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Care, Courtesy and Consideration

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Merit of the Week



Year 3: Hughie O'D & Sophia T

Year 4: Kai K & Fi A

Year 5: Alfie S & Hattie W

Year 6: Laura B & Taylor D

Attendance

Year 3: 97.0%

Year 4: 96.9%

Year 5: 95.2%

Year 6: 99.1%

Whole School: 97.0%



Kindness Awards

Year 3: Louie B

Year 4: Sammy G

Year 5: Demi C

Year 6: Sofia D



Golden Table Awards



Year 3: Safah H

Year 4: Rosie R

Year 5: Finlay C-D

Year 6: Joseph S-W

What's on at school next week?

(Week beginning 4th March)

Monday: Homework Club (12:00pm)
Yr5&6 Multi-skills Club (12:30pm)
Recorder Club (12:30pm)
Dodgeball (3:35pm)

Tuesday: Yr3 Philharmonic Trip (AM)
Homework Club (12:00pm)
Chris Salmon Poetry Club (12:30pm)
Drama with Desna (12:30pm)

Wednesday: Homework Club (12:00pm)
Yr3-6 Gardening Club (12:30pm)
Yr5&6 Tag Rugby (12:30pm)

Thursday: **WORLD BOOK DAY - Pyjamas**
Homework Club (12:00pm)
Golden Table (12:00pm)
Yr5&6 Judo Club (12:20pm)
Chris Salmon Poetry Club (12:30pm)
Yr4-6 Time Out Thursday (12:30pm)
Chess Club (3:35pm)

Friday: Yr4-6 Film Friday (12:30pm)
School Council (12:30pm)

Comic Relief – 15.3.24

Look out for the letter attached about Oak Trees MAT Comic Relief Fundraising event. Crazy Hair Day here we come!





Sporting Achievements

Before half term, our indoor athletics team attended the Wirral School competition at Clare Mount School. The team represented our school brilliantly and I am delighted to share that out of a total of 10 schools we ended up placing in 3rd place, which means we advance to the next stage of the competition. Details of this will follow. We are incredibly proud of the way that all the children showed respect and composure during the competition and can't wait for the next round!

Bikeability

This week many of our Year 5 pupils took part in Bikeability. This course teaches the children how to ride their bike safely around our local community, and is a great preparation for secondary school as some may travel to their new school on their bike. Well done to all children who took part. You were focused and respectful at all times to the visiting instructors who couldn't be prouder of you!



Golden Time Fun

Golden Time is always fun, and today was no exception. Even though the weather was appalling, this did not dampen the children's spirits, and some of our year 5 boys loved making the longest K'NEX road possible. Zoom into the photograph for detail.

Well done team. What will your next challenge be?

Staffing Update

Before the half term holidays, I informed you that we were looking for a new Business Manager to join our team at GJS. I am pleased to say that we have made an appointment, and Ms Fletcher will come coming to join us later this year. In the meantime, I am very pleased to say that school will be supported by Mr Murphy, who is an experienced Business Manager, having performed the role in excess of the last 10 years. We are thrilled to have him join our team, albeit on a part-time basis, before Ms Fletcher joins permanently in May.



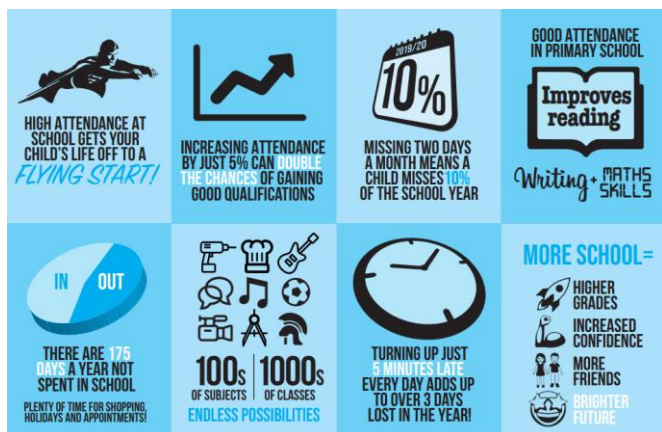
Jewellery



Children should not wear jewellery because this can be a danger to themselves and others in school. Please respect this ruling, which is made for the children's safety. This includes non-uniform days.

If ears are to be pierced, we ask that this is done at the start of the summer holiday so that studs can be removed during school time, we ask that parents remove ear studs on PE days completely, before the children come to school. If studs are not able to be removed, then plasters or tape must be provided to cover the earring safely. No other type of earrings other than small studs should be worn, if necessary.

Rings, earrings and necklaces are potential hazards and we seek parents' co-operation in this matter. The school shall not be responsible for accidents caused by the contact of ear studs or jewellery with equipment or other children.



Attendance

We are seeing an increase in the number of holidays requested in term time, many of which are only arriving at school a day or two before the children are due to be absent from school rather than the minimum of 10 days prior. Please can we remind parents that children should not be taken out of school to attend holidays in term time. Taking leave in term time does disrupt your child's learning and can impact on their attainment, progress and social development.

