

Newsletter – Summer Term



Wistaston Academy
Primary and Nursery School
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This Week's Events

Date	Event
Monday 21 st June	Walk to school week Y4 Dodgeball Club
Tuesday 22 nd June	Y2 Dance Club Y5 Cricket Club Last day of Sponsored Read
Wednesday 23 rd June	Y6 Cricket Club
Thursday 24 th June	Sports Day Sponsored Read sponsorship money collection day Y3 DODGEBALL CLUB CANCELLED
Friday 25 th June	Y1 Dance Club
Advanced Notice:	
Polite Notice:	Please note the school office opens at 8.30am each morning and is manned until 4.30pm. Before and after these times, there will be no access to the Main Reception area.

We are Brilliant Winners

KS1: Tommy, Filip, Rosalie, Somaia

KS2: Jacob, Logan, Natalia, Jessica, Kacper

Next week is 'Walk to School Week', week commencing 20th June. We would love to see as many children as possible walking, cycling and travelling on their scooters to school. If you normally drive to school, what about parking a bit further away from school this week and walking part of the way? For every day your child is active travelling to school this week and next week they will receive an achievement mark on Arbor, which you will be able to see on your school gateway.



Remember to leave your bikes and scooters by the bike shed at the front of the school!
School will not accept any responsibility for bikes which are left unlocked.

Sports Day

Sports day will take place next week on Thursday 24th June. A reminder that unfortunately parents and carers will not be able to spectate this year due to the governments latest decision to delay lifting COVID-19 restrictions.

Children should come to school in Sports Day Kit (black shorts, teams coloured t-shirt). England (red), Portugal (green), Sweden (yellow) Italy (blue).

In the case of hot, sunny weather your child must wear a sun hat and sun cream. Please also ensure that your child has a bottle of water to take out with them onto the field.

Nursery

This term we have been learning all about minibeasts. Our favourite story so far has been 'Creepy Crawly Calypso'. After reading the story the children spent the session looking for minibeasts in the outdoor area. We then decided that we needed to make a home for them to live in. After doing some research the children worked in pairs to collect lots of natural resources to make the bug house. The children did a fantastic job and we have seen lots of bugs choosing to live in our new bug house.



Reception

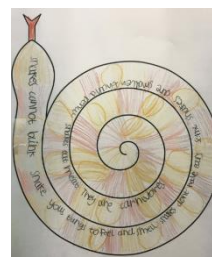
This week as part of our 'Fantastic Football' topic we have learnt all about Poland, one of the teams taking part in this week's Euros. The children learnt to recognise the Polish flag, listened to the National Anthem and they also learnt how to say hello **cześć**, good morning **Dzień dobry** and goodbye **do widzenia** in Polish. The best part of the week was tasting some traditional foods from Poland; dumplings, crackers and sweet chocolate bread. The children loved them. Yum!



Year 1

Year 1 are really enjoying their 'Amazing animals' topic! So far they have been learning about reptiles and this week they have been finding out lots of facts about snakes. They then chose their favourite facts and wrote them on a snake outline. Finally, they added the snakeskin and carefully cut out the outline.

They looked great!



Year 2

We are having lots of fun in our Let's Grow topic. We have been continuing to look after our plants outside the classroom and are very excited because we can see some strawberries starting to grow. We have also had lots of fun looking at seeds and bulbs under the electronic microscope. We couldn't believe what they looked like!



Year 3

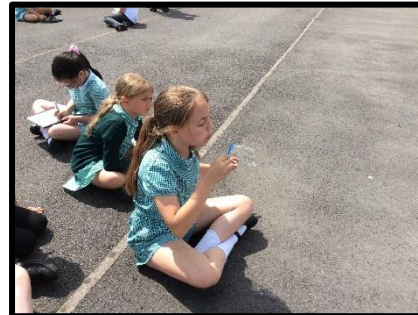
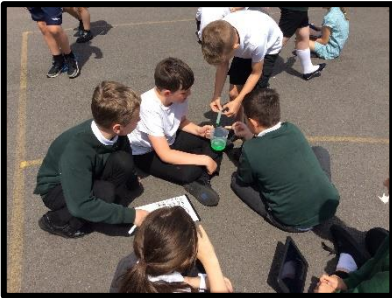
Last week for Pens Down Day, we were introduced to our new Science topic, 'We are Astronauts'. In Literacy, we watched a film representation of a rocket launch and created a tableaux to show the launch, the landing on the moon and the return to home on Earth. In the afternoon, we talked about what astronauts are and how it would feel to be an astronaut. We watched clips of rockets launching into space and learned about how rockets work. We went outside to conduct a class demonstration of a water bottle rocket (scan the QR code to watch our video!). Finally, we made our own paper rockets and investigated what made them fly well.



