



Dates for Your

**DIARY**



**Friday 28th March 2025**  
**Inset Day**

**Thursday 3rd April**  
**Reading Café**

**Tuesday 8th April**  
**Parents Evening**

**Tuesday 8th April**  
**Y4 Science Experiment Parent Afternoon 2pm**

**Tuesday 8th April**  
**Y3 Circus Workshop Parent Afternoon 2.30pm**

**Thursday 10th April**  
**Reading Café**

**Thursday 10th April**  
**Bring entries for Easter egg competition into school**

**Thursday 10th April**  
**Parents Evening**

**Friday 11th April**  
**Easter competition judged**

**Friday 11th April**  
**Break up for Easter**

**Monday 28th April**  
**Return to school for Summer 1**

**Thursday 1st May**  
**Reading Café**

**Monday 5th May**  
**May Day Bank Holiday**

**Thursday 8th May**  
**Reading Cafe**

**Monday 12th - Thursday 15th May**  
**Y6 SATS week**

# NEWSLETTER

## A message from the **PRINCIPAL**



Hello everyone,

It has been a busy and rewarding Spring Term and we are proud of the hard work and dedication which continues to shape the growth and success of our school.

I would like to give a special mention to Year 6 who have been working extremely hard to prepare for their SATS at the start of May and thank all of the staff team for supporting the children to achieve their full potential.

Every day at school is a chance for children to grow, learn and build skills for the future and when children are absent they miss key moments of learning which can have a significant impact on their progress. We understand that sometimes

children may need to stay home due to illness but encourage them to attend as much as possible as missing too many days can disrupt learning. As parents you play a vital role in ensuring children have consistent attendance and we appreciate your efforts in making your child's education a top priority.

We are looking forward to seeing you at Parents Evening to celebrate your children's progress over the year and I would like to thank all of our parents for your continued support to ensure the success of our children.

**Mrs K Benton**

**Principal**

### Easter Egg Competition

All children are invited to take part in our Easter competition by decorating an egg (hard boiled or plastic/polystyrene only please!) and bringing it into school on Thursday 10th April. Entries will be judged and the winners announced on Friday 11th!







# Safeguarding

## This Month's Focus - WhatsApp

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit [nationalcollege.com](https://nationalcollege.com).

### What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

# WHATSAPP

WhatsApp is a free messaging service owned by Meta which allows users to send text and voice messages, make video calls, share multimedia – such as images, videos, documents and polls – and have group chats. WhatsApp messages are encrypted, meaning only you and the recipient can view what is sent. While this privacy may sound attractive on paper, this app unfortunately comes with several risks that must be considered – especially for younger users.

AGE RESTRICTION  
**13+**

#### WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

#### EVOLVING SCAMS

WhatsApp's popularity makes it a lucrative hunting ground for scammers. Recent examples include posing as the target's child, requesting a money transfer because of a spurious 'emergency' and even cons where fraudsters trigger a verification message by attempting to log in to your account, then, posing as WhatsApp, call or text to ask you to repeat the code back to them, giving them access to your private messages and personal information.

#### CHANNELS

Channels let users follow interests without sharing their phone numbers or sending direct messages, allowing only votes on polls and reacting to posts with emojis. However, fraudulent channels can impersonate legitimate organizations, tricking people into sharing personal data and even spreading misinformation or hate speech. Additionally, WhatsApp may collect details about followed channels and sell this information to third parties, raising data privacy concerns.

#### FAKE NEWS

WhatsApp's connectivity and ease of use allows news to be shared rapidly – whether it's true or not. To combat the spread of misinformation, messages forwarded more than five times on the app now display a "Forwarded many times" label and a double arrow icon. This makes users aware that the message they've just received is far from an original – and might not be entirely factual, either.

#### CHAT LOCK

Another new feature named 'Chat Lock' allows users to store certain messages or chats in a separate 'locked chats' folder, saved behind a passcode, fingerprint or face ID authentication. While this usually functions as intended, it can potentially be exploited by younger users to hide conversations and content that they suspect their parents wouldn't approve of – such as the sharing of age-inappropriate material.