As previously shared, parents will receive a fine if they take their child on a term time holiday. Fines will be issued if your

child is absent for 10 school sessions (5 days) in any one term or across two half terms.

The Authority issues Education Penalty Notices by post. Payment of an Education Penalty Notice is £60 if paid within 21 days, rising to £120 if paid after this time, but within 28 days. Education Penalty Notices are issued separately to each parent in respect of each child. A possible exception to this would be where parents are separated, and one parent has taken a child on unauthorised leave of absence without the knowledge / consent of the other parent.

Further information can be found in our attendance policy on our school website.

Chris Salmon Poetry Competition

We are pleased to announce that the Christopher Salmon Poetry Competition 2024 is now open for entries. This year's theme is 'Dream' and entries are open to those aged 19 and under. Further information can be found here:

<https://wirralpoetryfestival.org.uk/christophersalmon-poetry-competition-2024/>



Parents can submit an entry for their child via the online entry form which can be found here: <https://form.jotform.com/233462441981357> The closing date for entries is: **Thursday 28th March 2024.**

As this is a competition held close to our heart with fond memories of Chris as a pupil here, Mrs Spivey will also be holding a poetry club for any children wishing to enter. This club will be held on a Tuesday and Thursday lunchtime. We hope many of our aspiring writers will join us, and hopefully be nominated for a Chris Salmon Award later in the year.



Online Safety

As infants, we all rely completely on adults to help us resolve situations that are causing us to become upset or stressed. This is known as co-regulation. The next phase, once autonomy has begun to develop, is called self-regulation: this is when children start to become capable of exercising more control over their impulses and behaviour, and managing their own emotions.

This vital developmental milestone, however, isn't reached spontaneously. Learning to self-regulate requires sensitive guidance from trusted adults – simply talking with children about their thoughts and feelings, for instance, can ease the route to self-regulation. This #WakeUpWednesday guide has some expert tips for supporting children to reach this goal.



Sports Day

Sports day will take place on Tuesday 21st May 2024. Families are welcome to attend. The event will start at 12:30pm and will finish around 3:30pm. If we have to cancel the event due to inclement weather, we will decide by 10:00am and communicate this to parents and carers as soon as we can. A letter with further detail will be sent out closer to the time.

Continued Concerns

I am writing to you once again regarding the way in which we park around the school. I ask for everyone who either picks-up or drops-off children by car to please prioritise the safety of our pupils by being vigilant about parking around the school. Kindly adhere to designated drop-off and pick-up areas, avoid double parking, and ensure driveways remain unobstructed. Please refrain from reversing into the school and residents' driveways, as well as the entrance to the farmer's field next to the Lower School gate.



Additionally, please avoid parking on the double yellow lines in front of the Lower School gate during drop-off, as it poses safety risks. I appreciate some might be running a little late in a morning, but the safety of our children and the safety of the others on the road must be our first priority. Recently, there is also a rise in the number of parents and carers who are using the car park to pick-up or drop-off without any permission being sought or given by school. As others have, if you require access to the school car park at these critical times of the day, please email into the school office, or call and arrange a time to a conversation with myself, explaining your reasons for this request. Once again, the safety of our children is our top priority and there is a crossing between our two playgrounds in the car park. The children use this crossing very well, however, they do not always anticipate a cars arrival during this busy time of day.

Your cooperation is key to fostering a secure environment for our pupils and community. Thank you for your understanding on this matter.

Menu

Please see the [school website](#) for allergy menus. Please note there is a change on Thursdays in celebration of World Book Day.

WEEK TWO

AVAILABLE DAILY – SELF SERVICE BAR
Baked bar, fruit bar, homemade breads & water.

Monday

MAIN MEAL Italian Beef Lasagne GLUTEN MAY CONTAIN EGGS	JACKET POTATO FILLINGS Baked Beans Cheese MILK Tuna Mayo EGG/FISH
VEGGIE MEAL Veggie Lasagne GLUTEN/MILK MAY CONTAIN EGGS	SANDWICH OR PANINI Ham GLUTEN/SOYA Cheese GLUTEN/MILK/SOYA Tuna Mayo EGG/FISH/GLUTEN/SOYA
SIDES Garlic Bread (GLUTEN) Pasta (GLUTEN) Pasta & Sausages Homemade Bread (GLUTEN)	DESSERT Dairy apple crumble & custard MILK/GLUTEN

Tuesday

MAIN MEAL Homemade Sausage Rolls GLUTEN/EGG/MILK/SOYAPROTEIN	JACKET POTATO FILLINGS Baked Beans Cheese MILK Tuna Mayo EGG/FISH
VEGGIE MEAL Cheese & Tomato Pizza GLUTEN/MILK	SANDWICH OR PANINI Ham GLUTEN/SOYA Cheese GLUTEN/MILK/SOYA Tuna Mayo EGG/FISH/GLUTEN/SOYA
SIDES Chips Baked Beans or Peas Homemade Bread (GLUTEN)	DESSERT Fruit jelly