SCAN ME

Year 4

This week in Science we continued our Working Scientifically unit on 'Bubbles'. We investigated how we can make bubbles last longer. We added a substance called 'glycerine' a drop at a time to a mixture of bubbles that we made and found out that the more glycerine we added, the longer the bubbles lasted.

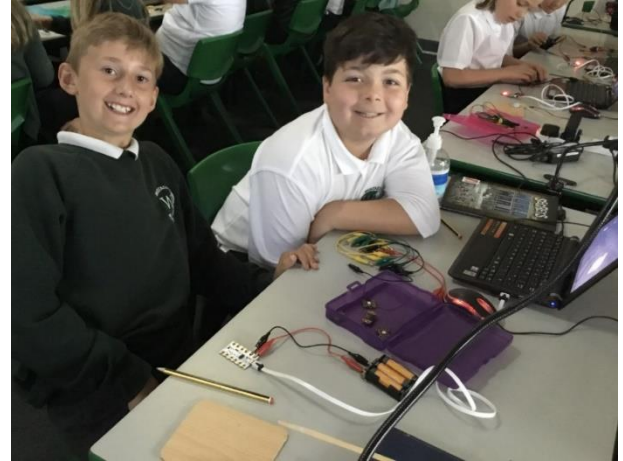


Year 5

Written by Romeo Rodrigues 5A

Today we had a coding/engineering workshop with skill supply. We learnt what an engineer can do, what an engineer is and the different types of engineers – we focused on acoustic engineering. We were given some mechanical items such as a crumble. We learnt where to put the wires and what the different colours meant. The exciting part then came where we got to use a computer to code the crumble. If we did the correct code, an item that had a stick connected to it would move where we wanted it to. We used this to make music and a sound, not noise. We all had different instruments it was great fun; I used a rhythm that I have heard and it worked very well. I really hope we can do it again another time.





Year 6

Year 6 have been investigating dinosaurs. We have looked at their adaptations to the various eras, designed our own to suit a specific environment and have created trace fossils and fossil molds from salt dough.



Teaching Assistant Support (Primary) - 32.5 hours per week

£9.81 to £10.21 hour depending on experience

39 weeks per year (Term Time Only)

Grade: 4 Teaching Assistant Temporary until July 31st 2022

We are looking to appoint a suitably qualified and experienced KS2 Teaching Assistant to provide support within our Year 4 cohort, particularly to those who have special educational needs. It is essential that the suitable candidate will be skilled and have training and experience of working with children.

We would love to hear from you if you:

- Are keen to work in a supportive, learning environment
- Work well in a team
- Are able to bring energy and enthusiasm to the role

The successful candidates will have excellent communication skills and a commitment to enriching the learning experience for our pupils. We are looking for someone who will engage themselves with the children.

Contact the school office to attend a tour of the school on

Wednesday 23rd June at 4pm

Due to COVID-19 measures all visitors will need to provide and wear a face mask whilst on the school premises and follow good hygiene and respiratory practice during the tour.

It is strongly advised that you visit the school for a tour prior to submitting an application form.

All applicants will undergo enhanced DBS checks and take up references and if possible, telephone the people named on your application form. All members of staff will be expected to uphold the highest standards of pupil safeguarding and confidentiality.

Wistaston Academy has a duty of care to the children in our charge and we must do everything we can to provide a safe and caring environment whilst they are at School.

'All those who come into contact with children and families in their everyday work, including practitioners who do not have a specific role in relation to child protection, have a duty to safeguard and promote the welfare of children.' DfE

Wistaston Academy application forms **must** be used, these can be obtained from

<http://www.wistastonacademytrust.co.uk>

Completed forms may be emailed to office@wistastonacademytrust.co.uk or by post to Wistaston Academy, Moreton Road, Crewe, Cheshire CW2 8QS.

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For further information about our school, please go to the school website.

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Teaching Assistant with Speech and Language Specialism (Primary) - 32.5 hours per week

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39 weeks per year

Grade: 5 Teaching Assistant Temporary from 1st September 2021 until July 31st 2022



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We are looking to appoint a suitably qualified and experienced Teaching Assistant to work mornings in class and afternoons delivering Speech and Language interventions, as well as other interventions as the need arises.