#### DISAPPEARING MESSAGES

Disappearing messages are useful for sharing personal or sensitive information, but young people may have a false sense of privacy regarding the content they share. These messages disappear after anywhere from 24 hours to 90 days – depending on the user's preference – or can even be set to be viewed one time only. However, the recipient can 'keep' the message by bookmarking or screenshotting it, making them not as private as they may first appear.

#### VISIBLE LOCATION

WhatsApp's 'live location' feature lets users share their current whereabouts, which can be helpful for friends meeting up or parents checking that their child's safely on the way home, for example. However, children are able to share their location with anyone in their contacts list or a mutual group – potentially letting strangers identify their live location.

## Advice for Parents & Educators

#### EMPHASISE CAUTION

Encourage children to treat unexpected messages with caution. Get them to consider, for example, whether it sounds like something a friend or relative would really send them. Make sure they know never to share personal details over WhatsApp, and to be wary of clicking on any links in messages. Setting up two-step verification adds a further layer of protection to their WhatsApp account.

#### THINK BEFORE SHARING

Help children understand why it's important to stop and think before posting or forwarding something on WhatsApp. It's easy – and all too common – for content sent to one user to then be shared more widely, and even publicly on social media. Encourage them to consider how an ill-judged message might damage their reputation or upset a friend who sent something to them in confidence. Real-life friendships are far more important than likes, after all.

#### ADJUST THE SETTINGS

It's wise to change a child's WhatsApp settings to specify which of their contacts can add them to group chats without needing approval. To do this, go to Privacy, then Groups. You can give permission to My Contacts or My Contacts Except ... Additionally, if the child needs to use Live Location, emphasise that they should enable this function for only as long as they need – and then turn it off.

#### CHAT ABOUT PRIVACY

Have a conversation with youngsters about how they're using WhatsApp, emphasising that it's for their own safety. If you spot a 'Locked Chats' folder, you might want to talk about the sort of messages that are in there, who they're with and why a child might want to hide them. Also, if a young user has sent any 'view once' content, discuss their reasons for using this feature.

#### Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian Government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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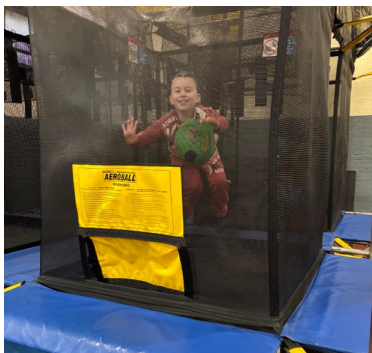


# Y5/6 Liddington Residential

Children in Years 5 and 6 had a great time at their PGL adventure activity week at Liddington!



## Year 3 Residential & Activity Week





# Lunch Menu

## Jubilee Primary Academy Menu Week One



Menu for Week Commencing: 24th Feb, 17th Mar, 7th Apr, 12th May, 9th Jun, 30th Jun



**Main**  
Option One

**Monday**

Cheese & Tomato Pizza (V)  
Served with Crispy Wedges & Coleslaw

**Tuesday**

Chicken Tikka Masala  
Served with Basmati Rice, Broccoli & Sweetcorn

**Wednesday**

Herby Roasted Chicken  
Served with Spring Cabbage, Carrots, Roast Potatoes & Gravy

**Thursday**

Prime Beef Cottage Pie  
Served with Green Beans & Honey Roast-Parsnips

**Friday**

Southern Fried Chicken  
Served with Oven Baked Chips, Baked Beans & Peas

**Main**  
Option Two

Tasty Quorn Bolognaise (V)  
Served with Wholemeal Pasta, Carrots & Peas

Creamy Cauliflower & Macaroni Cheese (V)  
Served with Broccoli & Sweetcorn

Quorn Roast (V)  
Served with Spring Cabbage, Carrots, Roast Potatoes & Gravy

Shepherdess Pie (V)  
Served with Green Beans & Honey Roast-Parsnips

Crispy Quorn Dippers (V)  
Served with Oven Baked Chips, Baked Beans & Peas

**Daily**  
Available All Week

*Jacket potatoes with a choice of hot & cold toppings, freshly made salad selection, crusty baked bread, cheese & biscuits, fresh fruit & yoghurts. Made to order sandwiches are also readily available.*

