

WARMINSTER PREP SCHOOL



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PARENT HANDBOOK

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The Warminster School Ethos

Statement of Intent

'The Warminster education aims to encourage each boy and girl to fulfil their academic potential and to promote intellectual curiosity and a love of learning. In addition, the School provides a secure and supportive pastoral environment, with an emphasis on character, values, leadership and service. The School believes in an all-round education and offers a wide range of co-curricular opportunities and experiences; it fosters a culture of enthusiasm, optimism and participation. A Warminster education prepares the pupils for life beyond school, at university and in the world of work. We are a community in which each boy and girl is valued and nurtured on the basis of who they are, whatever their year group, gender, natural gifts or background. It is a preparation for life.'

The School aims to:

- provide a first class education
- promote academic excellence, intellectual curiosity and a love of learning
- provide a caring pastoral environment in which each and every pupil is nurtured
- create informed, confident, enthusiastic, well-rounded and independent young people
- instill a sense of service and pride in one's school
- foster individual and collective responsibility
- develop leaders and team players who are at ease with themselves and others
- foster an appreciation of culture, music, drama and art
- encourage involvement in exercise and sport as an aid to both physical and mental wellbeing
- provide co-curricular opportunities for all, both indoors and outdoors, to help develop character, initiative and enterprise
- uphold the place of Christian worship within the community while promoting tolerance
- promote awareness of current affairs in preparation for life in the world beyond Warminster
- generate a sense of international and global awareness
- provide excellent careers and educational guidance to all pupils
- prepare pupils for progression into university and the world of work beyond
- encourage pupils to play an active role in shaping the future of their school

IAPS: The Incorporated Association of Preparatory Schools

This excellent association began over a century ago when a number of Head of Prep Schools met to agree what size cricket ball should be used in school games. It has grown to be a global association and is the kite mark of excellence within preparatory education.

The Head of Warminster Prep is a member of this association.

Warminster School Academic House System

The House system is set up for events such as Sports Day, inter-house matches and merits.

The three Houses are called: **ARNOLD (red)** **DENYS (blue)** **KEN (green)**

Thomas Arnold was a pupil of Warminster School in 1803. It was predicted of him that he would change the face of education through all the public schools of England and he lived to fulfill that prophecy. He became Head of Prep School of Rugby School and it is said that he always looked back on his days at Warminster “with a marked tenderness”.

St Denys is the patron saint of France. He was a missionary sent to Gaul in 250AD and a few years later was beheaded at the place in Paris now called Montmartre – (Martyr’s Hill). It was claimed that St Denys was a cephalophore – a head carrier- that is one of those martyrs said to have carried his severed head to his place of burial, in this case to the site of the abbey church of St Denys.

Thomas Ken was the Bishop of Bath and Wells from 1684-1688 when he was deposed because he refused to take the oath to William and Mary. He spent his last days at Longleat House and wrote hymns such as ‘Awake My Soul’ and ‘With The Sun Thy Daily Stage of Duty Run’ and ‘Glory to Thee My God This Night’ (probably whilst sitting at Heaven’s Gate contemplating the scenery, minus the lions). It is interesting to note that now, three centuries later, the Bishop of Bath and Wells still visits the school.

Warminster Pre-Prep

The Pre-Prep Department, which is an essential and vital ingredient of the Prep School as a whole, consists of four year groups:-

Courtyard Nursery	Children may join for the term in which their third birthday falls.
Reception	In this class, children celebrate their fifth birthday.
Year 1	Taught together with Year 2, in this class, children celebrate their sixth birthday.
Year 2	Taught together with Year 1, in this class, children celebrate their seventh birthday.

This booklet is intended to give you an outline of life in the Pre-Prep Department. Further information for Nursery parents will be handed out in your joining pack, so please ensure you read this carefully.

AIMS OF PRE-PREP

- To provide a stable learning environment.
- To build a partnership with parents.
- To build on a child's prior experiences, skills and knowledge, enabling him/her to fulfil his/her potential.
- To meet the needs of every child including those with Special Educational Needs.
- To help each child develop a lively and enquiring mind through providing opportunities for activity-based learning.
- To foster an understanding and appreciation of moral values and to promote tolerance and respect for others.
- To develop each child's language, mathematics, understanding of the world, creative and physical skills.

PREPARING FOR SCHOOL

Starting school is often a far more daunting and tiring experience than many parents realise. Although your child may have experience of full-time nursery education elsewhere, they will probably find a full day at school more taxing. As a result, the first few weeks in Nursery and Reception are used to get to know each other and to find our way around the School. Should your child start in Year 1 or 2, they will be assigned a 'buddy' who will look after them for the first few days of settling in.

Helping Your Child Prepare for School:

It is helpful if your child can do the following before joining us:-

- Courtyard Nursery
- Use the toilet reliably
 - Make an attempt to dress and undress
 - Feed him/her self
 - Be able to play independently for short periods
 - Be able to play co-operatively with other children
 - Be able to listen to and enjoy a story

Reception

In addition to the above, it is helpful if your child can:

- Recognise their own name
- Recognise some numbers
- Make an attempt to write their name (not in capitals, please)
- Handle books with care

Your assistance in helping your child to achieve these aims is not only of great practical benefit to the teacher but also boosts your child's confidence enormously.

Induction

At the start of the academic year, we recommend pupils entering Nursery and Reception should:

- Attend mornings only for the first week
- Attend mornings and lunch for the second week
- Attend full-time or for the sessions agreed from week three onwards (if both parents and teacher agree this is appropriate for the child)

THE SCHOOL DAY

8.00am	Children may arrive, by prior arrangement (24 hrs notice) and can be left in our Early Morning Club in the Nursery
8.15am	A member of staff will be on duty on the Pre-Prep playground and parents may leave their children
8.20am	Teachers are available in their classrooms for parents
8.30am	Start of school. Teachers arrive on the playground to collect their class. Children go to their classrooms for registration
8.40/8.50am	Assembly in the School Hall
9.15am	Work session 1
10.15am-10.40am	Break
10.45am	Work session 2
12.30pm	Lunch
1.00pm	Play time
1.30pm	Work session 3
2.50pm-3.10pm	Break
3.10pm	Story and end of day activities
3.30pm	Home

At 3.30pm, pupils may stay in the After School Club until 5.15pm. During this time, they will have a drink and a snack and be looked after by members of staff, who will supervise appropriate activities.

What Do We Need to Bring for Reception, Years 1 and 2?

1. Sports kit – See uniform list in **Additional Documents**
2. A school book bag available from www.schoolblazer.com
3. A named water bottle (not Nursery children)

ARRIVAL AT SCHOOL

Parking is available in the Prep School but space is very limited. In the absence of a space, we ask that parents park at the Senior School on the Old Vicarage and Stratton House car parks. Please do not park on the turning circle or yellow lines.

Please exercise care when driving on or entering/exiting the site.

Courtyard Nursery Children

A member of nursery staff will meet you and your child on the Pre-Prep playground at 8.30am. Please feel free to accompany your child into the classroom, and you are welcome to stay for a few minutes until they settle.

If collecting before lunch, please wait outside the classroom at 12.00 noon. When collecting after lunch, you should meet your child in the playground at 1.30pm and inform the duty teacher before taking your child.

Reception

The class teacher will collect your child from the Pre-Prep playground but you are very welcome to accompany them to the classroom until they settle. We would hope you would not need to do this beyond the first half term.

Year 1

We would like to aim for your child to bring him/herself to the classroom independently by the end of their first week in Year 1. This is a great builder of confidence. Please do not leave your child in the school car park but always escort him/her to the Pre-Prep playground or to Early Morning Club.

Year 2

We would hope all children in Year 2 are able to arrive at the classroom independently, having been escorted as far as the Pre-Prep playground or Early Morning Club.