The morning role will involve working closely with the class teachers and other teaching assistants within the school and will include planning and preparation of resources and supporting small groups or individuals. There will also be a requirement to teach a Read Write Inc phonics group.

During afternoon sessions, the successful candidate will support pupils with communication difficulties on a one-to-one or small group basis, following care plans provided to you.

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Experience of promoting children's speech and language skills would be beneficial, as well as knowledge and understanding of phonics interventions.

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Visyon Parent/Carer Webinars – June-July 2021

Our Parent Webinars are intended to offer information and ideas to help you in supporting your child with understanding and managing their emotions and wellbeing. These are open to parents/carers or other interested family members.

The webinars are delivered as a presentation on Zoom. As a participant you are not connected via video or audio but may interact or ask questions using the typed chat function. The webinars are delivered by Laura Kerr (Family and Schools Wellbeing Worker) and Paula Duncan (Young Person's Counsellor)

We have had really positive feedback from parents who have attended previous webinars who have said it's helped them understand their child's emotions and behaviour and offered practical strategies to try at home. Comments we received included:

" I thought it was a great insight to understanding how my daughters may be feeling. I actually found lots of it relevant to myself too".

"I really appreciate you doing these webinars. I have booked onto more as I found it excellent and really informative."

"This has been very reassuring to me as I feel like I am approaching things the right way. Thank you"

The forthcoming webinars are:

Wednesday 30th June 2021 9.30-10.30am –Supporting Your Child's Wellbeing
https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_zt5UPV7nQkOttOaLLu86qg

Wednesday 7th July 2021 9.30-10.30am – Supporting your Child to get better sleep
https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_DxsfDsVETiaAXkP4QPNpNA

Wednesday 14th July 2021 9.30-10.30am - Understanding and Managing Anxiety
https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_zJj5p_qtSxyag5vg8JChcQ

Please click on the relevant link to register in advance for the webinar(s) you wish to attend. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

The webinars have a maximum capacity of 100 people so please let us know if you can no longer attend so we can re-allocate the places. We will have a recording available to send out after the event and will send this to all registrants. If you wish to only receive the recording please indicate this on the registration so we don't count you towards the numbers.

If you are interested in finding out about other ways in which Visyon might be able to support you and your family, please visit www.visyon.org.uk.



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Make sure you know how to report content on any sites or apps that you use. Don't be afraid to report any hateful posts that you see.



Don't respond to the people posing hate: sometimes an ongoing conflict is exactly what they want. Instead, report, block and unfollow them.



Set a positive example through your own online behaviour. Before you post or share anything, ask yourself if you would say it to someone offline.



Show support for online campaigns against hate and 'like' posts that you see promoting positive messages. You could leave an encouraging comment, too!



If you see upsetting messages online, talk to your friends and family about them. Maybe take a break from the app or site you saw them on.



Remember that you have the power to shape your online world. Engage with posts or accounts that inspire kindness and connection, and block or unfollow the ones that don't.

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YOUR FAMILY'S SUMMER ENTERTAINMENT IS SORTED WITH TATTON PARK POP UP FESTIVAL



THERE'S PLENTY TO KEEP THE CHILDREN ENTERTAINED THIS SUMMER AT THE FIRST EVER TATTON PARK POP UP FESTIVAL! STARTING ON FRIDAY 25 JUNE AND RUNNING UNTIL AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY SUNDAY, THE AMAZING FAMILY LINE UP HAS THE ABSOLUTE BEST CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT LIVE EVERY WEEKEND - AND TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW.

YOU CAN PURCHASE TICKETS FOR OUR SOCIALLY DISTANCED 'SQUARES' OF BETWEEN FOUR AND SIX PEOPLE, SO YOU CAN RELAX IN COMPLETE SAFETY. LOCATED IN FRONT OF OUR UNBELIEVABLE FESTIVAL STAGE AND THE BEAUTIFUL TATTON LAKE, EVERY EVENT WILL HAVE MUSIC AND ENTERTAINMENT AND THE FESTIVAL WILL INCLUDE ALL KINDS OF SURPRISES AND TREATS FOR YOUR LITTLE ONES. WE'VE ONLY GOT 166 'SQUARES' PER EVENT, SO DON'T DELAY! GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY!

