



**LITTLE WALTHAM**  
C.E.V.A. Primary School

# WEEKLY NEWS

*Aspiring to inspire others towards excellence*

Summer Term – Edition 1 – 8<sup>TH</sup> September 2023

Dear Parents,

I hope everyone had a great summer and it gives me immense pleasure to welcome you all back to the start of a new school year at Little Waltham C.E.V.A Primary School.

Despite the unusually hot weather, every pupil, both returning and new, has made a great start to the academic year. The pupils have shown positivity, adaptability and dedication and slipped seamlessly into their new year groups, showcasing an enthusiasm for learning.

It has been a pleasure to welcome our new pupils in Reception who embark on their first ever school journey with us. Their excitement, curiosity and energy has been great to see and they are settling well into their new class and learning environment.

On the staffing front, we would like to welcome our new members of staff, Miss McIntyre and Mrs Dennis-Lauder who will be teaching in Year 3 and Year 1 this year. We would also like to welcome our new Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENCO), Mrs Uden, who will support and build on our inclusive learning environment.

The calendar for this academic year has been filling up with exciting events and has been enclosed within this newsletter. Please take a moment to mark these dates on your calendars, as we would love for you to join us whenever possible. Curriculum year group meetings for parents will begin the week beginning the 18<sup>th</sup> September (9am) and I'd like to invite parents to the Headteacher Coffee Morning on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September at 9am.

As we kick off this school year, we would like to thank parents and carers for your continued support and encouragement. We all look forward to working in partnership and to another fantastic year full of learning, growth and fun at Little Waltham.

Best wishes,

Mr S Saunders  
Headteacher

*Thank you to all the staff, parents and children for the incredibly generous Amazon token, flowers, gifts and good luck messages that I received at the end of the summer term. I am so grateful and I hope that everyone at Little Waltham has a happy and successful year ahead.*

*With my very best wishes,  
Mrs Finch  
Senco*



## Dates for the diary

### **Non-Pupil Days**

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December

Monday 3<sup>RD</sup> June

<b>September 2023</b>		
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9am	Year 4 Welcome Meeting with Parents
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9am	Year 6 Welcome Meetings with Parents
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9am	Year 1 Welcome Meeting with Parents
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> Sept	9am	Year 2 Welcome Meeting with Parents
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	9am	Year 3 Welcome Meeting with Parents
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9am	Year 5 Welcome Meeting with Parents
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9:15am	Headteacher Coffee Morning
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9am	Harvest Festival
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9am	EYFS Welcome Meeting with Parents
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> Sept	2:30pm	EYFS Teddy Bears Picnic with Parents
<b>October 2023</b>		
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> Oct	9am	Early Reading Meeting with Parents
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct	TBC	Author Visit Year 4,5, &6
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct	9:30am	Prospective Parent Visits
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct	9am	Yr6 Braintree Museum
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	3:40-6pm	Parents Evening
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct	9:30am	Prospective Parent Visits
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct	3:40-6pm	Parents Evening
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct		INSET DAY
Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> - Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Oct		HALF TERM BREAK
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct		Science Day
<b>November 2023</b>		
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	9:30am	Prospective Parent Visits
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	9am	Early Numbers Workshop
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	9am	Remembrance Day Worship
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov		Faith Day - Festival of Light
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	9am	Year 6 Assembly
<b>December 2023</b>		
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec		Christmas Tree Dressing Assembly
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec		Year 6 - WW1 Flight Simulator
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec		KS1 Nativity to School
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9:30am	KS1 Nativity to Parents
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec		Christmas Dinner
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec		Reports out to Parents
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec		INSET DAY

Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> –Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jan		CHRISTMAS BREAK
January 2024		
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> Jan		Take One Picture Exhibition
February 2024		
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb		Children’s Mental Health Week
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb	9am	Year 2 Assembly
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	TBC	Parents Evening
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	TBC	Parents Evening
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb		HALF TERM
March 2024		
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March		World Book Day
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	9am	Year 4 Assembly
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March		Faith Day – Easter Faith Day
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	2pm	Speech Festival
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March		Reports to Parents
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> – Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> April		BANK HOLIDAY
April 2024		
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> – Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> April		HALF TERM
May 2024		
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	9am	Reception Assembly
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May		BANK HOLIDAY
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May – Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> May		SATS Week
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May		Faith Day - Pentecost
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> May		KS1 SATs Week
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	9am	Year 3 Assembly
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> May		HALF TERM
June 2024		
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June		INSET DAY
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> June		Time Table Screening
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	9am	‘Sex & Relationship Education’ Parent Meeting
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 14 <sup>th</sup>		Phonics Screening Week
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	9am	Year 1 Assembly
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	9:30am	Sports Day and family picnic
July 2024		
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	9am	Macbeth Production Year 4
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	2pm & 6pm	Year 6 Production
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July		Reports to Parents
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	TBC	End of Year Presentations
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	TBC	Leavers Assembly

Class Assemblies		
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	9am	Year 6
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb	9am	Year 2
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	9am	Year 4
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	9am	Year 3
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	9am	Reception
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	9am	Year 1