



# Warton Nethersole's CE Primary School

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Newsletter Term 5 Week 1: Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2021

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Dear Parents,

It has been lovely to hear from you, your children and our staff about what a wonderful break you have all had- enjoying the sunshine and the opportunity to meet with family and friends for the first time in a long time as well as, of course, enjoying the Easter chocolate!

It is such a wonderful feeling to have all of our classes back in school at the start of the term! Unbelievably, this is the first time I have experienced this in my headship so far! School looks, and definitely sounds, like it is full and the staff and children have all had a fabulous week, starting with our values day on Tuesday.

On Monday, our wonderful support staff were in school preparing for interventions to start next week as well as sorting and clearing the school ready for some works to take place over the next few months – this includes refreshing our library, creating a first aid room and replenishing our outdoor activities and hopefully preparing for new KS2 toilets. At the same time, our teachers were all attending training on our new assessment system, which you can find out more about further in the newsletter.

Please also keep reading to find out more about our value of the term, how we are addressing gaps and supporting pupils in school and some dates for your diary.

Best wishes  
Miss Friend  
Head Teacher

### Living the Values



Our first day of each term is always 'Values Day' – a day that introduces the term's value, reinforces its importance to us and its links to scripture, our beliefs and our actions. This term's value is Respect.

In collective worship on Tuesday, we thought about how we can show respect to others and signs of respect that we might see regularly without recognising. We explored respect in films we may have watched and in sports we might play. We also read and considered the bible passage below and what this might look like in our school and our community.

Each of our classes then spent the day learning about a different theme linked to respect including; respecting each other, our environment, ourselves and the beliefs and opinions of others. The children all took part in art, drama and discussion around their theme as well as reading stories and watching videos in class. Can you spot some of our Respect work and classroom displays in our newsletter today?

*Therefore encourage one another and build each other up*

**1 Thessalonians 5:11**



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## Head Teacher Gold Award



This week's Gold Award goes to Harper-Lilly for having such a brilliant week- her teachers were bubbling over with positivity about how much she has achieved! Harper-Lilly has been really engaged, worked really hard and shown our school value of respect all week! Well done!

## School Photos!

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> May is school photo day! We have our photographer coming in to school to take class pictures for Reception to Year 6 and year 6 leavers photos. If Tuesday is usually your PE day, please do bring in your school jumper for the photograph!



## Bank Holiday

Please remember that Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May is a Bank Holiday and so school, nursery and wrap around will all be closed.

## Community Hero!



We are all so proud of Tommy who has been awarded a Community Hero Trophy for his fundraising efforts. This year Tommy heard the plight of Twycross Zoo who needed more money to feed their animals and decided to do something about it! He decided to fundraise by cycling 50 miles and raised more than £1500 for Twycross! Tommy we are so proud of you and your efforts- well done!

If you would like to support Tommy, he is running a bake sale in the Warton club car park on May 8<sup>th</sup> between 12 and 3pm.





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### Mrs Shigdar's Tips for Wellbeing!

Mrs. Shigdar, our family support worker, has been enjoying the benefits of calming activities to keep her relaxed and stress free, so thought she would share one with you to try at home each week. These activities will focus your mind and senses to the environment around you. They can help manage stress, anxiety, negative thinking and make you feel empowered and more positive. This calming activity is not only fun for your children, but also a way to get your inner child out for a visit.



**Get moving and dance the stress away!** - Did you know that dancing is a form of exercise and exercising helps to release the 'feel-good' hormone, endorphins. So, next time you are feeling down or a bit stressed, get your favorite song playing, turn up the volume and hit the dance floor, whether that's in your kitchen, living room or bedroom. Encourage your children to join in, make up silly routines, it's all about having fun and channeling those negative feelings and energy.



### Dates for your Diary

#### **May**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> May – Bank Holiday
- 11<sup>th</sup> May – School photo day
- 28<sup>th</sup> May- Break Up for Half Term

#### **June**

- 7<sup>th</sup> June- School Closed for INSET
- 16<sup>th</sup> June – Reception Welcome Mtg



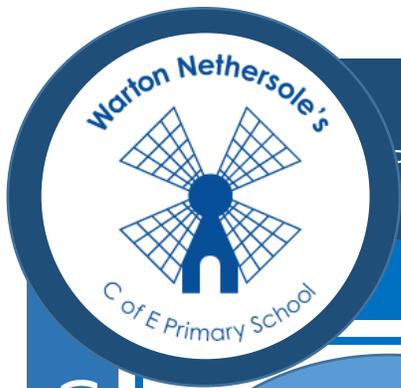
### Sycamore!

You should receive your data collection sheets next week- please return them with updated information as soon as possible! Please look out for them coming home as they contain your personal information and need to be kept safe. You will receive a separate Google forms for updated permissions.

### Wrap Around

Wrap Around is now full at certain times in the week. Please make sure that if you require a space that isn't booked in advance you contact the school office first so that all children and staff are kept safe.

Thank you



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## How is Warton supporting my child after lockdown?

We understand that many of our families have questions about how their child is doing in school both academically after so long learning at home and with their social skills, mental health and well being and so we would like to share with you some of the ways that we are supporting all of our children across the school.

Every class begins a brand-new intervention cycle from Monday. For some children this will be before or after school and for some it will be during the school day. This term we are running bespoke, small group interventions in: reading, maths, phonics, speech and language and precision teaching.

We are training staff in a therapy called 'Drawing and Talking' to support pupil well-being in school.

We have invested in our outdoor areas and in activities that support social interaction, perseverance and team building. This includes our garden area, outdoor provision for EYFS and training staff in forest school skills.

We have invested in a new tracking system called Target Tracker. This will help teachers monitor gaps in learning so that more lessons, support and targeted intervention can help address them- both for individual children and whole classes.

Mrs Shigdar is seeing more children than ever and spending more time in school to keep working with those children who need a little extra help and support – this may be with their social skills, emotional regulation or mental health and wellbeing.

Daily collective worship and a focus on our school values helps to keep personal development at the forefront of our learning.

Physical health is also a focus and so next week Miss Day and Mrs Day will be launching our new Daily K

All children from Y2-Y6 have been assessed in the core areas of the curriculum to help identify the next steps for their teaching and learning.

Our teachers are designing a brand-new curriculum that will help ensure that no children miss any elements of the curriculum as they move through the school. This will involve recapping and revisiting of areas previously taught.