SAFETY IS OUR TOP PRIORITY AND EACH EVENT BE SOCIALLY DISTANCED. WE'LL BE ASKING PEOPLE TO ABIDE BY COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS, AND WE'VE TAKEN EVERY STEP TO MAKE SURE THE EVENTS ARE SAFE FOR EVERYONE.

OUR CHILDREN HAVE FORGONE SO MUCH THIS LAST YEAR - LET'S GIVE THEM A CELEBRATION PARTY TO REMEMBER!

WE CAN'T WAIT TO WELCOME YOU TO OUR STUNNING LAKESIDE FOR THIS SUMMER'S TATTON PARK POP UP FESTIVAL!

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We are **RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS!**

We would like to build upon an already long-standing PTA to assist/support the school and pupils of Wistaston Academy.

Everyone who is a parent/carer is eligible to become a member of the PTA, but this extends to grandparents as well, if they wish to be involved.

We need YOU, to help us, help the school.

- Volunteering your time, to help organise and run events at the school. An hour of our time to serve drinks to the children at the school disco perhaps? Or 30 mins staffing a stall at the Christmas fair?
- Give us your ideas and suggestions. What would you like to see/do to support our school? We will be adding a PTA Postbox to the school, and would love to see your suggestions for events that we could work on. Just drop a letter into the PTA Postbox for us and we will put your ideas in for consideration. Both the teachers, and the School Council (run by the pupils), will be involved in the process.
- Encouraging a sense of community with both the school and the families that are currently with us.
- We want the parents/carers and pupils to enjoy events with us, while raising funds for the school, and for charities.

The pandemic has caused us all hardship, in varying degrees, and we would like to be able to support both the school and the parents/carers. With this in mind, we would like to organise a uniform swap or sell event. This would help parents/carers keep their costs down and encourage recycling of uniforms and equipment. Further details will be made available at a later date.

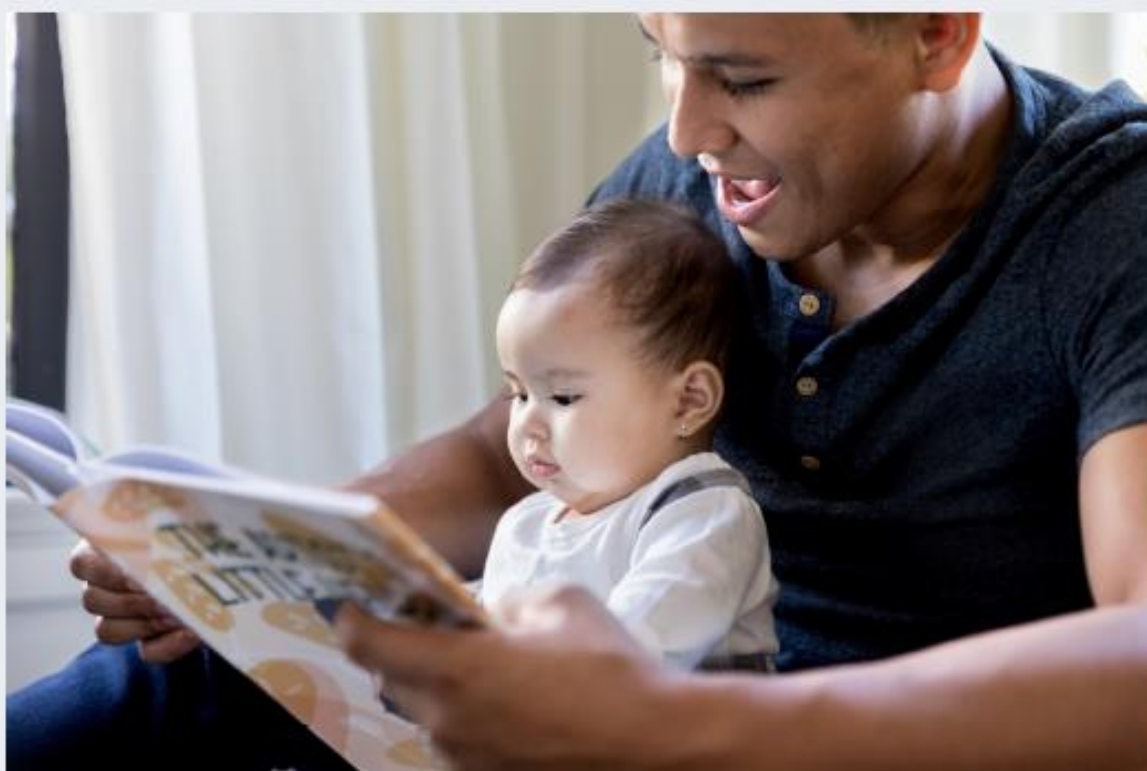
Membership

We are recruiting volunteers to join us. There are many ways in which you can participate, using your existing skills and knowledge, and your involvement can be as flexible as you need it to be.

