



Autumn Term 2017



Welcome to the start of a new year at Warmington School. I hope you all had a restful summer. The children as always are looking very smart in their new school uniforms. We are all looking forward to working with our children, parents, governors and the local community to make this another successful year for Warmington School.

Diary Dates for Term 1 and beyond

<i>PFA walk for Thorpe Hall Hospice</i>	<i>Sunday 1st October @ Red Lion</i>	<i>2.00 pm</i>
<i>Girls' Football at Oundle Primary Years 4-6</i>	<i>Wednesday 4th October</i>	<i>4.00-6.00pm</i>
<i>➤ Badgers Macmillan Coffee & Friends and Family Assembly</i>	<i>Friday 6th October</i>	<i>2.45pm</i>
<i>Individual School Photos</i>	<i>Tuesday 10th October</i>	<i>8.45 am onwards</i>
<i>Harvest Festival at Warmington Church</i>	<i>Friday 13th October</i>	<i>2.30 pm</i>
<i>Year 6 Govilon Information Evening</i>	<i>Tuesday 17th October</i>	<i>3.30pm</i>
<i>➤ Parents Consultation Evenings</i>	<i>Wednesday 18th & Thursday 19th October</i>	<i>tbc</i>
<i>Small Schools' Football Years 5 & 6</i>	<i>Thursday 19th October</i>	<i>4.00 - 6.00pm</i>
<i>School Closed to pupils End of Term 1</i>	<i>Friday 20th October</i>	<i>3.15 pm</i>
<i>School re-open to pupils Term 2</i>	<i>Tuesday 31st October</i>	<i>8.50am</i>
<i>PFA meeting at the Red Lion Warmington</i>	<i>Wednesday 1st November</i>	<i>7.30 pm</i>
<i>➤ Fireworks and Bonfire night at the Red Lion</i>	<i>Friday 3rd November</i>	<i>Tbc</i>
<i>Foxes Friends and Family Assembly</i>	<i>Friday 17th November</i>	<i>2.45pm</i>
<i>➤ PFA Quiz Night</i>	<i>Friday 17th November</i>	<i>7.00 pm</i>
<i>➤ Year 6 Residential to Govilon Centre</i>	<i>Monday 27th November to Friday 1st December</i>	<i>9.00am</i>
<i>Hedgehogs Friends and Family Assembly</i>	<i>Friday 1st December</i>	<i>2.45pm</i>
<i>➤ PFA Christmas Disco</i>	<i>Friday 8th December</i>	<i>tbc</i>
<i>➤ PFA Wreath Night</i>	<i>Monday 11th December</i>	<i>tbc</i>
<i>➤ Warmington School Nativity</i>	<i>Wednesday 13th December</i>	<i>9.20am</i>
<i>➤ Warmington School Nativity</i>	<i>Thursday 14th December</i>	<i>6.00pm</i>
<i>School Closed to pupils End of Term 2</i>	<i>Wednesday 20th December</i>	<i>3.15pm</i>
<i>➤ Further details to follow</i>		



School Hall

Over the Summer Holidays we were very lucky to receive a donation from a member of the community to re-paint our school hall and I think you will all agree it is looking much better.



New Pupils

A big welcome to all our pupils who have started in Hedgehogs Class this autumn. We are also joined by Matilda (yr6) in Red Kites and Tabitha (yr3) in Badgers.

We have also welcomed 4 new children to Pre-school this September, Madison, Tobi, Jude and Isaac, who have all settled in well.



Badgers Assembly and Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

On **Friday 6th October** at Badgers Class will be holding their Friends and Family Assembly. **After** the assembly they will hold a coffee and cake sale in their classroom in aid of Macmillan Cancer research. Mr Carlyle will be available **from 2.15pm** for informal discussions with parents. We look forward to welcoming you if you are able to join us.



Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival this year will take place at **2.30pm in Warmington Church on Friday 13th of October 2017**. The PFA will kindly be providing tea and coffee **before** the Harvest Assembly **at 2.00pm** at the church and will be having a stall to sell unclaimed and donated school uniforms.



Individual School Photos

Tempest will be in to take individual school photos on **Tuesday 10th October 2017**, so please ensure that your child has a clean jumper/cardigan on this day! If you would like a picture of your child with a younger sibling who does not attend school yet, please come to school at 8.40 am on this day and wait in the school hall.



PWS YEAR 6 Open days and applications for a place

At the beginning of this academic year, it may feel strange to be thinking about the next academic year already. However, preparations are already taking place. Parents of children in Year 6 have already received an invitation from Prince William School for their Year 6 Open days. The closing date for secondary school applications **is Tuesday 31 October 2017 at 5pm** - For more information please go to <http://www3.northamptonshire.gov.uk/councilservices/children-families-education/schools-and-education/school-admissions/secondary-school-places/Pages/default.aspx>.



