



Newsletter

OCTOBER

"The end of the
summer is not the end
of the world.

Here's to October."

WELCOME!

Dear Families,

Hello and welcome back to the new academic year. It has been lovely to meet all our new children and families as well as to see lots of familiar faces. I think all the children have grown over the summer!

Thank you for sending everyone in looking so smart, please ensure all clothing and belongings are named so they can be returned – we already have quite a collection of un-named items.

As a parent, it is very frustrating to send you child in everyday in clean, smart uniform only to find that your child doesn't quite look like that on their return – a name in a uniform can make all the difference. Staff do have indelible

pens to write initials on tags, just lest us know if that would help.

At the start of term, there is always lots of information to be sent out, and we will continue to email things for your attention. We also have a new App, the Schudio one is no longer being used as we have a new website coming on line soon. You will need to make sure that you register to get alerts etc. details from the office have been sent out.

Please do let us know if any of your contact details have changed and please check your emails regularly as this is the main way we will be sending out information from school to families.

Mr Mann

Parking

A gentle reminder that carers/parents should not be parking in front of the gates where there are yellow markings on the corner. Try also not to block our neighbour's driveways.

This is to keep all of our children safe as they enter and leave the school premises. Thank you for your co-operation with this.



Attendance

The school attendance for year is currently 95.96%. Thank you to all carers/parents for supporting your child's education by getting them into school. We do understand that life can get in the way sometimes, and getting a child up, ready and in on time, whilst there are other distractions e.g. younger children, can be tricky, we do appreciate your efforts.

We are aware that picking up time can be a challenge, this term, if you have children at other schools, we have passed on your frustrations. be rest assured that we will make sure. Be rest assured that your children remain with us until you can get to us.



As we are not a primary school, we always feel that your children aren't with us very long, which is a shame, but life moves on, and so here's the details for our Year 6 carers/ parents.

The deadline for 2024 Secondary School places is **31 October 2023**.

All applications received by the deadline of 31 October will receive a school offer on 1 March next year, which is National Offer Day. Any applications submitted after the deadline will only be considered after this, meaning the child is much less likely to be offered a place at a preferred school.

Applications should be made online at: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/applying-secondary-school-place> where you can also find lots of useful information on school transport, priority school areas and admissions criteria.

We can offer no guidance on your choice of school, but to urge you go all Open Days to gain as much information you can about this next step in your child's education. We will send out information from secondary schools if they have contacted us first.

Experience in Warwickshire Schools

Warwickshire's young people group IMPACT are conducting a survey about experiences in school based on the County wide agreed inclusion charter which schools have adopted. They would be grateful if you could share the link to the survey with your children and support them completing it.

The Vanity URL is:

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schoolexp

QR code is:



Free Online Monitoring at Home

Keeping your child safe is one of our fundamental values as a school, no more so in this digital age we live in.

As part of the school's Digital Safeguarding subscription, we have access to the Smoothwall Online Safety Hub.

Smoothwall's Online Safety Hub is designed to give school staff the knowledge and confidence to speak to children about safe digital behaviours.

It's a central place where students and staff can find out about key online safety topics or request articles from safeguarding experts, of their own choosing.

As part of this we can also extend this to you by giving you access to up to date digital safety information, app reviews from digital safety experts, and in depth information on popular social media and gaming platforms.

This is a great opportunity for us all to support more understanding of what children are doing online. There are no passwords required, details are here, just click on the image



Qustodio – free accounts for parents

In addition to this, carers/ parents can also sign up for a free Qustodio account at <https://www.qustodio.com/en/>, which gives you the ability to monitor two household devices for the year (including a 30 day premium trial). There is an option to upgrade to a premium version, but you can access the basic version for free.

The link is here [link](#)

Support

The Family Information Service newsletter has lots of help to all families including support with utility bills, events, even the latest SEND newsletter and much more!

The Family Information Service (FIS) supports families across Warwickshire with information and signposting. You can get in touch with the team by emailing fis@warwickshire.gov.uk, calling [0800 408 1558](tel:08004081558) or finding support on www.warwickshire.gov.uk/childrenandfamilies.

Head over to our [Facebook](#) to see where you can find the FIS team across the county this week.

It's well worth a visit



Thank you to everyone who supported our MacMillan Coffee Morning by either generously donating cakes or by coming in today. We raised over £200!!!

Thanks also to staff who helped getting things ready, especially Mrs Randle who once again led this annual event so well.

Here's a few photos taken by one of our Y6 students Evelyn – she has managed to capture the lovely supportive mood of this event.



Busy Start of the Term

It has been a very busy start of the term, on the first day back Year Five and Six had an Ancient Greek Day experience followed by the Years Three and Four moving back a few thousand years to the time of the Stone age, and this all happened in the first week! The pace of our curriculum will continue through the year, and we will try to keep you informed as the key to a successful school is communication between home and school.