Wednesday

MAIN MEAL Roast Chicken Dinner with Yorkshire Pudding GLUTEN/EGG/MILK	JACKET POTATO FILLINGS Baked Beans Cheese MILK Tuna Mayo EGG/FISH
VEGGIE MEAL Veggie Roast Dinner GLUTEN/EGG/MILK	SANDWICH OR PANINI Ham GLUTEN/SOYA Cheese GLUTEN/MILK/SOYA Tuna Mayo EGG/FISH/GLUTEN/SOYA
SIDES Roast Potatoes & Gravy Coriander & Cauliflower Homemade Bread (GLUTEN)	DESSERT Chocolate Sponge with cream GLUTEN/MILK/MAY

Thursday

MAIN MEAL Chicken Mayo	JACKET POTATO FILLINGS Baked Beans Cheese MILK Tuna Mayo EGG/FISH
VEGGIE MEAL Vegetable Curry	SANDWICH OR PANINI Ham GLUTEN/SOYA Cheese GLUTEN/MILK/SOYA Tuna Mayo EGG/FISH/GLUTEN/SOYA
SIDES Plain Rice Naan Bread Green Beans Homemade Bread (GLUTEN)	DESSERT Lemon drizzle cake GLUTEN/EGG

Friday

MAIN MEAL Fish Fingers FISH/GLUTEN	JACKET POTATO FILLINGS Baked Beans Cheese MILK Tuna Mayo EGG/FISH
VEGGIE MEAL Cheese Sausage Roll GLUTEN/MILK/EGG	SANDWICH OR PANINI Ham GLUTEN/SOYA Cheese GLUTEN/MILK/SOYA Tuna Mayo EGG/FISH/GLUTEN/SOYA
SIDES Chips Baked Beans or Peas Homemade Bread (GLUTEN)	DESSERT Cinger Bread GLUTEN

Allergen Coding: ALLERGENS ARE IDENTIFIED UNDERNEATH EACH DISH – NOTE ALL PANINI CHOICES INCLUDE MILK

Remember to eat plenty of Salad and Fruit with your lunch.



Community Events




ANSELMANS GIRLS RUGBY

GIRLS ONLY RUGBY TRAINING
 EVERY SUNDAY 11AM – 12noon
 Age 10yrs and over (all experience welcome)
 Contact Nicole for any information
 On 07704909446



**West Kirby Easter
Holiday Camp**

2/3/4 April
8/9/10 April
Age 5 to 12 years

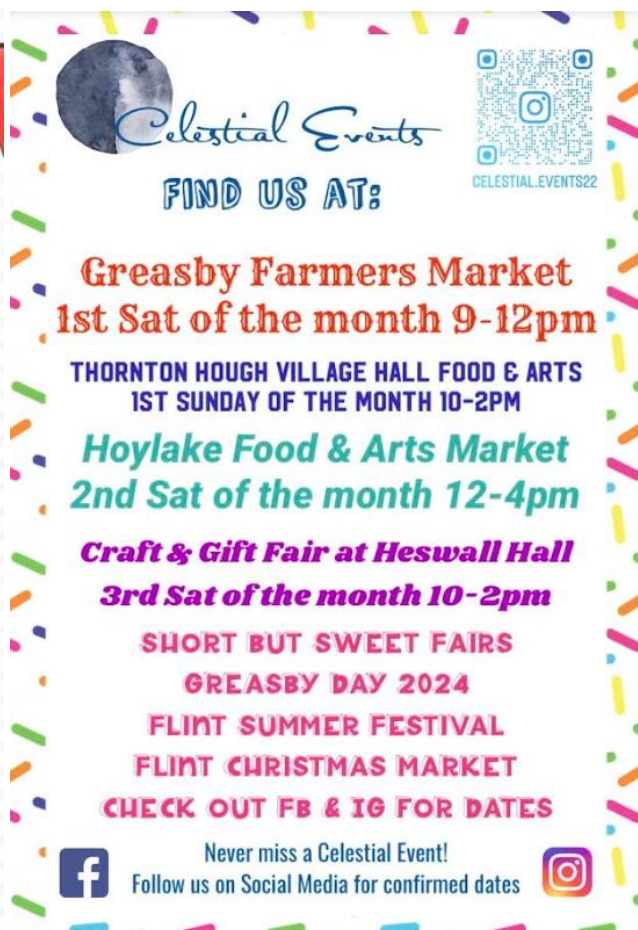
West Kirby
Grammar School



LINK TO BOOK

[Easter Half term camp - West Kirby \(5 - 12yrs\) at West Kirby Grammar School, Wirral | First Gymnastics | Powered by ClassForKids](#)





Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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Mrs Emma Ball, Headteacher

INSET Days 2023-2024

Monday 4th September

Tuesday 5th September

Friday 20th October

Monday 8th January

Friday 24th May