Late Arrival/Absence

If your child is going to be late or absent from School, please let the School Office know as soon as possible after 8.15am. (01985 224823 or e-mail: prep@warminsterschool.org.uk)

End of Day

At the end of the day (3.30pm), the class teacher will bring your child to the Pre-Prep playground. From there, they will be dismissed once the teacher has checked that each child has someone to collect them. Nursery children should be collected from their classroom. Nursery staff will open the door once all children are ready for collection.

It is essential that we know who is collecting your child each day. If on any occasion the teacher on duty is unsure as to whether your child should be going home with the collecting adult, we reserve the right to keep your child at school until we confirm with you that they have collection permission. For the Nursery children we have a written permission slip that must be completed and include details of any adults who could collect your child. We ask that you inform the School Office on 01985 224800 (e-mail: prep@warminsterschool.org.uk) of any last minute unavoidable changes.

Children who attend After School Club may be collected from the classroom before 5.15pm, thereafter they will join the boarders.

Please be aware that if you choose to let your child play on the playground equipment after 3.30pm, you do so at your own risk.

BREAK AND LUNCH

Break

During break time, the children are allowed to eat their snack and drink the water or milk provided. There are members of staff on duty on the playground or field.

Lunch

Your child will be encouraged to make sensible selections for school lunch and we will endeavour to persuade him/her to eat lunch. However, we do not believe that forcing a child to eat something they do not want will be of any help and may even cause them to worry about school lunchtimes.

If your child suffers any food allergies/intolerances or has any particular dislikes, please let us know in writing.

During lunch break, there are members of staff on duty on the playground or field.

ILLNESS

If your child is unwell during the night please keep him/her at home the next day, even if feeling better; after a disturbed night a school day is even more tiring and will not help your child to make a full recovery. After an episode of vomiting/diarrhoea we ask that children be kept at home for 48hrs after the symptoms have ceased; following a temperature a child should not return to school until 24hrs after it has returned to normal. If your child is to be absent, please notify the School as soon as possible (after 8.30am).

If a child complains of illness he/she will be checked by the class teacher and the School Nurse. We need contact numbers in case we feel he/she should go home. Please ensure that these are up to date at all times.

In the case of an accident or emergency, we will make every effort to contact you immediately but if necessary will take your child to the nearest Casualty Department rather than delay any necessary treatment. Should your child have any ongoing medical condition, e.g. uses an inhaler, suffers from hearing problem, needs to wear spectacles in lessons etc., we should be informed. If he/she should require medication, you must inform the School Nurse to discuss the particular situation.

If You Are Away

Should you be away on business or on holiday, even if your child is being looked after at home, please ensure you let us know. If your child is staying with friends or relatives, again, please do inform us ensuring we have contact numbers for emergencies. Please also let us know of any bereavement or upset in the family (including the death of a pet) as this may well affect your child's behaviour at School.

REWARDS

From Reception onwards there is an active merit system operating throughout the school, whereby the children can earn up to four merits at a time. They keep their tally on a merit chart and each term the totals are collected to go towards a house score. Pupils in Pre-Prep are regularly awarded stickers or stamps for good work or good behaviour and can earn bronze, silver or gold certificates as they collect specific numbers of merits.

Each pupil is a member of one of three houses:

ARNOLD
(Red)

DENYS
(Blue)

KEN
(Green)

Your child will be told which House they belong to when they start school. Siblings are always put in the same House.

Pupils in the Pre-Prep also enjoy a Golden Time session on a Friday afternoon. This is used as an incentive for good behaviour. Further details can be found in the Pre-Prep Behaviour Policy.

CURRICULUM

Courtyard Nursery and Reception

We follow the Early Years Foundation Stage framework recognising that every child is unique. We believe that all areas of learning and development are equally important and inter-connected. Our environment offers opportunities for the child to develop and learn in a variety of ways at different rates.

Year 1 / Year 2

The curriculum is based on the National Curriculum requirements but with a strong emphasis on Literacy and Numeracy. A wide range of subjects are taught to broaden interest, including Science, Humanities, Art, Design Technology, Information Communication Technology (ICT), Physical Education, Religious Education and French. These subjects are studied through a topic-based approach, which is cross-curricular.

All pupils have specialist teachers for Music, French, PE and (from Year 1) ICT.

Curriculum Maps

These are sent home to parents half termly and available to view on the Parent Portal. The iSAMS Parent Portal is a secure on-line system available to parents and guardians of all current pupils, which allows them to access school. All new parents will be sent their own individual registration numbers and passwords to activate their accounts.

If you have a problem accessing the Parent Portal please contact the School Administrator: isams.support@warminsterschool.org.uk.

Assessment

Across the department, there is regular, ongoing teacher assessment and more formal assessments at various times during the year.

Parents Evenings/Reports

Nursery

During your child's time in Nursery you will be invited to a Parents' Evening in the Autumn Term, though this is not compulsory. In the Summer Term, parents of children moving on to a Reception class will be invited to discuss their child's transfer document. Through

regular daily contact, we will keep you informed of your child's progress. You will also receive summative assessment sheets during their time in Nursery.

Reception to Year 2

You will be invited to attend two Parents' Evenings during each year; one in the first half of the Autumn Term and one in the latter half of the Spring Term.

Half way through each academic year, you will receive an assessment of your child's achievements. At the end of the year, you will receive a full written report.

If you have any concerns or questions, which you would like to raise, please talk to your child's class teacher. If you feel that you need to have a longer discussion, you can always make an appointment to see us before or after school. Please remember that the Head of Prep is always available and happy to discuss any concerns you may have.

Homework

Children in the Pre-Prep have a long and busy school day so we do not expect a lot of them beyond the end of the school day. However, it is important that once they start on our reading programme (usually in Reception Class) children will be heard to read every evening, if only for 5 - 10 minutes.

Children will also be able to practise maths skills at home, using the Mathletics program. When children join the School, they will be given log-on details. In addition, during Year 2, they will be given weekly spellings to learn and individual Literacy targets to work on at home. Your support with this work is vital in helping children to make progress. More detailed information will be sent home with each of these assignments but if you have any questions about how best to support them, please ask your child's teacher.

Learning to read at Warminster

Learning to read and write fluently is vital if children are to get the maximum value from their education and fulfil their potential. At Warminster, we use a phonic approach that is highly structured. This means that your child will be taught all the sounds that letters make and how to blend them to form words. For each of the letter sounds, there is an action for the children to do. This helps them to remember the letter sounds and makes it an enjoyable activity. Your support at this stage is invaluable. At the start of your child's Reception year, the class teacher will hold a meeting for all parents to explain our approach to reading and writing in more detail. Do please try to come to this.

Further information can be found in our 'Reading Together' booklet, which is available in the office.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We try to keep the School uniform as simple and practical as possible. Please ensure all articles of clothing are clearly named. We ask that children in Courtyard Nursery have a spare set of clothing in school in the event of an 'accident'. All children in Reception and above will need a school cap in their House colours. These are available to purchase from the School Shop.

Please see the separate school uniform list for details.

We also have a named Warminster Prep School Reading Bag and PE Bag, which can be purchased from www.schoolblazer.com

Hair

Girls' hair is to be tied back if it sits on the shoulder or is longer. Hair fasteners (bobbles, slides etc.) must be plain black, brown or navy blue. If the hair falls forward into your daughter's eyes, a hair band is also needed, again either black, brown or navy blue. Boys' hairstyles are to be of a sensible cut (steps etc., are actively discouraged).

PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

At Warminster School, we very much value our partnership with parents and operate an open door policy with parents welcome to take an active part in many aspects of school life.

Warminster School Parents' Association

The WSPA is the organisation of Warminster School parents in both the Prep and Senior Schools. The function of the WSPA is to organise social and fundraising events, the profits from which serve to benefit pupils throughout the whole School. The WSPA organises a number of social events, most notably the Ball for parents and staff usually held on the last Saturday of the Summer Term. Notification of all WSPA events are circulated by email by the WSPA Committee.

