### Wallscourt Farm Academy



Welcome to Term 5! We have had a fantastic start to the term with learners enjoying reconnecting and being excited about their learning. In year 3, the children have seen films of talking washing machines and lamps asking children to think about how they work. In Year 4, children have been reviewing literature to consider how authors use different techniques to engage their readers. We are looking forward to seeing how year 4 use those techniques in their own stories when they write them. We hope you enjoyed finding out more about your children's learning when you met with their teachers online at family learning conferences. If for any reason, you weren't able to attend, please contact the Welcome Zone to rearrange.

# 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2021

# **Events Calendar**

29 <sup>th</sup> April 2021	Mr Motivator live online
3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2021	for CLF Bank holiday – school
	shut
5 <sup>th</sup> May 2021	CLF Big Run/Walk
27 <sup>th</sup> May 2021	Last day of Term 5 for children
7 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	First day of Term 6

#### **Staffing Updates:**

- Helen Rea has been successfully appointed as Assistant Principal whilst Charlotte Black is covering the Vice principal role for the duration of Hannah McDonnell's maternity leave.
- Welcome to Becky Doughty who is providing additional support to learners in years 2 and 3.
- We are also welcoming three trainee teachers this term, Anna Tattersall (Y6), Jess Graham (Y1) and Emma Pickett (Oak)



We are excited to share the news that Ms Karslake is expecting a baby in September. Miss McDonnell had a baby boy, Beauden in March, and Mrs Culverwell had a baby girl, Molly in April.



On **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> April Mr Motivator will be doing a live Zoom workout at 9:30** for all the students and staff across CLF. Children will need to come to school in sports clothes but these can be as creative and colourful as they wish!

There will be a prize for the most creatively dressed child and adult.



#### CLF Big Run/Big Walk

On Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May, WFA will be taking part in the CLF big run/walk. On that date, every class will run/walk a mile during the school day. They can come to school in their usual athletes kit for the day. We have a WFA target of 500 miles so we will be challenging learners to do additional miles during the month of May. Mr Miller will be sending further information about this soon.



Please make sure we have the most up to date contact details including mobile number and emails for our school comms text and email service Follow us on twitter @wallscourt and the learning zones @YRWFA, @Y1WFA, @WfaYear2, @Y3WFA, @Y4WFA, @WFAYear5, @WFAYear6 @WFAtheArtists These are official school twitter accounts

# Sun Safety

Although we are only in April, we are staring to enjoy some much warmer weather. Please ensure your child has sun cream on as they do spend time playing and learning outside. There are some brands which last the whole day. If you haven't got the long lasting brand, we can support your child to reapply the cream themselves at lunchtime. Please do not send in sunglasses.

## Staggered start and end times

These are the times that your child needs to be going into their learning zone. Please arrive at school only a few minutes before this time. We will call children in through the gate slightly before their start time.

Years 5 and 6 - 8.35-3.05

Years 1 and 2 - 8.40-3.10

Years 3 and 4 - 8.45-3.15

#### Year R - 8.50-3.20

At the end of the day, **please leave as soon as you have collected your child** as we cannot let the next group of parents in until we have cleared most of the playground. We really appreciate your support with making this system run smoothly.

## **Trim Trail and Monkey Bars**

Please do not let your child use any of the outdoor equipment at the beginning or end of the school day. This equipment is for use during learning time only.

## Parent Surveys

In the next few weeks we will be sending you some parent surveys. The first one is a parent questionnaire using the OFSTED questions to gather your views of the school. This is a form we do annually and usually hand out at Family learning conferences. The second is a form to gauge your interest in summer holiday activities and clubs.

Term Dates 2020-21						
Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6	
Tuesday 1st September- Friday 23rd October 2020 INSET – Tuesday 1st September, Thursday 22nd and Friday 23rd October 2020	Monday 2nd November- Friday 18th December 2020 INSET – Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 202 0	Monday 4th January- Friday 12th February 2021 INSET- Monday 4th Jan uary 2021	Monday 22nd February- Thursday 1st April 2021 INSET- Wednesday 17th March 2021 Good Friday 2nd April 2021	Monday 19th April – Friday 28th May 2021 May Bank Holiday Monday 3rd May 2021	Monday 7th June - Wednesday 21st July 2021 INSET- Friday 2nd July 2021	
Term dates for 2021-22 are now on the WFA website						

Please only book a holiday during school holidays. We do not authorise holidays taken during term time.