Reception places 2018

If you have a child who **turns 4 before 31st August 2018** it is time to apply for their school place. You can make your application and find helpful tips online at: www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/admissions. **The closing date for applications is 15th January 2018 at 5.00 pm.**



Open Week- 20th to 24th November 2017

We will be holding an open week for new parents at the school from the **20th to 24th November 2017**. If you have a child or you know of anyone whose child is due to start school next year and you would like to make an appointment to look around please contact the school office. **If you would be willing to display one of our posters at your place of work please contact the school office.**



Family and Friends Assemblies

Our friends and family assemblies continue this year to be on Fridays, however they will now be taking place in the afternoon of that day at **2.45 pm**. The dates for the next class assemblies are:

Badgers: Friday 6th October Foxes: Friday 17th November Hedgehogs: Friday 1st December



School Council and Eco-Action Team

Mr Thomas will hold elections for the Warmington School **ECO-Action team** before half term. Miss Ibotson has held elections for the **School Council** this year and we have some new representatives from each year. Miss Ibotson will also again be co-ordinating a Warmington Sports Council. Further information about how your child can get involved will follow shortly.



Vouchers

If you are able to support us by providing vouchers throughout the year i.e. Tesco, Nestle box tops, Morrison's and Sainsbury's, we would be grateful to receive them. We also have a box for recycled printer cartridges in the central area.



Parent Helpers

We are lucky to have several new volunteers this September. Bethany and Emily Williams are now running our Art Club on a Monday after school and we also welcome Mrs Hollie Rootham and Mrs Annie Faith.

Our parent helpers are invaluable to the school. If you would like to become a parent helper, please see Miss Guy in the School Office for a volunteer help form.



PFA

Our hardworking parents and friends make a massive difference to our children's experiences in school through their fundraising efforts. The PFA have already held their first meeting at the school with a further meeting planned for **Wednesday, 1st November 2017 at the Red Lion at 7:30pm.**

New members are always welcome. If you would like further information please do not hesitate to ask.



Breakfast and After School Clubs

We have a few places available at both our Breakfast Club and After School Club, should you be interested. **Breakfast Club** runs from **7.55 am until 8.50am** every school day and **After School Club** also runs every school day from **3.15-5.15pm**. If you require places at either club please ask for a booking form from the school office.



Health and Welfare

With a new term comes new sickness and diarrhoea bugs and we are revising our policy in line with the recommendations from NHS choices. Sickness and diarrhoea bugs can spread very easily, so your child should not return to school **until at least 48 hours** after their symptoms have cleared, to reduce the risk of passing it on. More information can be found at <http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/>.



Healthy eating

As a school, we promote healthy eating, which includes healthy lunch boxes. Our pupils are allowed sweets as a special treat and enjoyed in moderation. Children may bring their own water bottles to school, however they must contain water only. We have pupils with nut allergies; therefore, school is a nut free zone. I thank you for your cooperation in these matters.

Housekeeping



School Playground – after school ends

We are very happy for parents to let their children play on our school playground after they are dismissed from school each day, but must remind parents that all children should be supervised by a responsible adult during this time. There are rules for the use of our school play equipment and please may we ask that you **do not allow your children to climb fences/trees or swing on the school gates.** Thank you for your support.



No Dogs please!

No dogs (apart from assistance dogs) are allowed on the school premises at any time. Could we also ask parents, not to leave their dogs tied up unattended at the school gates. Thank you.

Names please!



Could we remind parents again to **clearly label their child's uniform and PE kit** with their child's name please. Also, as the winter months draw near could you ensure that your child has a **pair of indoor shoes** and a **coat** at school at all times please. Many thanks.

We have also been asked by some parents recently to clarify our school rules on hair and jewellery so please see below.

Jewellery/watches



Children are not allowed to wear jewellery or watches to school without permission from the Executive Headteacher, as such items are easily lost or broken. Children with pierced ears may wear small **studs** or **sleepers**, but they must be able to remove them, **unaided**, for PE. Please provide your child with a small container to keep them safe. The school cannot accept responsibility for any injury, loss or damage caused by wearing them.



Hair

Hair should be kept clean and tidy and should not be brightly coloured, worn in any extreme style or have an appearance inconsistent, in the Executive Headteacher's opinion, with traditional good standards of uniform. Hair extensions are not permitted and colouring is only allowed if it appears natural. No patterns or tramlines should be shaved into the hair or eyebrows. Long hair should be fastened back clear of the face at all times and must be in a plait or ponytail during PE, for reasons of safety. It is helpful if your child keeps a spare hair 'bobble' in their PE bag.



Pupil Absence

If your child is absent from school, please contact the School Office **before 9.30am** on the morning of their absence. A message will then be relayed to their Class Teacher. All absences should be followed by a letter upon your child's return to school. If no contact has been made by 10.30am, the School has a duty of care to check on your child's welfare, and the School Office will contact you to enquire why your child is absent from School. A reminder as well to complete the leave of absence request form for any planned absence including holiday requests. I can only grant permission for holidays in exceptional circumstances.

School Day

A gentle reminder that the school day begins at 9.00am. The doors will open from 8.50am each day and the school gates will be locked by 9.05am to enable the school day to begin

Thank you again for all the support you give us in so many different ways and we look forward to working with you this year. As always Warmington School prides itself on being a friendly open school and if there is anything we can support you with or if you have a query or need information, please do not hesitate to come in and see me or one of our members of staff.

Yours sincerely,

Mr E Carlyle
Executive Headteacher