The WSPA are always keen to welcome new members and to have as many members as possible at the Annual General Meeting. Please contact the School Office if you would like more information. You will find a £10 optional donation to WSPA on your school bill. It is very much appreciated if parents feel able to include this sum in their payment.

Celebration Assemblies

On Fridays, we hold a Celebration Assembly at 8.40am, which parents are all invited to attend. Each class teacher chooses one child to be Star of the Week and they are awarded

a badge (to be returned the following week) and a certificate. Merit certificates are also given out during this assembly and any other cause for celebration is mentioned. The Head of Prep is also happy to acknowledge and celebrate achievements outside of school, so please feel free to bring in certificates, rosettes etc. for them to mention.

During the year, we also hold class assemblies to which parents are invited. You will be informed when it is your child's class's turn so please keep a look out on the school newsletter.

Newsletters

We produce a weekly newsletter to keep parents informed of school events and news. These will be sent to you via email, so please make sure the Office has your correct email address. In addition you will receive regular updates direct from the classroom in the form of the Class Dojo and half termly letters.

Contacting Staff

Please see the Staff Contact list in **Additional Documents**

Warminster Prep

THE DAILY ROUTINE

Arrival

The Head of Prep looks forward to welcoming pupils every morning from 8.15am and will happily see them out of the car and up to the tennis courts where they will be supervised by a member of staff until school starts at 8.30am. Provision is available for pupils requiring an earlier start; please see **Boarding** for further details.

Parents are not expected to wait with pupils and may drop them by the turning circle. Should you need to come into School, please park in a marked bay so that the car park and driveway remain congestion free and the pupils can walk in safely.

Teachers are generally available in their classrooms between 8.20am and 8.30am for brief meetings.

Buses

Many Prep pupils make use of the extensive bus service the school offers. Each morning, a member of prep staff collects them from the buses and escorts them back on again at the end of the day. Please see the Bus Timetable in **Additional Documents** for more information.

Absence

Should your child be unwell, please contact the School Office by 10.00am on the first morning of the absence.

If you are delayed on your way to school and arrive after registration, please bring your child to sign in at the School Office.

Requests for absences other than illness and medical or dental appointments should be made to the Head of Prep in the first instance. Parents are asked to avoid arranging family holidays during term time. If a reasonable request for leave of absence is requested, the Head of Prep will always look upon this sympathetically.

Assembly

Three times a week the Prep School comes together to share in an assembly centered on the School's Christian ethos. Assemblies may be led by the Head of Prep, School Chaplain, teachers or pupils and have a wide range of themes. Class assemblies, to which parents are invited, take place throughout the year.

All parents are also welcome to attend 'Celebration Assembly' at 8.40am every Friday morning. During this assembly, school awards (Star of the Week, Merit Certificates, sports awards etc.) are given out and children learning a musical instrument may perform a short piece. The Head of Prep also likes to give out other awards or trophies that may have been earned outside school, for example, awards from a local rugby club, ski badges etc. If your child has won an award, please bring it to the Office so that it can be presented in Friday's assembly.

Timings of the Day

These can be found with the **Additional Documents** at the back of this booklet.

End of the Day

The academic school day ends at 3.45pm and pupils may sign out with a member of staff to go home at this time. All children must sign out from outside the Office before they leave the premises. Please let the School Office know if someone other than a parent will be collecting your child, or if you are going to be later than anticipated.

Many pupils choose to stay for clubs (see **Extra-Curricular**) until 4:45pm and on a Friday, Year 5 and 6 have a compulsory Games lesson which ends at this time. Again signing out takes place from outside the Office.

Extended supervision beyond 5.00pm is available upon request; please see **Boarding** for more details.

ACADEMIC

Assessment

The purpose of all assessment is to inform the teacher and the learner of progress made and to direct future teaching and planning. Ongoing teacher assessment takes place throughout your child's time at Warminster Prep. Pupils are assessed against learning objectives drawn from the National Curriculum and our own programmes of study on a weekly, termly and yearly basis. These assessments take a number of forms including weekly tests, cold and hot tasks and end of unit assessments. Twice a year pupils will undergo nationally recognised, age appropriate standardised tests. At present, these include English, Maths, Science and developed ability tests supplied by INCAS and GL Assessment. To complement these, we also run Pira Reading Assessments and Mathletics termly assessments. No additional time or processes are put in place to prepare pupils for these tests. They are administered in school with minimal disruption to learning.

Curriculum

Whilst we observe The National Curriculum with regard to English, Maths and Science, we also value our independence and maintain that Humanities (History, Geography and Religious Studies) should be taught as separate subjects. We also teach French from Reception to Year 6. All children have Art, Music, Drama, ICT, DT, PE, PHSE and Games to complete a broad and balanced curriculum.

Curriculum Maps

Curriculum maps give a brief outline of the topics each class will cover during the term in individual subject areas and are sent to parents at the end of each half term. They are also available to view on the **Parent Portal** (see **Communication with Parents**).

Essential Equipment

The School provides each child with all text books and exercise books. However, the following items are required to be purchased as compulsory extras from Year 3 upwards:

Ink Pen (or handwriting pen)

Geometry set

Pritt stick

Pocket sized Dictionary

2 pencils

Coloured pencils

Rubber

Pencil sharpener

Calculator

30 cm ruler

Scissors

Pencil case or tin

Handwriting

The School has a Handwriting Policy. Children will need their own good quality roller ball or ink pen.

Homework (Prep)

In Year 3, children should spend 10 minutes each evening reading with parents. They will have weekly spellings and Mathematics activities to learn. In addition, each week they may be set one English prep to last 15 minutes, when appropriate.

In Years 3 - 6, children should spend 15 minutes each evening reading with parents. They will have weekly spellings and Mathematics activities to learn. In addition, each week they may be set one English prep to last 20 minutes and one Maths prep to last 20 minutes, when appropriate.

In addition to the tasks outlined above, each half term pupils will be encouraged to complete optional enrichment activities from a structured Prep Matrix.

During term time, children should spend no longer on a prep than the allocated time. Parents are encouraged to check and sign **prep diaries** (see below) daily and comment where appropriate.

The Head of Prep sets a Head's Challenge over longer holiday periods. The children are 'challenged' to produce a piece of work around a set topic.

Learning Support

Within the School, we have a number of pupils who attend our Learning Support Department. If a pupil is referred to the Learning Support Department, parents are informed at the time of the referral and also, of the outcome. Individual or group Learning Support lessons are charged for at rates stated on the fees sheet.

Prep Diary

Each child receives a Prep Diary at the beginning of the academic year (or when they start at the school). Children will write down their homework tasks for each day in their diaries. They will also record their completed Reading and Maths activities as well as logging merits in the appropriate spaces. The prep diary should be kept neat and safe. Parents are encouraged to write any comments (e.g. if a child has found a prep particularly difficult) in the diaries and sign them on completion of tasks. Tutors will look at the diaries regularly and will be able to pick up on parental concerns.

Reporting

All pupils receive a written report at the end of the academic year in July. In addition to this, pupils in Years 3 - 6 are issued with grade cards in October, December and March, giving details of your child's performance in class. For Year 5 and 6, grade cards and reports are not sent out in hard copy but are available electronically through the Parent Portal (see **Communication with Parents**).

In addition to written feedback, parents are invited during the Winter and Spring Terms to attend a Parents' Evening to discuss pupil progress in person with teachers. We also hold an open classroom event each term, when parents are invited to look around the school, visit classrooms and view their child's work.

PASTORAL CARE

The School aims to provide a happy, caring environment for all children. The Form Tutor is the key link between home and school and any problems, however small, should be referred to him/her immediately. The Head of Prep is always available to see parents. Emphasis is placed on learning to work together, with the need for kindness and consideration for others. Our aim is to see your child settles happily and quickly into school life and grow in confidence and maturity day by day.