*Alternative dietary options are available on request*

**Dessert**

Oatey Apple Crumble with Custard

Strawberry Jelly

Lemon Drizzle Cake

Fruity Flapjack  
Served with Custard

Frozen Fruit Yoghurt

## Jubilee Primary Academy Menu Week Two



Menu for Week Commencing: 3rd Mar, 24th Mar, 28th Apr, 19th May, 16th Jun, 7th Jul



**Main**  
Option One

**Monday**

Salmon Goujons or Fish Fingers  
Served with Crispy Wedges & Minted Peas

**Tuesday**

Beef Keema  
Served with Naan Bread, Fluffy Rice, Broccoli & Sweetcorn

**Wednesday**

Sausage & Yorkshire Pudding  
Served with Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables & Gravy

**Thursday**

Tex-Mex Enchiladas  
Served with Corn on the Cob & Red Cabbage Slaw

**Friday**

Southern Fried Chicken  
Served with Oven Baked Chips, Baked Beans & Peas

**Main**  
Option Two

Margherita Pizza (V)  
Served with Crispy Wedges & Coleslaw

Mac 'N' Cheese (V)  
Served with Garlic Bread, Broccoli & Sweetcorn

Quorn Sausage & Yorkshire Pudding (V)  
Served with Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables & Gravy

Bean Enchiladas (V)  
Served with Corn on the Cob & Red Cabbage Slaw

Cheese & Onion Slice (V)  
Served with Oven Baked Chips, Baked Beans & Peas

**Daily**  
Available All Week

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**Dessert**

Shortbread

Chocolate & Banana Marble Cake with Custard

Creamy Rice Pudding & Fruit

Pineapple Up-Side Down Pudding with Custard



Ice-Cream & Mini Cookie

# Lunch Menu

## Jubilee Primary Academy Menu Week Three



Menu for Week Commencing: 10th Mar, 31st Mar, 5th May, 2nd Jun, 23rd Jun, 14th July

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
 <b>Main</b> Option One	Chicken Burger Served with Crispy Wedges & Coleslaw	Beef Meatballs Served with Pasta, Broccoli & Sweetcorn	Herby Roasted Chicken Served with Spring Cabbage, Carrots, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Beef Bolognaise Served with Penne Pasta, Cauliflower & Green Beans	Crispy Battered Fish Served with Oven Baked Chips, Baked Beans & Peas
<b>Main</b> Option Two	Vegetable Burger (V) Served with Crispy Wedges & Coleslaw	Cheese & Potato Pie (V) Served with Broccoli & Sweetcorn	Quorn Roast (V) Served with Spring Cabbage, Carrots, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Vegetable Lasagne (V) Served with Garlic Bread, Cauliflower & Green Beans	Quorn Nuggets (V) Served with Oven Baked Chips, Baked Beans & Peas
<b>Daily</b> Available All Week	Jacket potatoes with a choice of hot & cold toppings, freshly made salad selection, crusty baked bread, cheese & biscuits, fresh fruit & yoghurts. Made to order sandwiches are also readily available. Alternative dietary options are available on request				
 <b>Dessert</b>	American Pancakes	Carrot Cake & Vanilla Custard	Steamed Apple & Syrup Sponge	Mandarin Orange Jelly	Strawberry Mousse

Polite reminder: Scooters and bikes must be walked into school from the school gates.



Please be considerate to our neighbours and children



The safety of our pupils and families holds the highest priority for us. PLEASE help us to keep everyone safe by parking appropriately and safely.

