

As we come to the end of term 3, we have much to celebrate. We have been truly amazed each and every day in the ways children, families and staff have shown such resilience and determination throughout the National Lockdown and restricted school attendance. Despite the challenges of switching to online learning at the start of term, children have adapted with such positive attitudes and engaged in the live lessons as well as accessing the breadth of the curriculum through the teaching PowerPoints. Through great team work and dedication, we have seen increases in remote learning attendance across all year groups and we thank you for supporting the remote learning journey. We recognise that working from home while having children learning remotely, with you, is highly challenging and we appreciate and are thankful for your continued flexibility and support. As soon as we have confirmation of the reopening plans, we will contact you with details. We hope you all have a good half term holiday next week.

12th February 2021

Events Calendar

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| 12 th February 2021 | Last day of Term 3 for children. |
| 22 nd February 2021 | First day of Term 4 |



We are excited to share the news that Mrs Wiggan, Miss Driver and Mr Ellard have all welcomed gorgeous baby boys to their families.

Year 2 Being Artists

Staffing Updates:

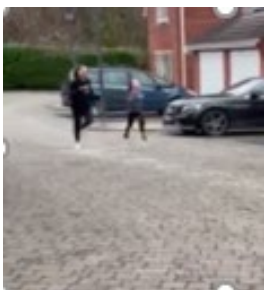
- Charlotte Black has been successfully appointed as Vice Principal for the duration of Hannah McDonnell's maternity leave.
- Katie Hutton will cover the SENCo aspect of Hannah's role during this time.
- Welcome to new members of the team, Simon Ellard – Academic Mentor and Liz Parker – Y4 teaching partner
- A thank you from Sue Kelham. "Thank you so much for the flowers and kind words. I am thrilled to be back in school over this week and then full time after the holiday."



We would like to celebrate some amazing learning both from our bubble learners and remote learners whilst Being an Artist. We have been learning about different expressionist painters and how we can use different tones, tools and techniques to create a piece of artwork. Here are some of our examples.

Year 3 cross-curricular learning

Here is a good news story from one of our Year 3 learners being a mathematician and an athlete at the same time. She drew a chalk line outside the front of her house and marked out each metre so she could see how far she could run in 10 seconds. After a few attempts her best time was 55 metres in 10 seconds.



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



Learning and Community updates

HOW TO RESPECT PEOPLE ONLINE

We should respect people online the same way we do in person.

We should be kind to them so they will be kind to us.

Do not share personal information such as address and etc..

If someone is not being nice like not being normal you should leave them until they are being nice again.

Only speak to people you know like friends and family.

Once you put something online it will remain there forever even if you delete it so be careful when you decide what you are going to put online.

Do not pretend to be someone or something because it isn't nice.

You should use your manners like thank you and please just like you would face to face.



WFA Well-being

The WFA Well-being page was created to provide families with useful resources to support children's development and well-being. It is packed with useful information from weekly craft activities, mindful moments, useful links, as well as new interesting articles and videos for parents, carers (and teachers!) every week.

The page will be updated over the coming weeks, so make sure to check out all the existing information here: www.wfawellbeing.wordpress.com

Year 5 making good choices online

This week we are being citizens and asking the question, 'How can we be responsible members of an online community?' We talked about how online communities can be both positive and negative and learners came up with charters for how to make good choices online.

This week, on 9th February, saw Safer Internet Day. If you haven't yet managed to watch Monday's gathering and your year group gathering please take a look back at the remote learning folders and you will find these available to watch.



Remote learning for the start of Term 4

We will continue the start of next term with our remote learning mirroring this term. Each class teacher will continue to rota to lead remote learning live lessons for a week with the support of teaching partners too. It has been lovely to continue to connect with learners across the school this way in addition to the learning focus.

Term dates for 2021- 2022 will be confirmed soon and we will share these as soon as we have them.

Term Dates 2020-21

| Term 1 | Term 2 | Term 3 | Term 4 | Term 5 | Term 6 |
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| Tuesday 1st September- Friday 23rd October 2020 | Monday 2nd November- Friday 18th December 2020 | Monday 4th January- Friday 12th February 2021 | Monday 22nd February- Thursday 1st April 2021 | Monday 19th April – Friday 28th May 2021 | Monday 7th June - Wednesday 21st July 2021 |
| INSET – Tuesday 1st September, Thursday 22nd and Friday 23rd October 2020 | INSET – Friday 18 th December 2020 | INSET- Monday 4th January 2021 | INSET- Wednesday 17th March 2021 Good Friday 2nd April 2021 | May Bank Holiday Monday 3rd May 2021 | INSET- Friday 2nd July 2021 |

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