If this sounds like something you would like to be a part of, drop your name & contact details into the PTA Postbox outside the school office and we will contact to you.

Top Tips for Parents

Turn the page and take a look... snuggle up and share a book!



Sharing books from an early age supports language development



Find us on Facebook!
'Cheshire East Chatters'



Did You Know?

Reading with your child from an early age will:

- Enhance the bond between you and your child
- Develop your child's understanding
- Increase the number of words your child can say
- Support attention and listening skills
- Aid the development of social skills and emotional understanding



Tips for sharing books with your child:

Find a cosy spot and cuddle up with your child, this is all part of the book-sharing experience!

Choose a book that is written for your child's age, they will find it easier to follow

Make sure that your child can see the pictures in the book, this will help them learn new words

Be creative, adding actions or silly voices to the story will bring it to life!

It's ok not to read the words in the book. You could just talk about the pictures that your child is interested in

Read the same stories over and over again. Children learn best through repetition

WHAT TIME IS IT? IT'S SUMMERTIME! Monday 19th July to Friday 23rd July 2021

<u>DAY OF THE WEEK</u>	<u>MORNING ACTIVITY</u>	<u>AFTERNOON ACTIVITY</u>
MONDAY 19TH JULY EXPRESS YOURSELF	MAKING MUSICAL INSTRUMENT 	TALENT SHOW 
TUESDAY 20TH JULY ART ATTACK DAY children to bring in their own old t-shirt so that they can upcycle it	CREATE YOUR OWN T-SHIRT 	MAKE YOUR OWN BALLOON SQUISHY 
WEDNESDAY 21ST JULY WACKY WEDNESDAY DRESS UP DAY	WACKY PARTY/ PHOTO SHOOT 	MAKE YOUR OWN WACKY PHOTO FRAME 
Thursday 22nd July YOUR CHOICE children to bring in their own beach towel	SAND ART 	BEACH PARTY 
Friday 23rd July BRING THE BEACH TO WIZZ KIDZ children can bring in their own games from home	FREE CHOICE OF WIZZ KIDZ RESOURCES 	GAMIG AFTERNOON-WII/DS/IPAD 

Just a little reminder

- Please make sure your child/children have a packed lunch every day.
- Please provide a change of clothing/ sun cream and hat as we will be doing lots of outdoor activities.
- We will provide breakfast up until 8.30am and a light meal at 4pm.

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THROUGHOUT THE DAY**

SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB MONDAY 16th AUGUST TO FRIDAY 20th AUGUST 2021

DAY OF THE WEEK	MORNING ACTIVITY	AFTERNOON ACTIVITY
MONDAY 16th August Arts and Crafts	Paint your own plant pot. 	Make a garden windmill. 
TUESDAY 17th August Gardening Day	Summer Planting 	Make your own bird feeder 
WEDNESDAY 18th August Forest School children will need a change of clothing	Forest School 	Forest School 
THURSDAY 19th August Outdoor Day children can bring in their own teddy/toy for the picnic	Outdoor games 	Teddy bear picnic 
FRIDAY 20th August Pyjama Day children can come to Wizz Kidz in their pyjamas	Pyjama party 	Film, pizza, popcorn 

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British Values

<p>British Values 14th June – 20th June 2021</p> <p>Mutual Respect and Tolerance Some people have more confidence to speak in public than others. It is helpful to work as a team and give others our support if some of our classmates find it more difficult.</p> 	<p> 14th June 2021</p> <p>UN Rights of a Child</p> <div data-bbox="815 376 979 591" style="border: 1px solid blue; padding: 5px;"><p>We are given opportunities in school to speak aloud in public. Some of us may find this difficult but, if we are supported, it will help us to fully develop our personalities, talents and abilities.</p></div> <div data-bbox="1066 376 1238 591" style="border: 1px solid orange; padding: 5px;"><p>29</p><p>AIMS OF EDUCATION</p></div>
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