



In 2016 123,436 children entered the competition

The 2017 competition is now open for entries! For further information visit the Radio 2 website to be in a with a chance to join Chris at the 500 Words Final from the Tower of London. Closing date is 23rdFebruary.



<http://www.worldbookday.com/>

Class Assemblies



Throughout February and March each class will be presenting an assembly with a Growth Mindset theme. Parents are invited to watch their child's performance which will take place on the following dates:

| Class | Date and time | Venue |
|-----------|--|------------------------|
| Year 4 | Thursday 2 nd February, 11am | School hall |
| Year 3 | Thursday 9 th February, 11am | School hall |
| Year 6 | Thursday 2 nd March, 11am | School hall |
| Year 1 | Thursday 9 th March, 11am | School hall |
| Reception | Thursday 16 th March, 9.30am | Reception classroom |
| Year 5 | Thursday 16 th March, 11am | School hall |
| Year 2 | Thursday 23 rd March, 11am | School hall |

We look forward to seeing you there.

Valentine's Disco



We will be holding our Valentine's Disco on Wednesday 15th February.
Nursery, Reception and KS1 4.30pm – 5.30pm.
KS2 6.30pm – 8pm.
Look out for our letter.

Can you help?

Daisy Chain Stitchers are planning to knit some dolls' clothes to dress baby dolls to be given as 'comfort dolls' to dementia patients.

Can you help with their appeal? Can you donate any unwanted baby dolls to this cause?
Please send them into school and we will pass them on. Thank you.

Red Nose Day

Friday 24th March we will be joining in with Red Nose Day, come to school in Red, donations welcome.



We will be selling the Red Noses at our office for £1, there are 9 different noses, why don't you collect them all!

SEAL – Going for Goals

Our Seal theme this half term is Going for Goals.

Going for Goals explores how children can motivate themselves in their learning and across school. Children can set their own goals, think about how they learn best and consider how they might make wise choices.



Have a go at our Family Activity – a prize for everyone handed in to Mrs Davies!

Attendance

As you are aware, excellent attendance and punctuality are vital to both the academic and social achievement of all our pupils.

I am confident that we can rely on your support to ensure your child arrives to school on time and ready to learn. If you would like any support, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Worry Box on School Website

We have a new addition on our website – our online Worry Box.

At Worsley Mesnes we pride ourselves on our wellbeing, so our online worry box has been set up as an approach to addressing any excessive worries or anxieties we may have, our aim is to take away the worry and place it in the box. School staff will pick these up and act on them appropriately.

Our children are already used to our worry box in school, as we have a box where they can write any worries and post them, this new addition is an extra to a system we already have running in school. This will be introduced to all children in our Monday morning assembly and through class safeguarding lessons.

Like adults, children tend to do their worrying at night, they are busy and active during the day, but at night minds can wander and stress or worries can start to creep in. By having our facility of the worry box online, children can use this at anytime and have a chance to verbalise and put away their worries and get a restful sleep.

LOCAL DROP-IN SESSIONS FOR CHILDREN AGED 0 – 5 YEARS

Let's Get Messy – Learning Through Play

Every Tuesday 1.30-2.30

St Judes Primary School, Worsley Mesnes Drive, WN3 5AN

Start Well 01942 776007

No need to book – Just turn up.

Infant Massage

Every Wednesday 1.30-2.30

St Judes Primary School, Worsley Mesnes Drive, WN3 5AN

Start Well 01942 776007

No need to book – Just turn up.

PARENT LEARNING

English as a Second Language Class

Starting January 2017

St James Primary School, Worsley Mesnes Drive, WN3 5AN

Start Well 01942 776007.

Join us



Come, join us for a chat and a coffee, and meet our Start Well workers every Monday 9.10am in our OOSHL Room.

Find out what's on offer for you and your family in our local area.



E-Safety

Please be aware of the internet sites that your children maybe are accessing on their computer and, for some, on their phone.

Here are some ground rules that work for many parents:

Use privacy settings. Privacy settings aren't foolproof, but they can be helpful. Take the time to learn how privacy settings work on your children's favorite sites and apps, and teach your children how to control the information they make public or private. Encourage them to check privacy settings regularly, since sites' policies often change.

Tell your children to think before they post. Remind them that everything can be seen by a vast, invisible audience (otherwise known as friends-of-friends-of-friends), and, once something's online, it's hard to take back.

Be a friend and follower. Each family will have different rules, but, especially for younger children, it's a good idea for parents to have access to their children's pages, at least at first, to be sure that what's being posted is appropriate. Parents can help keep their children from doing something they'll regret later.

Keep private information private. Don't share your home address or other sensitive information online.

Be respectful of others. Children may use social media to act out because they feel anonymous and that their actions are consequence-free. Make sure they understand that the Internet is a giant community that works best when everyone respects each other. The minimum age to open an account on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Pinterest, Tumblr, Kik, and Snapchat is 13. YouTube requires account holders to be 18, but a 13-year-old can sign up with a parent's permission.

School Values Awards

Reception ~ Ella S – Determination
 Year 1 ~ Billy B – Determination
 Sophie W – Determination
 Year 2 ~ Jayden T – Determination
 Year 3 ~ Jaden W – Excellence
 Year 4 ~ Macey W – Excellence
 Year 5 ~ McKenzie G – Determination
 Year 6 ~ Callum S – Determination

Attendance for week commencing 16.01.17

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| Reception | 96.7% |
| Year 1 | 97.3% |
| Year 2 | 97.9% |
| Year 3 | 96% |
| Year 4 | 97% |
| Year 5 | 95% |
| Year 6 | 98.7% |

Dates for your diaryUpdates are in **bold**

| Date | Event | Notes |
|---|---|-------|
| Every Wednesday | Unify Bank in our Hippo Zone 8:35am – 9:00am | |
| Thursday 2 nd February | Year 4 Growth Mindset Assembly – 11am | |
| Tuesday 7 th February | Trip to Chester – Y3 & Y4 | |
| Thursday 9 th February | Year 3 Growth Mindset Assembly – 11am | |
| Wednesday 15th February | Valentine's Disco | |
| Half Term | Monday 20 th February – Friday 24 th February | |
| Thursday 2nd March | Year 6 Growth Mindset Assembly – 11am World Book Day | |
| Thursday 9 th March | Year 1 Growth Mindset Assembly – 11am | |
| Thursday 16 th March | Reception Growth Mindset Assembly – 9:30am | |
| Thursday 16 th March | Year 5 Growth Mindset Assembly – 11am | |
| Thursday 23 rd March | Year 2 Growth Mindset Assembly – 11am | |
| Friday 24th March | Red Nose Day | |

If you are aware of anybody who is having difficulty accessing the information on our newsletter because of literacy or language difficulties, font size or colour of paper, please ask them to contact us and we will do what we can to help.



Learn something new!

It is your challenge to teach each other something. It could be anything you like, but if you can't think of anything, then here are some ideas:

- ✚ A poem or song
- ✚ How to make something
- ✚ How to knit or crochet
- ✚ How to cook something special
- ✚ How to count to 10 in French or another language
- ✚ How to play a playground game
- ✚ How to play a game on the computer

You could write or draw about what you are going to teach each other :