We do have to note that Year 3 have made a really positive transition to Exhall Juniors. The Y3 team has been particularly impressed by the level of engagement during lessons and how well the children have coped with new routines and expectations around school. We do forget sometimes that the change between school can be a challenge, and we thank all our Y3 carers/ parents for the support your giving, and for our Y4,5 and 6 carers/ parents, who have helped. As our TEAM motto says - Together Everyone Achieves More.

Our values are based on Being Safe, Ready and Respectful and we endeavour to ensure that all learners show these. We as a school will continue to support you in reminding your child to say please, thank you, excuse me and to call a person by their name i.e. Mr, Mrs etc... also to be patient when adults are

talking, to hold the door and to offer to help for anyone. We want your children to be valuable members of their community,.



Governors

Our governors are volunteers, so not all of them are seen at school drop-offs and pick-ups. If you ever want to give them any feedback about the school, feel free to leave them a message at the school office.

They are looking for more business leaders/ members of the community/ parents to join the governing body, again, please contact the office if you would like more information.



Please let us know if have queries, issues or questions.

If we've got something wrong, please let us know, it's important for us to help and support. Just call into the office of call tel 024 76313375 or admin2571@welearn365.com

Diary of events



Superstars

Exhall Juniors

Morning Club
7:30AM - 8:45AM

Monday: Gymnastics
Tuesday: Lego
Wednesday: Cricket
Thursday: Tennis
Friday: Discovery Club

£4.75 Per Day
breakfast included

Starting from Monday 4th Sept

Please visit:

www.superstarsportmidlands.co.uk

to book your place

we would appreciate your bookings as soon as possible so you don't miss out on a place.

After School Club & Wraparound

3:15PM - 5:30PM

Monday: Dodgeball
Tuesday: Benchball
Wednesday: Football
Thursday: Discovery Club
Friday: Tennis

3:15PM - 4:15PM

£4.75 Per Day - no food

3:15PM - 5:30PM

£9 Per Day - with food

If you would like to pay via tax free childcare then please let us know via text on 07963 324 799

Activities will run from 7:30AM to 8:45AM then SuperStars staff will look after your children from 3:15PM to 5:30PM

Parent Guides to Online Safety



A Parent's Guide to Social Media



A Parent's Guide to Sharing Pictures



A Parent's Guide to Gaming



A Parent's Guide to Online Grooming



A Parent's Guide to Live Streaming



A Parent's Guide to Online Influencers



A Parent's Guide to Fake News



A Parent's Guide to Privacy Settings



Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Parents please contact your school to enquire attending their next e-safety workshop or have any concerns.

Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.

Skips Educational Email: info@skips.com Tel: +44 121 227 1941

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We provide free information to support families with children and young people aged 0 - 25 across Warwickshire on issues including:

- Childcare
- Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)
- Help with family finances
- One to one support
- Parenting support
- Support with bullying

All our information is available at www.warwickshire.gov.uk/fis



- measles outbreaks happen when not enough children have been vaccinated
- measles can be a very serious disease, leading to ear and chest infections, fits, diarrhoea, and damage to the brain. Measles can kill
- your child is at risk of measles if he or she hasn't had the MMR vaccination
- 2 doses of MMR vaccine are needed to get the best protection
- if your child is due to have had 2 doses of MMR but has not yet received them, no matter what age they are, you should contact your GP to get them vaccinated as soon as possible*
- if you can't remember if your child has had any, 1 or 2 doses of MMR vaccine, check his or her personal child health record (the Red Book). If this doesn't help, speak to your GP
- if you don't know how many doses your child has had, it's better to have 2 doses of MMR vaccine now rather than risk leaving them unprotected



**Where all
children
and young
people are:**



HEARD



SAFE



HEALTHY



SKILLED



HAPPY

**Everyone can play a part in making the
county a great place to grow up and learn.**

**Join us in creating a future we can all believe
in, be part of Child Friendly Warwickshire.**

childfriendlywarwickshire.co.uk

[@ChildFriendlyWarwickshire](https://www.facebook.com/ChildFriendlyWarwickshire)

Exhall Cedars Infant School



Exhall Cedars is a **small, nurturing Infant School**, in the **heart** of the Exhall community, serving Exhall, Bedworth, Hawkesbury Village, Brindley Edge and the Warwickshire/Coventry border.

Cedars provides an **excellent educational experience** for children aged 2-7 years.

Ofsted March 2020:

*"Nurturing relationships exist between adults and children in the setting. Children get off to a good start." "Leaders have created a **warm and welcoming** environment for pupils and staff. Pupils like school and **they feel safe.**"*



Pre-school & Nursery

We provide sessional term time provision for 2-4yrs. We support 2Help and 3yr old NEF, including 30 hr provision for working parents.

Nursery 3-4yrs: am/pm or all day sessions

Pre-School 2-3yrs: Flexible to your needs.

Wraparound for 2-4yr olds is available, through school, at an additional cost

We accept Tax Free Childcare and Childcare Vouchers