The Head of Key Stage Two will deal with concerns of a pastoral nature. Please contact him by email (initialsurname@warminsterschool.org.uk), on his direct line of (01985) 224802 or through the School Office.

Boarding

The School caters for full boarding, weekly boarding and flexi boarding. Boarding is in The Old Vic (Boys) and Ivy House (Girls). If you would like your child to board for a night, or a few nights, either because you are going to be away or because you would like him/her to have a trial stay, please contact the boarding house. It will usually be possible to accommodate your child. There is a charge for this (see the Fees Sheet in **Additional Documents**). A Boarding Handbook is available for each house and contains full and specific details on boarding for children and parents.

Day pupils are also able to take advantage of the boarding facilities and may join the boarders for breakfast or supper. For breakfast they will need to be dropped at the appropriate House between 7am and 7.20am. At 5.45pm boarders go to supper, returning to the house at 6.30pm. Day pupils are welcome to join them and should be collected from the boarding house between 6.30pm and 7.00pm. There is a small charge for meals taken and requests to stay before or after school should be made via the appropriate house (oldvic@warminsterschool.org.uk; ivy@warminsterschool.org.uk).

Bullying

No form of bullying, physical, mental or verbal, is tolerated. Should any form of bullying be brought to the attention of the Head of Prep, he will take the necessary action and parents will be contacted. A copy of the School Anti-Bullying Policy is available on request or via the School Website.

Discipline

The highest standards of discipline are expected at all times. Children are reminded regularly of the appropriate School Rules and at the same time they are encouraged to develop a code of self-discipline. Manners, courtesy and consideration for others are hugely important in the Prep School as they create an environment in which children are enabled to work and to develop their full potential.

Code of Conduct

This is set out in line with Warminster School's ethos and aims to fulfil the Statement of Intent. School rules are designed to reflect common sense and common courtesy and we try to involve pupils in the creation of guidelines as much as possible. Please see **Additional Documents** for a copy of the Code of Conduct.

Rewards

At Warminster Prep, the emphasis is always on reward rather than sanction and we enjoy celebrating pupils' achievements at our **Celebration Assembly** on a Friday morning. We have a merit system, which is designed to reward good work in and beyond the classroom. The merit system is primarily to reward good work, good behaviour and good manners. A pupil may be awarded 1, 2, 3 or 4 merits depending on the level of excellence achieved. Children receive certificates when they receive 50 (Bronze), 100 (Silver), 150 (Gold) and 200 (Platinum).

The Head of Prep gives awards for outstanding work – either in the classroom, around the school or projects pupils have undertaken by themselves at home. These awards consist of a sticker placed in the back of the child's **Prep Diary**. Prizes are also awarded, at an annual Prize Giving Service, for achievement and engagement, which takes place during the final week of the Summer Term. All parents and children from the Prep School are invited and prizes are awarded for success achieved during the year. Attendance by pupils in Years 3 – 6 is compulsory.

Sanctions

Occasionally, we are required to deal with serious infringements. These are usually referred to the Head of Key Stage Two, who may wish to notify parents. In the case of minor offences, such as running in corridor or shouting out in class etc. children will be spoken to and may receive 'minutes off' their break time.

Ultimately, matters may be referred to the Head of Prep. In very rare circumstances, he may demand a temporary or permanent exclusion order to be given.

Health

The Prep School has a dedicated School Nurse, who is available to offer health and wellbeing advice and provide basic treatment to all pupils. For more details, please see the letter from the Medical Centre in **Additional Documents**.

Pupil Illness

Please do not bring a child to school if he/she is unwell. In a school environment, colds, upset stomachs and viruses spread rapidly. To reduce the risk of cross-contamination between the children we request that you follow the following recommendations:

Raised temperatures: If your child is unwell with a raised temperature please keep them at home until their temperature has been within normal limits (36.5 – 37.5°C) for a minimum of 24 hours.

Diarrhoea/Vomiting: As recommended by the Department of Health, any child that has diarrhoea or vomiting must be clear of all symptoms for 48 hours before returning to school.

Head Lice

It is essential that each child's hair is checked regularly. In the event of finding head lice, please treat your child accordingly and inform the school as soon as possible. If a child is found to have lice at school, parents will be contacted and asked to treat the condition immediately.

Snacks

The children are provided with a mid-morning snack, which includes a choice of fruit, vegetable sticks or wholemeal sandwiches. A biscuit is offered at the end of the school day for pupils staying on for Clubs. Children are encouraged to drink water throughout the day and require water bottles, which can be filled from water machines located around the school.

Lunches

All pupils are expected to eat a balanced school lunch, which is served in the school dining room. Food is prepared daily on the premises and there is always a choice of hot and cold options. Children with special dietary requirements are always accommodated. Parents should make the School Nurse aware of their child's dietary requirements.

EXTRA CURRICULAR

Drama

The School has a very strong drama provision. There are several productions during the course of the year. In particular the Pre-Prep produce a Nativity Play towards the end of the Autumn Term; Years 3 & 4 produce a pantomime towards the end of the Spring Term and Years 5 & 6 stage a major musical production in the last weeks of the Summer Term. We are also committed to engaging with external dramatic opportunities such as the 'Shakespeare in Schools' festival with Year 6, during the Autumn Term. It is School Policy that all children are required to take part in these productions.

Individual LAMDA lessons are available on request; please contact drama@warminsterschool.org.uk for more details

Forest School

Warminster School are fortunate to have access to an area of woodland on the Longleat Estate where we hold our forest school. At various stages of each term, we support the curriculum with outdoor learning.

Music

Warminster Prep provides musical opportunities to all pupils. Singing plays a big part in the life of the School and most drama productions are musicals. The Prep Choir practices regularly and performs at various school events including the Carol Service, which takes place in The Minster Church, towards the end of the Autumn Term. All children in Years 2 - 6 are expected to attend and it is hoped that many parents, grandparents, uncles, aunts etc. will also attend. It is one of the major school events of the year.

We also have a Pre-Prep Choir and Chamber Choir that meet on a weekly basis, as well as an orchestra, string orchestra and wind band. Pupils are encouraged to learn to play an instrument and booking forms are available from the School Office. Lessons are charged at a termly rate and pupils are withdrawn from class on a rotational basis. Individual lessons and shared lessons are occasionally available for younger pupils. Some musical instruments may be hired. It is important to note that a term's notice is required if you wish your child to give up music lessons.

Sport

The School believes in the importance of both individual and team sport and pupils benefit from specialist coaching in a variety of sports throughout the Prep School. It is a policy that all children should have the opportunity to represent the School in external competitions or inter-school fixtures.

The main sports are:

	<u>Winter Term</u>	<u>Spring Term</u>	<u>Summer Term</u>
Boys	Rugby	Hockey	Cricket
Girls	Hockey	Netball	Cricket
All	Cross-country	Cross-Country	Tennis, Athletics & Swimming

In addition, Year 3 continue with weekly swimming lessons every Tuesday at Kingdown Leisure Centre throughout the year.

Details of fixtures are listed in the School Calendar with updates on any changes or additions published in the weekly Newsletter. Further information, including timings and Team Sheets is available through <http://www.warminsterschoolsport.org.uk/>, via the School Website. Unless there are exceptional circumstances, all pupils are expected to participate in midweek and Saturday fixtures.

Children usually travel to sports fixtures in a minibus or coach. Occasionally they may travel in a member of staff's car. Unless we receive permission from parents, we are unable to allow children to travel with other parents.

If fixtures are cancelled, we will contact you to let you know. This will be by email.

Trips

A number of trips, linked with the curriculum, are organised throughout the year and parents are encouraged to sign a general trip permission form. Information regarding the details of the trip, including transport arrangements and costs are always sent out in advance.

Residential Trips

We start to build the children's confidence in staying away from home with a number of highly enjoyable residential trips.

Years 3 and 4 travel on alternate years to Hooke Court, where they stay for two nights and take part in a wide variety of History based activities; and The Wilderness Centre for a two night outdoor activity trip.

