

WILBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter



APRIL 2025

Children at the heart of all we do!

This Newsletter can be accessed on our School website:

www.wilburyprimaryschool.org.uk

Dear Parent/Carer,

EASTER HOLIDAYS: We close for the Easter break on Friday 4th April at **2.00 p.m**
Please note the last day for **Ladybird and Puffins** Classes will be on Thursday 3rd April. School re-opens for Nursery – Year 6 classes on Tuesday 22nd April, after the Easter Bank Holiday Monday. **TERRIFIC TWOS** will reopen on Wednesday 23rd April We are also CLOSED on Monday 5th May – May Day bank holiday.

CURRICULUM STATEMENTS: Statements will be emailed to you later this month outlining the subjects your child will be studying during the summer term.

BAG-2-SCHOOL – We will be holding another bag-2-school day on **13th May** – please bring in any unwanted clothes shoes etc., in black bags by 9.00 a.m. on that day. The funds raised will be used by Friends of Wilbury towards trips and visits for the children next term.

FoW: NON-UNIFORM DAY: Our next non-uniform day is on **Wednesday 2nd April** – please pay £2 on parentpay in advance. These funds will go towards reducing the costs of school trips in the future and also for the updating and repair of our school play equipment in the playgrounds. We will also be selling **doughnuts** after school in the playgrounds at £1 each (cash please).

NUT ALLERGIES: We are a healthy eating school and several of our children have severe nut allergies. Please **DO NOT** send any child into school with nut products (peanut butter, sesame seeds, nutella etc) or chocolates or biscuits and cakes containing nuts in their lunch boxes. Even the smell of these products can cause an allergic reaction to another child sitting nearby

PUNCTUALITY & ATTENDANCE: **Please make sure you bring your children to school on time every day**, we don't want them to miss out on any valuable learning time! Your most important job as a parent is to bring them to school on time every day and, in school, we will help your children to thrive and achieve!

WORLD BOOK DAY 2025: Thank you to everyone who dressed up on the day – it was wonderful to see so many different outfits and the children having so much fun.



TWO YEAR OLD PROVISION: The eligibility rules have now changed to extend to families where both parents are working. If you feel you may be eligible please contact the school office for further details. This would cover 15 hours per week/38 weeks term time – 3 hours per day over five days.

TERRIFIC TWOS – paid places: We are able to offer places in TWOS at £20 per session for parents who are not eligible for funding. This would be for up to five 3-hour sessions per week, mornings or afternoons during term time. Please contact our school office if you are interested.

HEADLICE: If you think your child may be suffering from headlice please ask your pharmacist for advice or access the NHS website/headlice for information.

SECURITY LOCKS: Please remember that if you are leaving your child's bike on site during the day they **must** be securely locked while on the bike ramps. Please provide a lock and ensure your child knows how to use it.



Friends of Wilbury:

Non-uniform day Wednesday 2nd April - £2 on parentpay. Doughnut sale after school – playground area.

BAG-2-SCHOOL – next collection **Tuesday 13th May** – please bring bags by 9.00 am

Wilbury Community:

Felix Project - food deliveries are every Tuesday. If you would like to receive some items, please contact Mrs Mohamed. PLEASE BE AWARE - The Felix Project collects fresh, nutritious food from suppliers that cannot be sold. Please visit <https://thefelixproject.org/about/our-story> for more information

LOST PROPERTY: All lost property will be displayed in the dining hall today from 3.00 pm. today – Tuesday 1st April. If your child has lost any items this term please have a look for them as it will all be disposed of afterwards. **PLEASE ENSURE ALL YOUR CHILDS PROPERTY IS CLEARLY NAMED.**

SCHOOL MEALS & HOME PACKED LUNCHES: Please see our packed lunch policy and updated menus on our website. Please also bear in mind that the school receives additional funding if our uptake of school meals is over 90%. Please call the office if you would like to change to free school meals – saving you over £400 per year per child.

ASHMOLE ACADEMY: Ashmole Academy are currently receiving applications for the Musical Aptitude Test 2025 for September 2026 entry (current Year 5) with the listening test taking place on Sunday 8th June, 2025. Please see their website for further details: musicalaptitude@ashmoleacademy.org

WATER BOTTLES: Please remember to send your child to school with a **plastic water** bottle showing their name – not a metal bottle.

KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE: ROAD SAFETY & Parking in Wilbury Way/ Weir Hall Road: Please remember that road safety is the responsibility of everyone and we must ensure all our children are safe at all times. **Please remember to park sensibly outside our school for the safety of all our children and DO NOT stop on the mini roundabout to drop off your child as this is extremely dangerous.** In consideration of our neighbours, please do not park across their driveways whether the car is there or not. If they have a dropped kerb you could be fined up to £250 if traffic wardens are in attendance and it is towed. **Always ensure you are never blocking emergency vehicle access.** Please keep well away from the bus stop area as this is very dangerous for children boarding or leaving the buses.

SCHOOL UNIFORM: in line with the other schools in our Trust, we have now transferred all our uniform sales to MAPAC the uniform providers. You can still place online orders which can either be delivered directly to your home address incurring a postage charge or have it delivered to the school without a postal charge. Deliveries are likely to be every two weeks so please bear this in mind when placing your orders. The complete range of uniform is available from MAPAC and is shown on their website – www.mapac.com/education/parents. If you are ordering summer dresses for school please ensure these are the correct colour, blue.

L. Wise (Mrs)
Headteacher

DATES FOR YOUR APRIL DIARY:



APRIL:		
Tuesday	1 st	Classes 3G & 3L at Epping Visitors Centre Lost Property display – 3.15 pm Dining Hall
Wednesday	2 nd	Non-uniform day - £2 on parentpay please Doughnuts on sale after school
Thursday	3 rd	Classes 3D & 3PH at Epping Visitors Centre Last day for Ladybird & Puffins Classes
LAST DAY OF TERM: Friday 4th April – school closes at 2.00 pm		
Tuesday	22 nd	School Re-opens Nursery – Year 6 only Classes 5V & 5S at Planetarium Mulberry School
Wednesday	23 rd	TWOS reopens – Toucans & Puffin Classes Classes 5B & 5C visit to Tower of London
Thursday	24 th	Classes 5B & 5C at Planetarium Mulberry School
Friday	25 th	Classes 5V & 5S visit to Tower of London
Saturday	26 th	Mini-marathon: 25 pupils at Horse Guards Parade
Wednesday	30 th	Year 5 Ancient Islamic Civilisations workshops
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BREAKFAST & AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS:

Please register your child at the school if you would like to attend either club at any time.

Please be aware that we cannot accept children in the clubs as emergency child care.

Each child must be registered with all your contact details and given a regular place.

for health and safety as well as insurance reasons. We need to be fully staffed for the group in the club. All places must be paid for in advance via parentpay.

Breakfast Club now opens at 7.45 am

SCHOOL STREETS: Please be aware that our school is part of the School Streets scheme - this means you cannot drive through Weir Hall Road between **08.30 – 9.15 am and 2.45 – 3.30 p.m.** The area covered is between Wilbury Way/Lansbury Avenue.

Our address is also included in the ULEZ extended charging zone.

The last day of the Spring Term is **Friday 4th April** when we close at **2.00 p.m.** We reopen after EASTER on **Tuesday 22nd April**, after the Easter Bank Holiday Monday. (TWOS on 23rd April)

School Closure Dates: 2024/2025:

INSET DAYS: (Staff training)

- Monday 2nd September
- Tuesday 3rd September
- Monday 6th January 2025
- Monday 24th February 2025
- **Monday 21st July 2025**
- **Tuesday 22nd July 2025**

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