



# Wroxall Primary School newsletter

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Dear parents and carers,

This week we welcomed our new Reception children into school, such a special moment for all of the children (and their parents). They looked so smart and grown up in their new school uniform and have amazed and inspired us with how quickly they have settled and how well they are coming into school independently each morning. A huge thank you to all parents and carers for supporting with this during these challenging times. It's wonderful to see them happily playing in their new classroom and outside area, exploring, investigating, collaborating and beginning their learning journey at Wroxall Primary.

Learning journeys for English and Maths have got underway in earnest within all classes in school this week. We remain really impressed with how well children have re-engaged following lockdown. Please be reassured that teachers are making ongoing assessments of the gaps in learning in order to support children to make rapid progress this term.

This week, teachers have received some training for 'Bug Club', a new reading programme which we are trialling this half-term. Class teachers will send your child home with a log-in shortly so that they can access reading books at home. This approach will support us to alleviate the COVID risk associated with reading books being sent between home and school. If you are concerned that reliance upon this digital approach will prevent your child from being able to read at home, please do speak to your child's teacher.

Have a lovely weekend

Kind regards,

Lynn Torrance (Headteacher)

**Date:** Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September  
Issue 2

## Important dates:

Development day: Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October

Half term break: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October

Last day of Autumn term – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December

First day of Spring term – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021

## Letters and Emails Home This Week:

Confirmation of change of day for P.E. in Australia class to **Mondays and Wednesdays**

## MENU: Week beginning

**Monday – Sandwich Options (Ham, Cheese & Tuna)**

**Tuesday - Sandwich Options (Ham, Cheese & Tuna)**

**Wednesday - Sandwich Options (Ham, Cheese & Tuna)**

**Thursday - Sandwich Options (Ham, Cheese & Tuna)**

**Friday - Sandwich Options (Ham, Cheese & Tuna)**

All children in Reception and KS1 are entitled to a free school meal every day. Lunches are available for children in KS2 for £2.15 each day.



## School Attendance (Target: 96%)

Week beginning 7/9/20

Australia Class 92%

Jamaica Class 98.9%

United Kingdom Class 91.1%

Italy Class 94.6%

Greece Class 93.6%

**Class award: Jamaica Class!**

**Number of children late: 2**



## Updated government guidance for parents and carers with regard to coronavirus

I would appreciate it if you would read the information below. If you have any queries there is a wealth of information available at [www.gov.uk/coronavirus](http://www.gov.uk/coronavirus).

If anyone within the school community becomes unwell with a **new and persistent cough or a high temperature, or has a loss of or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)**, they must be sent home and advised to follow guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection. This sets out that they should self-isolate for at least 10 days and should follow the test and trace guidance to see if they have coronavirus (COVID-19).

If a person tests positive whilst not experiencing symptoms but then develops symptoms during the isolation period, they should restart the 10-day isolation period from the day they develop symptoms.

Other members of their household (including any siblings) should self-isolate for 14 days from when the symptomatic person first had symptoms.

**If children are unwell with symptoms which are not related to Coronavirus, (such as a runny nose, sore throat, headache) they can continue to attend school if they are well enough to do so. We can continue to administer medication if needed in line with the school's policy. Please complete a medication form if needed.**

**Please remember to phone the school as soon as possible and (before 9:00am) to report your child's absence. The office opens at 8:30am.**

**All reasons for absence must also be followed up in writing for the school to be able to authorize them.**

**Thank you for your continued support.**

## Drop off and Collection times

Firstly, a huge thank you for your support with managing social distancing so well when entering and leaving the playground and using the one-way system. As the collection from classes is being managed so swiftly at the end of the day, from Monday we will leave the gates locked until 2:50pm to allow a few extra minutes of learning to take place in each class and reduce the disruption for KS1 children with some children leaving early with siblings. Children in Greece and Italy classes will leave their classes at 2:50pm, Children in U.K. class can be collected from 2:55pm and Year 1 and 2 children from Australia and Jamaica classes can be collected from the playground at 3:00pm.

Arrival times remain the same. Please ensure that children in Greece and Italy classes arrive promptly at 8:30am so that lessons can get started. We will lock the gate as soon as possible after 8:45am when all parents have exited the playground in order to keep everyone safe.

The start and finish time for Reception children in Australia class remains the same - 9:00am – 3:00pm. Reception children (without older siblings) should use the main entrance to school as normal.

### Breakfast and After School Club

We were able to welcome children back to our breakfast and after-school club this week. We do have some places still available. Please do contact the school office and complete a booking form if you would like a place.

**Please be aware that due to staffing commitments, if a booking is made, a charge will be made for this place even if your child does not attend.**

We are currently running the After-school Chill club until 5pm each day but we may need to review this to match demand and viability.



**Australia Class busy playing**



### Our learning this week....

**Robins:** Wroxall Robins have had a wonderful first week back, we enjoyed a 'phonics walk' on Tuesday along the railway track, looking for objects beginning with the letter 'a' -- We were successful and found an apple, an acorn and spotted an animal too!

**Australia Class:** Reception students have had an amazing start to school. They have had great fun playing in our new classroom and making friends. The Year 1's have worked very hard on their counting and reading – I am so proud of them!

**Jamaica Class:** Jamaica Class have been hard at work comparing Winnie the Pooh stories to Paddington Bear stories. They have learnt about adjectives for description and how to expand their sentences by using conjunctions.

**United Kingdom Class:** UK class have had a successful first full week back at school. We have begun our music lessons with a listen and appraise session. The children shared their opinions clearly and supported them with evidence.

**Italy Class:** This week, Italy class made a fantastic start to their learning journeys in maths and English. We also had some very honest and mature discussions around internet safety, in particular what should or shouldn't be shared online.

**Greece Class:** Greece class have been working hard this week and have adjusted well to their first full week. We have focused on 'Number and Place Value' in maths and 'Persuasive Speeches' in English. Have a great weekend!