Year 5 attend an outdoor bushcraft trip for three days. They build shelters, learn to light fires and cook over them.

Year 6 visit a chateau in France for five days, where they take part in a variety of linguistic and historic activities, including visiting the D-day Beaches, French Markets and towns.

Warminster Award Scheme (WAS)

Across Years 5 – 8, pupils take part in the Warminster Award scheme which encourages the development of the whole child and enables them to achieve their full potential by recognising their own milestones in relation to specific learning dispositions. Pupils work towards achieving the Bronze Award in Year 5, Silver in Year 6 and continue onto their Gold in Year 7.

Clubs

Clubs run between 4.00pm and 4.45pm, Monday - Friday. Activities are published for the children each term and they choose activities on a term-to-term basis. Day pupils may opt for supervised prep in place of an activity. Certain activities, for example, Judo, Ballet, Fencing and Tennis incur a charge. Please see **Additional Information** for further details of clubs that may be on offer. Games lessons finishing at 4.45pm once a week, are compulsory for Years 5 & 6.

COMMUNICATION WITH PARENTS

Open Door Policy

Warminster Prep recognises the importance of the link between home and school and the need for effective communication between the two. To this end, the Head of Prep and his staff operate an 'open door' policy: parents are able to talk to staff by appointment whenever the need arises. The best way to contact any member of staff is via the school e-mail. The address will be the initialsurname@warminsterschool.org.uk i.e. ptitley@warminsterschool.org.uk.

Contact Details

There may be times when the School needs to contact you, therefore it is essential that we hold up-to-date contact information at all times. Please do inform the office of any changes in your details.

Parent Portal

The iSAMS Parent Portal is a secure on-line system available to parents and guardians of all current pupils, which allows them to access school information including that relating to their son or daughter's academic record. All new parents will be sent their own individual registration numbers and passwords to activate their accounts.

If you have a problem accessing the Parent Portal please contact the School Administrator: isams.support@warminsterschool.org.uk.

E-mail/Parent Mail

All written School communication, including information about forthcoming events is emailed out via iSAMS, our database system. Please make sure that an up-to-date email address is held by the Office.

Calendar

A termly calendar of events is available on the School Website, as well as the **Parent Portal**, which is updated regularly.

Newsletters

Each Friday, a weekly Newsletter celebrating the children's achievements and providing important information for parents is published and sent out via email. This contains all you need to know for the following week and is an essential reference tool. In addition, you will receive regular communication direct from the classroom in the form of class letters and newsletters.

Website

The School Website can be found at www.warminsterschool.org.uk. We endeavor to keep the website up-to-date and to publish news of recent and forthcoming events. The website also contains copies of relevant school policies and documents, as well as links to the Parent Portal, Flickr, Vimeo and the School's Twitter Accounts.

Parents' Evenings

Parents of pupils are invited to Parents' Evenings during the Autumn and Spring Terms. Parents' Evenings are an opportunity for you to meet the staff who teach your child. A timetable will be issued before the date of the Parents' Evening and you are asked to stick closely to that timetable. Parents are also encouraged to contact the School whenever you have a query about your child's academic or pastoral progress.

Photography

We often take photographs of children while they are undertaking activities around the School or on school trips. These photographs may be displayed around the school, on the School Website or posted through the School's social media accounts. Please inform the School Office, in writing, if you are unwilling for your child's photograph to appear in this manner. Children's full names will never appear in conjunction with a photograph.

Professional photographs of School activities and events etc. are currently taken by David Wiltshire photographers. They are available for parents to download from Flickr, via the School Website.

Concerns or Complaints

Warminster is a very friendly school and we pride ourselves on the highly positive relationships we enjoy with our parent body. The Head of Prep is available to talk to every morning and we always aim to deal with matters arising in a swift and sensitive manner.

In the event of a concern, the first thing to do is to speak with an appropriate member of staff such as your child's tutor. All members of staff, including the Head of Prep, are available for meetings. Please telephone the Office to make an appointment with the Head of Prep or email the staff member directly (initialsurname@warminsterschool.org.uk).

If issues are not dealt with to your satisfaction, then you are entitled to make a formal written complaint, if you feel this would help, as outlined below:

- (a) You should write to the Head of Prep, stating the nature of the complaint, and what action has been taken already.
- (b) The Head of Prep will acknowledge this and indicate what steps he will take to deal with this matter.
- (c) As soon as possible, the Head of Prep will see you, to enable you to discuss the matter further and to explore what courses of action are appropriate.

If you still feel the matter has not been satisfactorily resolved, you may wish to write to the Headmaster of Warminster School or the Chair of Governors.

WSPA

The WSPA is the organisation of Warminster School parents in both the Prep and Senior Schools, with designated Prep representatives. The function of the WSPA is to organise social and fundraising events, the profits from which serve to benefit pupils throughout the whole School. The WSPA organises a number of social events, most notably the Ball for parents and staff usually held on the last Saturday of the Summer Term. Notification of all WSPA events is circulated by email by the WSPA Committee.

The WSPA are always keen to welcome new members and to have as many members as possible at the Annual General Meeting. Please contact the School Office if you would like more information. You will find a £10 optional donation to WSPA on your school bill. It is very much appreciated if parents feel able to include this sum in their payment.

MISCELLANEOUS

Fees and Notice of Withdrawal

The fees stated on the website include all tuition, books, equipment and lunches.

Fees are fixed for the academic year and details of fees are sent home the previous May. Governors do all they can to keep fee increases to a minimum, whilst at the same time being conscious of the need to maintain quality and allow the School to continue to develop.

Extras, which include individual music tuition, outings and small essential items are charged separately and are listed under the appropriate paragraph headings.

In the event of withdrawal, a term's notice must be given to the Head of Prep in writing. Failure to do this will incur a term's fees paid in lieu of such notice.

An administration fee of £100.00 is payable on registration. A deposit/guarantee fee of £500.00, which is credited to the final account, is payable on acceptance of a place. This fee is non-refundable if the place is not subsequently taken up.

Uniform

Please see **Additional Documents** for uniform lists. Details of uniform requirements can also be found on the website of our online provider, SchoolBlazer.com. The WSPA operate a second hand uniform shop, again, details can be found under **Additional Documents**.

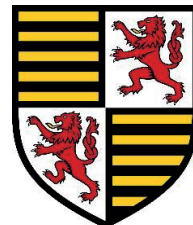
Pupils may use the tennis court, field or Astroturf during break times. It is advisable that wellingtons are kept in school at all times.

All items of clothing and footwear must be named. SchoolBlazer offer a naming service. Please also make sure that all other items brought into School (watches etc.) are **clearly marked**.

The Next Step

At the end of Year 6, pupils move on to Year 7 at Warminster School. Our aim is to make this transition as smooth as possible; this is facilitated in a number of ways. Throughout their time in Prep, pupils will benefit from sharing Senior School facilities and will be taught by staff who teach across the whole school. Various formal and informal events take place so that Prep pupils have the opportunity to meet key Senior School staff. Year 6 and 7 tutors also meet to discuss the pastoral needs of every child.

