

The LWPS Weekly Bulletin

Week Commencing Monday 20th January 2025

Headteachers Comment

Dear Families,

It has been another busy week and the children have got well and truly stuck into their topics! When I have popped into classes I have been really impressed by the way children have talked about their learning and it has been great to see them fully engaged in asking and answering questions during class discussions. There have been lots of achievements made and some of these have been celebrated in assemblies on both sites today with many pupils bringing home certificates along with their proud smiles!

Thank you for your help following my letter last week to do with the timings of the school day. It is reassuring to see pupils at the Winfrith site waiting with parents/carers before they are welcomed into the school by staff and I want to thank you for ensuring you are picking up your children promptly at the end of the school day, Owls club session or from the minibus. I am also pleased to say that we now have 70% of families who have updated their permissions on Arbor. We have emailed all families who have not yet completed this action and I would be very grateful if this could be completed as soon as possible. Thank you for your support with this.

At the start of a new year, it is also a great opportunity to revisit the school uniform policy and check that all families are adhering to it. Wearing a uniform helps children to build a real sense of belonging within our school community and I have already had a number of pupils point out details on their school fleece/jumper logo very proudly. Our school uniform aims to be comfortable and practical so that our children can be active learners who can live out our school vision whilst feeling happy and included. Moving forward, please can I ask all parents/carers to strive to ensure their child wear the correct uniform items. In particular, I have noticed some pupils are wearing trainers rather than black shoes and/or patterned jogging bottoms rather than plain, dark grey/navy/black. Children should only be wearing PE kit on the days they have PE. If you do have any questions/concerns about any part of our school uniform expectations, please do get in touch and I would be happy to discuss these with you.

Finally, I wanted to thank all those of you who attended the PTFA meeting which was held today. I am sure you will join me in thanking this team of people for volunteering their time in this way. The money they fundraise goes directly to opportunities for our children and I know that their efforts so far are already significantly helping to reduce the costs of upcoming trips. If you would like to support the PTFA further then please do contact them by emailing at the following address: lulworthwinfrithpta@outlook.com

Have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Griffiths

(Headteacher)



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NOTICES AND REMINDERS

UNIFORM

The start of a new year is always a good time to check that your child has everything he/she needs to ensure they are adhering to our school uniform policy. Staff have spoken to some children as they have noticed pupils wearing trainers or an item which is not part of the PE uniform. We would be grateful for your support in this area.

Main uniform:

Burgundy cardigan or sweatshirt with logo, white blouse, shirt or polo shirt, dark grey skirt or trousers or tailored shorts, black shoes (no trainers)

PE kit:

Burgundy shorts, plain dark grey/navy/black joggers, yellow t-shirt with logo, burgundy sweatshirt/hooded top or burgundy school fleece/jumper with logo, trainers

Please can you ensure that your child's items of clothing are clearly labelled. We have a number of sweatshirts and cardigans without names in lost property.



SAFEGUARDING

Since the start of term, staff have noticed that some children are making references to films, online games and other TV series that are aimed at much higher ages. For example, you may be aware of a Netflix TV series called 'Squid Game'. It has been released for some time but a further series has recently been added. It has a certificate rating of 15 years+ due to its extreme violence, and so it is not suitable for primary aged children. This and other similar shows may be shown on media platforms such as TikTok and Instagram.



Children may not have watched the film/series themselves, but they may well have come across it on the internet in one way or another. If a child watches a clip of anything on YouTube, further 'linked' suggestions come up on the right hand side and this can lead to potentially inappropriate things being viewed. If primary school age children view content like this, we tend to find it comes out through their play and sometimes they are not fully aware of the sinister undertones. Please make sure that you continue to monitor what your children are watching on TV as well as what they are viewing online also. This is always good practice and helps keep your children safe whilst online.

CAR PARKING



I have been contacted by several members of the community this week to express concern about car parking and its impact on safety for your children.

On the Lulworth site, the school car park should be available as a turning circle but unfortunately this is getting blocked by cars which are parked. Please can I ask parents/carers to therefore park their cars safely in nearby residential roads and, if needed, walk the short distance to collect your child.

On the Winfrith site, I completely understand that there is no assigned school car park and this makes it very tricky. However it is essential that we recognise our youngest children are walking straight onto a road and we therefore need to ensure cars are not making this more dangerous.



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Schedule of Events

Month	Event	Agreed Date/ Time	Location
February	Last day before half term Half term break Pupils return	Friday 14th @ 3.15pm Monday 17th to Friday 21st Monday 24th @8.45am	

PE Timetable

KS1		KS2	
Class Name	Day	Class Name	
Robins/Woodpeckers	Monday	Bindon/Hambury/Worbarrow	
Robins	Tuesday		
Woodpeckers	Wednesday	Hambury/Worbarrow	
	Thursday	Bindon	

