## Friday Newsletter – 20th September 2024



# **Callands Community Primary School**

#### **Dear Parents and Carers**,

As we settle into the rhythm of a new academic year, I'm delighted to share the vibrant energy and exciting developments unfolding at Callands Community Primary School. Our pupils have been embracing their new routines with enthusiasm, and it's been heartening to witness their eagerness to participate in our democratic processes. One of the highlights of our first few weeks has been the selection of our various leadership roles. Miss Whittaker and Mrs Hendry have done a fantastic job orchestrating our school council elections, ensuring they were conducted with the utmost integrity and democratic spirit. It was truly inspiring to see our pupils prepare and deliver persuasive speeches, showcasing their leadership potential. The worthy winners were announced in today's Good News Assembly, and I can assure you, they're brimming with excitement for the year ahead! We'll be revealing these pupils and the other successful candidates for our other leadership opportunities across various areas very soon, so watch this space!

I'm pleased to report that our new collection arrangements at the end of the day have been well-received. The paths outside school are noticeably calmer and less congested, a change that many parents and carers have positively commented on. To maintain this smooth flow and ensure everyone's safety, I kindly ask that children only ride their bikes or scooters once they're off the school site.

You may have noticed work beginning on our outdoor equipment area. We're installing artificial grass around the equipment, which will allow our pupils to enjoy these facilities in most weather conditions. This improvement is part of our ongoing commitment to enhancing our pupils' outdoor experiences and we hope that this work will be complete early next week.

I recently met with our wonderful FOCS (Friends of Callands). They're busy planning events for the year ahead and will soon be sharing information about how you can support their vital fundraising efforts. Remember, every contribution to FOCS directly benefits all our children, so please keep an eye out for their upcoming announcements.

Regarding school meals, I know many of you are eager for updates. We're working diligently on this and hope to provide you with a timeframe for expanding our current lunch offerings next week. Thank you for your continued patience and understanding in this matter.

Now, a few important reminders. It's crucial that parents and carers keep us updated on any changes to your child's medical conditions or health status. You can do this via the school office or through Arbor. For pupils with asthma, please ensure you've completed the necessary form and provided an inhaler (and spacer if required) to be kept at school. The inhaler must be in its original box with the prescription label visible. Your GP can provide an extra prescription for this purpose. Please also check that all medications are in date.

For safeguarding purposes, every child must have a secret password. Staff will request this if they don't recognise the person collecting your child. This is non-negotiable, so please ensure you've provided us with

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this information. Additionally, it's your responsibility to inform the school of any changes to collection arrangements.

Attached to this newsletter is a list of the charities which the children have decided to support this year. Due to the rise in the cost of living, we will not be asking for donations from the whole school for each charity event, unless you make the choice to support that charity. Information for each event will be sent home to parents/carers, so you know how to support each cause. Each class will be delivering a small assembly to the rest of the school, the week before their scheduled charity day to raise whole school awareness.

Next week, Mrs Davies has arranged for a Book Fair to be in situ after school. This is always a popular event and it is lovely to see and hear families from across the school browsing the books.

As we wrap up what looks to be the last of the summer sunshine, I encourage you all to make the most of this weekend. Have a great weekend everyone,

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Mrs S Bentley Headteacher

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September** - KS1 Reading and Phonics Workshop for KS1 parents/carers 3.30 – 4.30pm or 5.00 - 5.30pm Select which session is best for you to atten3.30pm - 6.30pm

**Monday 7th October** – Parents Evening information sent out to parents

**Monday 14**th **October** – No Extra-curricular clubs this week

-Year 1 parents invited in for showcase of work – 2.50pm

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October – Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October – Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October -** EYFS Come and Share Experience (parents will be invited to sign up with EYFS staff)

Key dates for the autumn term have been sent out to parents and these will be available on the school website.

Please click on the link below to access upcoming events on the school calendar, all class trips, after school clubs etc.

<u>Callands Community Primary School - Calendar (secure-dbprimary.com)</u>

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### **ATTENDANCE**

#### Attendance – up to Friday 20th September

Year Group	Attendance (Year To Date)
YR	95.9%
Y1	93.4%
Y2	96.7%
Y3	96.5%
Y4	95.6%
Y5	95.7%
Y6	94.6%
All	95.3%
*National	

Attendance
Red = Below national

Orange = Below School Target of 96%

Green = Above School target

\*National figures are currently unavailable

If your child is ill, please phone school to let us know.

Please phone 01925 444795 and choose option 1.

This is a dedicated mailbox for parents to leave messages about their child's absence.

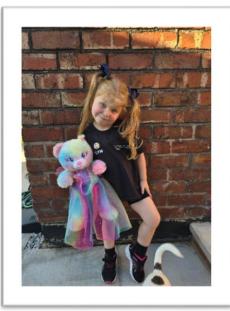


## Please make sure you are making every effort to get to school on time.

It is important that the children are at school on time every day to prevent disruption and upset to their day and for the rest of their class. We appreciate your support in ensuring your child does arrive at school on time.

### **OUT OF SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS**

For families that our new to our school, you can email in your child's out of school achievements to the school office with a brief description and photograph of their achievements. This will then appear in the school newsletter.



Caitlyn has two achievements from the last two weeks. She is very proud of herself and we are PROUD of her too.
Last week she got her first ever swimming badge from her swimming lessons and then this week she got to take home the Dance bear for getting dancer of the week! What a little superstar! We think she's been a little star!



#### **OUT OF SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

Warrington Girls Community team are currently recruiting for years 5 and 6 for their under 11's team. They have the option for dual registration should girls playing on existing mixed teams want to start the transition now. They play on a different day to the NWC leagues, so it's a great way to start the transition to a girls only team

As a club, this is what they offer:

- Qualified coaches for each team
- Team Manager to support each team
- Qualified First Aiders
- Head coach from Warrington Wolves Academy Team
- Playing Kits provided for all teams (Brand New this season)
- Subsidised Training Kit (brand new this season)
- Top-notch training facilities Victoria Park in the Winter and access to a padded tackle room Crosfields (our home) in the summer
- Social media coverage Facebook, Instagram, X & LinkedIn

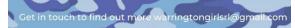


WE ARE RECRUITING FOR THE 24/25 SEASON COME DOWN TO A TRAINING SESSION

ARE YOU IN YEARS 5 & 6 - COME JOIN OUR TEAM!

WE TRAIN AT CROSFIELDS RUGBY CLUB MON & WEDNESDAY -6PM TILL 7PM





- Fun, Friendly, and encouraging environment rugby for the many
- Fundraising events, activities, and days out

Any questions or for more information parents can email us at  $\underline{\text{warringtongirlsrl@gmail.com}}$ 

They are also on social media here:

Facebook - https://www.facebook.com/100088433670683/

Instagram - https://www.instagram.com/warrington\_girls\_womens\_rugby/#

LinkedIn - https://www.linkedin.com/company/warrington-girls-crlfc/

X - https://twitter.com/warrigirlsrl

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