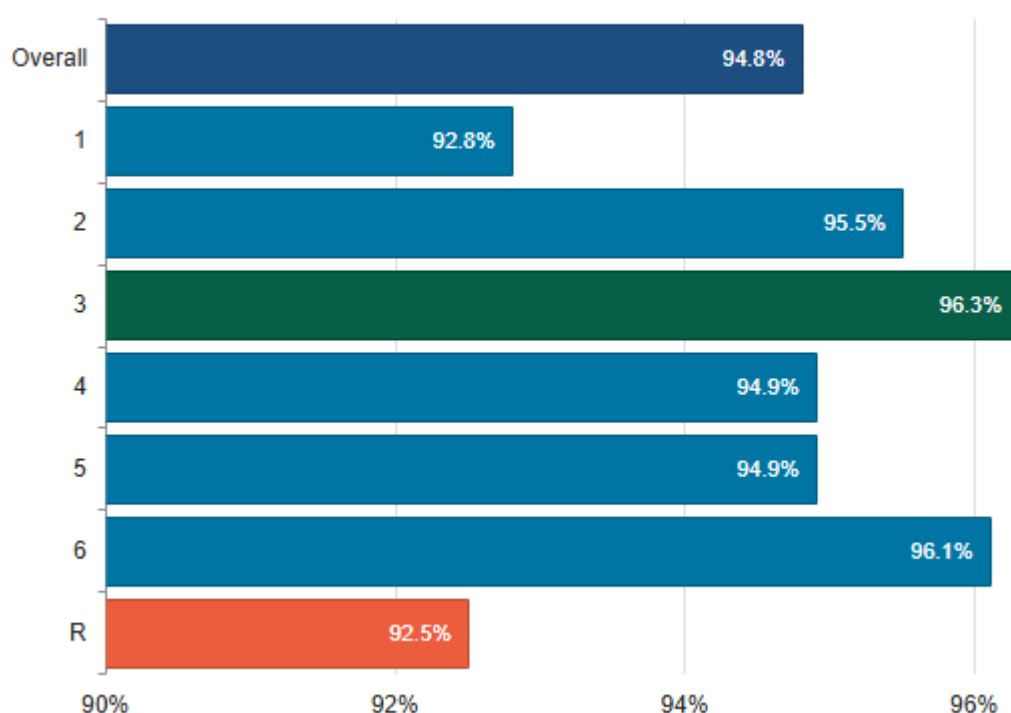
# Club Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchtime	Y3 Football	Y4 Football	Y5 Football	Y6 Football	
After School		SATS Tutoring	Martial Arts Club Sports Coach	SATS Tutoring	

## ATTENDANCE

Absences must be notified by 9am by phone call or email and please notify the office in advance of any appointments - to be able to code this as medical we have to have confirmation of the appointment. Where possible please give children paracetamol or similar and bring them to school where we will monitor them and call you if there become too unwell to stay.

If your child takes too much time off school and their attendance drops below 90% they will become categorised as persistently absent (PA). Missing school will make your child fall behind in lessons and will impact on their academic progress. If your child's attendance has dropped below 95%, school will make contact to raise concerns and offer support. An attendance letter will be sent and school will no longer approve absences unless medical evidence is submitted.



Reminder that the doors close at 8.50am and any child arriving after this time will receive a L code.

If your child arrives after 9.20am, they will receive a U code which will affect their attendance.

Please ensure children arrive on time as being late disrupts not only their learning but that of the whole class.

Children must be collected on time at the end of the day - if you are running late due to exceptional circumstances please call the office by no later than 2.45pm

# Dates 2024/25

	<u>OPEN</u>	<u>CLOSE</u>
<b>Summer Term 2024</b>	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> April Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July
<b>Autumn Term 2024</b>	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December
<b>Spring Term 2025</b>	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>Summer Term 2025</b>	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> April Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July

## Inset Days 2024/25

Monday 2nd September 2024

Friday 29th November 2024 – Trust PD day

Monday 6th January 2025

Friday 28th March

Friday 20th June 2025- Trust PD day

Monday 21st July 2025



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