term is for 2 weeks this year (for this year only!) from the end of school on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October until 8.50am on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021.

Have a great half term break - have fun and stay safe!

Mrs Train

# Diary Dates

Mon	1 Nov	8:50am	All Years	School Opens
Mon	1 Nov	3:45pm	All Years	Parents Evening
Tues	2 Nov	3:45pm	All Years	Parents Evening
Tues	2 Nov	All Day	F1AM & F1PM	Hedgehog Hospital Visit
Wed	3 Nov	1:15pm-3:30pm	Year 5	Puberty Talk
Thurs	4 Nov	All Day	All Years	Light Faith Day
Tues	9 Nov	9:00am - 9:30am	F2	Parents Session
Tues	9 Nov	1:15pm-3:30pm	Year 1	Safe Touch Talk
Wed	10 Nov	9:00am-12:00pm	Year 1	Partake History - Toys Past and Present
Wed	10 Nov	9:00am - 10:00am	Year 2	Parents Session
Thurs	11 Nov	9:00am-10:00am	Year 5	Parents Session
Fri	12 Nov	All Day	Year 4	Jorvik Centre
	15-19 Nov	All Day	All Years	Anti-Bullying Week
Thurs	18 Nov	All Day	All Years	Individual Photographs/Siblings
Fri	19 Nov	All Day	All Years	Children in Need
Wed	24 Nov	9:00am-10:00am	F2 - Y6	Family Learning
Wed	24 Nov	2:30pm-3:30pm	F2 - Y6	Family learning
Thurs	25 Nov	9:00am-10:00am	F2 - Y6	Family Learning
Thurs	25 Nov	2:30pm-3:30pm	F2 - Y6	Family Learning
Thurs	25 Nov	9:00am - 10:00am	Year 6	Parents Session
Mon	29 Nov	2:30pm-3:30pm	All Years	Guitar Concert
Wed	1 Dec	2:30pm-3:30pm	All Years	General Music Concert
Thurs	2 Dec	2:45pm-3:30pm	Year 4	Enterprise Event
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Mon	6 Dec	1:15pm - 3:30pm	Years 3 & 4	Fire Safety Talk
Tues	7 Dec	9:30am - 10:30am	F1AM	Nativity
Tues	7 Dec	2:45pm - 3:30pm	F1PM	Nativity
Wed	8 Dec	9:30am - 10:30am	Year 2	Nativity
Thurs	9 Dec	9:30am - 10:30am	F2	Nativity
Thurs	9 Dec	ТВС	Year 1	Nativity
Fri	10 Dec	All Day	All Years	Christmas Jumper Day
Fri	10 Dec	12:00pm - 1:15pm	All Years	Christmas Dinner
Mon	13 Dec	1:15pm - 3:30pm	F2	Christmas Party
Mon	13 Dec	1:15pm - 3:30pm	Year 4	Christmas Party
Mon	13 Dec	2:30pm-3:30pm	Year 5	Enterprise Event
Tues	14 Dec	9:00am - 10:00am	1EW	Parents Session
Tues	14 Dec	1:15pm - 3:30pm	Year 2	Christmas Party
Tues	14 Dec	1:15pm - 3:30pm	Year 3	Christmas Party
Wed	15 Dec	9:00am - 10:00am	1AS	Parents Session
Wed	15 Dec	10:00am - 12:45pm	F1AM	Christmas Party
Wed	15 Dec	1:15pm - 3:30pm	F1PM	Christmas Party
Wed	15 Dec	1:15pm - 3:30pm	Year 5	Christmas Party
Thurs	16 Dec	1:15pm - 3:30pm	Year 1	Christmas Party
Thurs	16 Dec	1:15pm - 3:30pm	Year 6	Christmas Party
Fri	17 Dec	3:30pm	All Years	School Closes
Tues	4 Jan	All Day	All Years	Training Day - School Closed
Wed	5 Jan	8:50am	All Years	School Opens