Additional Documents



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School Bus Routes & Timetables
for the academic year September 2019
(routes and prices may be subject to change)

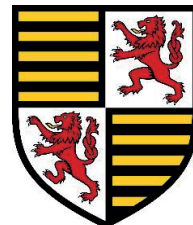
PICK-UP/RETURN POINT		DEPART	RETURN	FARE PER TERM
		AM	PM	
ROUTE A (Operated by Prestige)				£
Hilperton	The Mead Primary School	0740	1758	375
Hilperton	Victoria Road bus stop	0743	1755	375
Beckington	Bus stop	0755	-	323
Frome	The Artisan Pub	0805	1730	300
Frome	Portway	0810	1725	300
Frome	Styles Hill	0815	1720	300
Warminster School		0825	1710	
ROUTE B (Operated by School)				
Corsham	Main car park	0710	1800	460
Melksham	Town Centre	0740	1748	445
Steeple Ashton	Longs Arms	0758	1740	310
Bratton	The Duke Pub	0807	1730	268
Westbury Leigh	Gooselands	0816	1720	240
Warminster School		0825	1710	
ROUTE C (Operated by Beeline)				£
Seend	Cleeve bus stop	0725		448
Caen Hill	Bus Stop	0730		448
Rowde	Bus Stop on A342	0733	1805	448
Devizes	The Green	0740	1800	448
Devizes	Wick Lane	0742	1756	448
Potterne	High Street	0745	1748	448
Worton	Village Hall	0752	1738	448
Warminster School		0825	1710	

PICK-UP/RETURN POINT		DEPART	RETURN	FARE PER TERM
ROUTE D (Operated by Beeline)				
Urchfont	Opposite Hags lane	0740	1750	423
Eastcott	Bus stop	0742	1748	416
Market Lavington	G P Surgery	0744	1742	416
Market Lavington	Drummer Boy pub	0746	1740	406
West Lavington	Crossroads	0751	1735	388
Great Cheverell	Holy Trinity school bus stop	0755	1730	372
Edington	Old School bus stop	0807	1720	286
Warminster School		0825	1710	
ROUTE E (Operated by Beeline)				
Pewsey	North St Car Park	0725	1810	488
Pewsey	Manningford Bohune A345	0727	1809	480
Woodbridge Pub	Left R/A/Bout bus stop	0728	1807	460
Upavon	The ship bus stop	0730	1805	454
Enford	Bus stop	0735	1800	449
Netheravon	Old PO Lane	0738	1758	420
Figheldean	A345 Bus stop	0742	1754	418
Durrington	Roundabout	0745	1750	415
Shrewton	Village school bus stop	0800	1735	318
Chitterne	Village Hall	0807	1728	274
Warminster School		0825	1710	
ROUTE F (Operated by Beeline)				
Salisbury	Coach Park	0730	1754	394
Salisbury	Old Police Station	0735	1749	394
Wilton	Bus Stop	0739	1745	373
Stoford	Swan Inn	0744	1740	338
Steeple Langford	The Pelican pub	0747	1737	310
Deptford	Bus Stop	0754	1729	305
Codford St Mary	Bus Stop	0758	1725	267
Codford Cherry Orchard	Bus stop	0759	1725	267
Codford St Peter	Bus Stop	0800	1724	267
Codford Corton	Bus stop	0802	1723	267
Warminster School		0815	1710	
ROUTE G (Operated by Beeline)				
Tisbury	Market Place	0745	1753	426
Fonthill Gifford	Beckford Arms	0748	1750	400
Hindon	Hill Terrace	0753	1745	363
Hindon	Grosvenor Arms	0755	1743	363
East Knoyle	Post Office	0805	1736	363
Longbridge Deverill	Layby	0816	1723	199
Warminster School		0825	1710	199

PICK-UP/RETURN POINT		DEPART	RETURN	FARE PER TERM
		AM	PM	
ROUTE H (Operated by Warminster School)				
Anna Valley	Foundry Road	0725	1755	475
Wyevale Garden Centre		0730	1755	475
Thruyton	Stanbury Road	0715	1745	450
A338/A303 Parkhouse Motel Roundabout	Michael's Wood Burial Ground	0740	1740	425
Warminster School		0820	1710	

Please note: Please ensure that your child is at the pick-up point in the morning in good time, as the bus will not wait for late arrivals. Several of the stopping points, though safe for a short halt, would cause serious inconvenience to other road users if the bus waited for more than the minimum time.

Siblings will be charged 75% of the above costs; regular one-way trips will be charged at 60%.

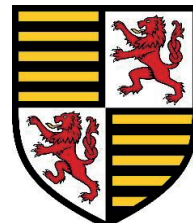


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Warminster Prep Code of Conduct

School rules are set out in line with Warminster School's ethos and aim to fulfil the Statement of Intent. They are designed to reflect common sense and common courtesy and we try to involve pupils in the creation of guidelines as much as possible. Everyone is encouraged to avoid inconvenience to others, ensure common safety and to foster a communal sense of pride. We expect pupils at all times behave in a responsible manner, showing courtesy, consideration and respect for other people and their property, and for the fabric and environment of the school.

- 1 Do always treat other people the way you would expect to be treated yourself.
- 2 Do respect other people's property and look after your own property. Property should not be borrowed without permission.
- 3 Do behave in a manner that will enhance rather than harm the reputation of the school.
- 4 Do walk in the corridors – if you run, you or someone else may get hurt.
- 5 Do not leave the site during the school day unless the Head of Key Stage Two or Head of Prep has granted permission and you are accompanied by a responsible adult.
- 6 Do arrive and depart from school wearing school uniform unless told otherwise.
- 7 Do not bring chewing gum or sweets into school, unless requested by staff (Christmas party etc.)
- 8 Do not bring money into school, unless it is requested by staff.
- 9 Do hand any medication into the Office or to Matron. Please do not keep it in classrooms.
- 10 Day children should not bring items such as toys, iPods or computer games into the school. Children are strongly discouraged from bringing valuables into school. Any that are brought to school must be clearly named, left in the Office until required and remain the responsibility of the child concerned.
- 11 Bicycles should not be brought to school unless you have requested for your child to ride and this has been acknowledged by the office or your child is taking part in a specific cycling activity
- 12 Do not buy, sell or swap personal property on the School site.
- 13 Jewellery, other than a watch should not be worn. Watches must be named. Earrings for Girls only, must be studs.
- 14 No make-up is allowed.
- 15 Girls' hair is to be tied back if it sits on or below the shoulder. Hair fasteners (bobbles, slides etc.) must be plain black or navy blue. Boys' hairstyles are to be of a sensible cut, hair out of eyes and off the collar.
- 16 All items of personal property must be clearly named. The School cannot be held responsible for any item, which is lost in school if it is not clearly marked.



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Warminster Prep Examples of Clubs 2019

Please note that this list is not exhaustive and not all clubs will be available each term.

- Please take the time to select clubs that both you and your children are happy with as we actively discourage switching clubs half way through the term.
- We will assign children to clubs during the first week of term.
- The notes below give a brief description of each club; further advice can be given on request.
- If a club is oversubscribed, we will endeavour to offer the experience to all who wish to take part, however this cannot be guaranteed.
- Pupils will not be selected for a club on a first come first served basis.
- Most clubs start at 16:00 and finish at 16:45 unless otherwise stated.
- Sign out will be from outside of the main reception area or for Year 2 pupils, Pre-Prep late care.
- All clubs offered by Warminster Prep staff are free.
- A club offered by an outside provider may incur a charge; these are outlined in the notes below.

Art Club – Your chance to be creative and learn new artistic skills along the way.

Aquathlon Club – A run followed by a swim in the school pool. Children choosing this club will return to the Prep School at 17:00 so it will not be suitable for those wishing to catch the school bus.

Ballet - Classes to suit all ages and abilities. Free taster lesson. Years 1, 2 & 3 collection from the Prep Hall. This club is run by an outside provider and therefore a charge applies, further information is available from the School Office.

Big Draw Club – Working together to produce big artwork on big paper.

Book Club – Enjoy exploring and sharing books in our School Library.

Chamber Choir - An opportunity for selected children to sing in more than one part, enter competitions and explore a more challenging repertoire.

Chess and Draughts Club – Learn to play or extend your skills.

DT Construction Club – There are no limits to what you can create using your imagination and a glue gun.

First-Aid Club – Gain practical, teamwork and leadership skills whilst learning first-aid with Mrs Cambridge-King.

Fitness Fun Club – Join Mrs Gairdner and Miss K and improve your strength and fitness through some fun games and activities.

Football Club – Skills and drills. Two clubs for different age groups.

