



Warden Hill  
PRIMARY SCHOOL



APRIL 2021



## Update from the Headteacher

Dear Parents

Since our children came back to school they have shown such focus and determination with their learning and it's been wonderful to see them all catching up with their friends and the school staff.



### Active Lunchtimes

The active lunchtimes have made for healthy and happy addition to our wider provision. Active lunchtime sessions comprise of: Midday Supervisor-led activities, zoned areas with different pupil-led activities and an 'active' session with sports coaches as part of our Active 30:30. Active 30:30 has been developed to reduce sedentary behaviour and increase physical activity in young people outside of the timetabled curriculum.







We are also aware that, on some days, our children will just want to be able to have space to sit and talk to friends or to read a book. Therefore, during the Easter holidays, a small team of staff are meeting to create a more 'relaxed' area off the KS2 playground. I will update you with photos in the next newsletter.

### Parents' Evenings

I hope the conversations you have had from your parents evenings were informative in terms of your child's progress and the focus for next steps. Please remember that you can always contact your child's class teacher through the office on 01242 523827 or on [admin@wardenhill.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@wardenhill.gloucs.sch.uk) if you need to catch up on anything.

### Summer Term Curriculum Newsletters

Curriculum newsletters provide a snapshot of what's in store for the children next term. They can be accessed on our website via year group pages. Remember you can always pop in to the office to ask for a printed copy.

### School times for term 5

**Drop off** 8:45 am - 8:55 am

Please note, register is taken at 8:55 and children will be marked late after this time. Punctuality is key, so that the children can start the day right.

**Pick up** 3:00 pm for Reception, Years 3 and 4  
3:15 pm for Years 1, 2, 5 and 6.

### Breakfast and After School Club

WHASC will return to your normal provision. If you need to make any changes, please contact the Briony on [whasc@wardenhill.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:whasc@wardenhill.gloucs.sch.uk).

### Red Nose Day Total

Our children have raised over £900 for Comic Relief during our Red Nose Day! Thank you all for your incredible support.



**The money we raised will help transform lives here in the UK and around the world.**





## After School Clubs

As a staff we met this Wednesday to discuss after school clubs for our children. Obviously, I rely on the staff's goodwill for this and, therefore, to ensure that every year group is covered, we will complement our school offer with external coaches; this means that every year group will have at least 2 after school clubs to choose from.

The clubs will be run in year group bubbles and will all take place outside, to comply with our current risk assessment.



The booking system will operate differently and will be explained in more detail on the club letter next term, but effectively you will be able to request a place at a club for your child, we will then randomly select the children's names from the list. We are really excited to be able to offer our after school clubs and bring a bit of 'normality' back.

## Uniform

Please can we all make sure that our children come back to school in the full uniform after the Easter holidays; this means school shoes are obligatory from Monday 19th on their 'uniform' days.

## COVID-19 Risk Assessment still in place

As the lockdown restrictions continue to ease we will be able to mirror them as a school. However, until further notice, our Risk Assessment stays the same for term 5: staggered drop off and collection, social distancing on site, as well as wearing a face mask would all be very much appreciated.

## Staff Update

Our fabulous Site Manager, Mr Herbert, who has been with our school for 21 years, will be retiring at the end of July. The job has been advertised. Details can be found on our website: [wardenhill.gloucs.sch.uk/vacancies/](https://wardenhill.gloucs.sch.uk/vacancies/) Feel free to share if you know of anyone who would be interested in applying for this role.

Our amazing Wellbeing Lead, Mrs Smith, has also made the decision to go for an early retirement and

she will leave us at the end of July too. We held interviews two weeks ago, and I am delighted to inform you that Mrs Chavasse will be taking up the reins full time from September. Our children already know Mrs Chavasse through the Forest School sessions she runs, as well as being one of our Year 6 TAs.

One of our Admin Assistants, Mrs Allen, made the decision to leave the office team. We are incredibly grateful for her 9 years of service to our school. We wish her well for the future.

### **New School Proposed Images**

I am very excited to be able to share with you a glimpse of the images for the proposed building of our new school. When I have more detail I will share it with you, as well as the plans when they are uploaded onto the planning portal.

That just leaves me to say, I wish you all a very Happy Easter Weekend when it arrives, and we look forward to seeing all our children back in school on Monday 19th April.

As ever thank you for your continued support in all we do.

Yours  
George Flooks









# RECEPTION

# PIRATE DAY









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