Forest School Club – Fun in the forest with a variety of forest school activities. You will spend time in either Clear Wood or Twiggy Wood. Children will return to school at 17:30 so this will not be suitable for those wishing to catch the school bus.

Friendship Bands – A craft club with Mrs Glenny to make friendship bands and/or paracord bracelets.

Games and Puzzles – Board games, card games, puzzles and more.

Girls' Rugby – Training sessions, just for girls, with a specialist rugby coach, supported by Miss K.

Judo – Classes to suit all ages and abilities. Collection from the Prep School hall. This club is run by an outside provider and therefore a charge applies; further information is available from the School Office.

Prep Club – An opportunity to complete your homework.

Language Games (French, German or Spanish) – Develop your language skills through fun games and activities.

Mathletics Club – Engaging online maths games played against yourself or played live against other children around the world.

Multi-Sports Club – Take part in a variety of sports to improve your fitness and teamwork.

Outdoor Games – Taking advantage of the sunny weather, you'll have the chance to take part in a variety of fun outdoor games and activities with Miss K. and Mr Chapman.

Play Props – A chance for Year 5 and 6 to help produce the props and staging for their forthcoming production.

Production Rehearsals – Compulsory club for children in preparation for forthcoming productions.

Sewing Club – Improve your sewing skills as you make something creative.

STEM Club – Join for some exciting science, technology, engineering and maths. Experiments, exploration and more.

Street Dance – Be a part of the Warminster Prep Street Dance Crew. £35 per term.

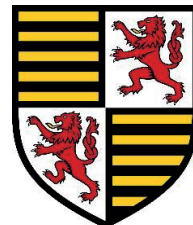
String Orchestra - All children who play an appropriate instrument for this club, have lessons in school and are working towards their first exam are expected to attend.

Tennis Club – Develop those tennis skills and improve your game play.

This club is run by an outside provider and therefore a charge applies. Further information is available from the School Office. This club has a different focus to individual lessons and is offered in addition to them.

Touch Typing - Touch Typing develops typing skills using a fun and progressive programme called Nessy Fingers. There is the chance to work on basic skills, games and challenges and achieving certificates on the way.

Wind Band - All children who have lessons in School on an appropriate instrument for this club and are working towards their first exam are expected to attend.



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DATES OF TERMS 2019-2020

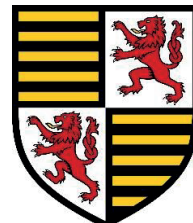
<u>Autumn 2019</u>	Staff Inset	Monday 2 September
	Boarders return	Tuesday 3 September
	Day pupils return	Wednesday 4 September
	1 st Quiet weekend	Fri-Sun 27-29 September
	Half Term begins	Friday 18 October
	Boarders return	Sunday 3 November
	Day pupils return	Monday 4 November
	2 nd Quiet weekend	Fri-Sun 22 - 24 November
	Term Ends	Friday 13 December
<u>Spring 2020</u>	Staff Inset	Friday 3 January
	Boarders return	Sunday 5 January
	Day pupils return	Monday 6 January
	Quiet weekend	Fri-Sun 24-26 January
	Half Term begins	Friday 14 February
	Boarders return	Sunday 23 February
	Day pupils return	Monday 24 February
	Term Ends	Friday 27 March
<u>Summer 2020</u>	Staff Inset	Monday 20 April
	Boarders return	Monday 20 April
	Day pupils return	Tuesday 21 April
	Quiet weekend	Thurs-Mon 7 - 10 May*
	Boarders return	Sunday 10 May
	Day Pupils return	Monday 11 May
	Prep Half Term	Friday 22 May
	Speech Day/Senior	
	School Half Term	Saturday 23 May
	Boarders return	Sunday 31 May
	Day pupils return	Monday 1 June
	Term Ends	Friday 3 July
<u>Autumn 2020</u> (Provisional)	Staff Inset	1-2 September
	Boarders Return	2 September
	Day pupils Return	3 September

Please Note: School ends at 4.45pm for Prep Pupils on all Quiet Weekends, and 3.45pm on Half Terms and End of Terms; buses at 4.00pm

On Speech Day, senior pupils will be allowed to leave for Half Term after 1.30pm.

Prep pupils are not required to attend Speech Day and Half Term for them begins on Friday 22 May at 4.45pm; buses at 5.00pm

*This is a change to previous bank holiday weekends with school ending at 4.45pm on Thursday 7 May.

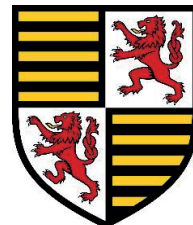


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Expectations of Pupils

At all times pupils expected to:

1. Meet the School's expectations listed here.
2. Give 100 per cent to all areas of school life: in the classroom, homework, in house, in the co-curricular.
3. Be bold, open-minded, willing to step out of your comfort zone and think 'why not you?'
4. Respect others and to be polite, kind and considerate.
5. Follow the school rules. For example:
 - a. *No mobile phone or headphones to be used other than in designated areas.*
 - b. *No chewing gum on the school site.*
 - c. *No dropping of litter (and pick up litter you see)*
 - d. *Only cross the road at the traffic lights*
6. Be punctual, smart in appearance and ready to learn in every lesson. To take responsibility for your own learning.
7. Never be a bystander. If you see something wrong, do something about it.
8. Voice concerns in a timely and appropriate way, e.g. to school or house prefects, teachers or tutors
9. Act with integrity and moral courage.
10. Act as role models and ambassadors for the School.



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FEES AND OTHER CHARGES 2019 - 2020

- I. **FEES** – Fees are charged as an annual payment for an academic year's course. For ease of payment, they are divided into three tranches paid termly in advance.

PREP SCHOOL FORM / YEAR	DAY (1/3 of annual fees – i.e. fees per term)	BOARDING (1/3 of annual fees – i.e. fees per term)
Courtyard Nursery	Variable (tba)	n/a
Reception	£2,650	n/a
Year 1 and Year 2	£2,865	n/a
Year 3	£3,385	£7,490
Year 4	£3,775	£7,490
Year 5 and Year 6	£4,240	£7,490

SENIOR SCHOOL FORM / YEAR	DAY (1/3 of annual fees i.e. fees per term)	BOARDING (1/3 of annual fees i.e. fees per term)
Years 7 to 11	£5,310	£10,600
Accelerated GCSE programme (1 year)	£5,310	£11,315
6th Form A Level	£5,310	£10,600
6th Form International Baccalaureate	£5,310	£11,315

- Monthly payments may be arranged through School Fee Plan
- There is a reduction in fees of 5% for younger children in the same family
- Flexible boarding (as available): £50.00 per night
- Pupil Personal Accident Insurance up to £1M included in the fees
- Denplan for Schools (pupils) up to £10,000 included in the fees

2. DEPOSIT/GUARANTEE FEE

- a) A deposit/guarantee fee is payable on acceptance of a place.
- b) The amount of the deposit/guarantee fee will be advised when an offer of a place is made.
 - i. Deposit/Guarantee fees are not refundable if an accepted place is not subsequently taken up.
 - ii. The Deposit/Guarantee fee will be returned when the pupil leaves the School, less any extras incurred during the final term.

3. LEARNING SUPPORT

- a) All lessons are 1 hour long and charged at £42 per hour for individual lessons and £26 per hour for larger group lessons.
- b) If a Learning Support Assessment is required, there will be a charge of £130.
- c) The School cannot guarantee the provision of more than five lessons of one-to-one learning support per fortnight. It will depend annually on the number of pupils requiring learning support (and the amount required) and the consequent capacity of the LS department. Each request for this level of one-to-one support will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis.

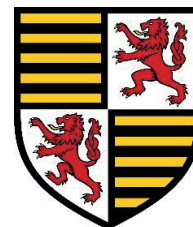
4. ENGLISH AS AN ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE

- a) All lessons are 1 hour long

One lesson per 2 weeks	£240 per term
Two lessons per 2 weeks	£425 per term
Three lessons per 2 weeks	£580 per term
Four lessons per 2 weeks	£740 per term
Five lessons per 2 weeks	£870 per term
More than five lessons per 2 weeks	£1,010 per term

5. EXTRAS

- a) GCSE, International Baccalaureate, A-level, music and other external examination entry fees
- b) Pupil Organisers, Art & DT materials and revision workbooks
- c) Optional extras: these items are charged in arrears:
 - i) Music lessons - £21.50 per lesson for individual lessons; £11.50 per lesson for shared lessons
 - ii) Please note that no part of the fees can be refunded for missed lessons
 - iii) School musical instruments – hire charge is £35.00 per term
- d) Warminster School Parents Association (WSPA) - £10 per term (optional)
- e) **Boarders only:-**
 - i) Insurance of Personal Effects £10 per term (optional) in 2018-19 (to be advised)
 - ii) Outings



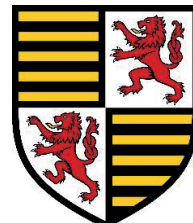
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COURTYARD NURSERY FEES

The Courtyard Nursery is an integral part of Warminster School and we are very proud of its success. All our nursery staff are well-qualified and extremely experienced practitioners, who offer the children the best possible start to their school careers. The children also benefit from a broad range of experiences led by specialist staff, including Music, PE and Forest School. In addition, they have access to all the facilities offered at the Prep School which include the use of specialist teaching areas, play equipment and our extensive grounds.

<u>Session</u>	<u>Timings</u>	<u>Price</u>
Early Birds Club	8.00am – 8.30am	£1
Morning session	8.30am – 12.00am	£17.50
Lunch (includes a hot meal)	12.00pm – 1.00pm	£5
Afternoon session	1.00pm – 3.30pm	£12.50
After School Club	3.30pm – 5.15pm	£5

Please be aware that should you choose to send your child to the Courtyard Nursery **only** for their fifteen free entitlement hours, these will need to be taken between 9.00am and 12noon each morning.



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Dear Parent/Guardian

Information regarding the School Medical Centre

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome your child to the School and hope that they arrive in good health and remain so throughout their school years. Being an Independent School, we do not receive the same funding and support as that of the state schools, but we aim to offer an equal, if not improved, service with regard to our health care within the School. We have the advantage, unlike many mainstream schools, in that we have two full time Registered Nurses on site; and a close working relationship with staff, pupils and parents can hopefully be achieved.

School Medical Team - Nurses are available 0830-1730hrs on weekdays

Samantha Young (School Nurse) - Main responsibility for the Senior School. Lives on site and can be contacted for advice by staff at all times and will visit pupils as required out of hours.

Tel: 01985 210139 email: medcentre@warminsterschool.org.uk

Trish Cambridge-King (School Nurse) - Main responsibility for the Prep School

Tel: 01985 224806 email: pcambridge-king@warminsterschool.org.uk

School Medical Practice - Avenue Surgery, Warminster, Wiltshire BA12 9AA

Dr Caroline Wingfield - Monday clinic at school from 1600hrs. The School Clinic is mainly for the boarding pupils, however day pupils can be seen in certain circumstances.

Medical History Forms

In order that we can provide the best care for your child, it is essential that we have a full and comprehensive medical history regarding your child. To assist with this, please complete the attached form, ensuring that you enter dates where possible and clearly delete any article you do not agree with.

Boarding pupils

Please can you forward your child's UK NHS Medical Card with the Medical History so that the Avenue Surgery can request your child's medical records as soon as possible.

All new boarders, resident for more than one term, will be registered with the Avenue Surgery, so that they can receive full medical care whilst at school. Boarders will be offered a medical interview/examination with the School Nurses during their first term.

If your child is seen by a doctor during the school holidays, he/she should register as a temporary resident. If your child receives medical treatment whilst at home, please inform the School Nursing Team so that your child's medical records can be updated and any ongoing therapy maintained.

If you wish your child to register with an alternative doctor, please note that arrangement of appointments would remain a parental responsibility.

Consent Form

The parental consent page enables us to provide routine care for your child and to act immediately in an emergency. We will always attempt to inform the parents/guardian at the earliest opportunity regarding any

significant injury or emergency situation. Information provided in this form will be shared with the academic staff if the School Nurse feels that failure to do so could harm the welfare of the child concerned. It is important that chronic medical conditions, allergies and any other health concerns that may cause issues for the child whilst in school are shared with the academic staff so they can actively support the child and provide appropriate care as needed.

For boarding pupils these forms are photocopied and a copy is kept within the relevant house. This is for emergency purposes as the form provides essential medical information and written parental consent that may be required by other medical professionals if emergency care is required outside of normal school hours. It is essential that we have parental consent for all boarders as their day to day care would be very difficult if we had to contact parents regarding every minor health issue.

The School Nurses are bound by their Professional Code of Conduct and must provide treatment and confidentiality accordingly. They will always encourage the children to share any medical concerns with their parents but their first duty of care is to maintain the confidentiality of their patient, unless they feel to do so is placing the child at risk.

If you do not wish to give written consent please can you annotate the form signifying that it is your personal choice to withhold consent and not an oversight.

Immunisations

All pupils must be vaccinated in accordance with the UK immunisation schedule which is available on the following website

www.nhs.uk/Conditions/vaccinations/Pages/vaccination-schedule-age-checklist.aspx.

Please be aware that if your child is not immunised in accordance with the UK schedule they will be regarded as unimmunised against certain infections and therefore at risk of infection. If there is an outbreak of an infectious disease in the school your child will be sent to their guardians immediately in order to protect them from infection.

Please ensure that the vaccination history is completed with dates of all vaccinations.

Health surveillance

At any time during your child's school years the School Nurses and, if necessary, the School Doctor can see you and your child if:

- you are worried
- your child's teacher is worried

All children should have annual dental and vision checks with their own practitioners. However during your child's school years he/she may have their height, weight, vision and hearing checked, if permission is given. These checks are initially performed on school entry, and may be repeated in later years if indicated.

Medication

If prescribed medication is necessary during the day, please bring it to the School Office where you will be required to complete an authorisation form. Prescribed medication must be in the original packaging with the child's name and must have the accompanying patient information sheet if available. Medication for boarding pupils prescribed by the doctor will be administered accordingly.

The School can provide suitable medication for your child for common complaints, however, if you wish to send in over the counter medicines or homely remedies you will be required to complete an authorisation form. The medicines must be in their original packaging and clearly labelled with the name of the child. All medication will be kept and administered to the individual child by the School Nurse/House Staff.

What about problems?

If you would like to discuss any problems relating to your child's health with the School Nurse, please contact her to arrange an appointment.

Should your child develop a health problem during their attendance at the School, please ensure that the School Nurse is informed, she will then be able to liaise with you, your child and the staff concerned to ensure that your child receives the best possible care and attention.

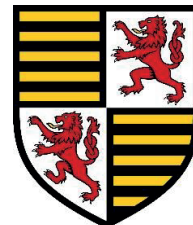
Please retain this letter for future reference.

Please contact me if you have any concerns.

Yours sincerely

Mrs T Cambridge-King RGN
Prep School Nurse
Tel. 01985 224806
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Warminster Prep Staff List



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c/o Katie Mines

Bursar and Clerk to the Governors

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Teaching Assistants

Graduate Assistants

Name	Name
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Sue Hewitt	Lucy Hawkins
Anna Mercer	
Gillian Smith	

Boarding

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Head of Prep's PA & Admin Support

Sarah Belbin

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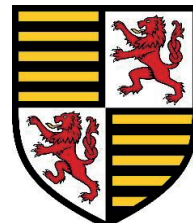
sbelbin@warminsterschool.org.uk

School Nurse

Patricia Cambridge-King

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SCHOOL COMMUNICATION



There are many ways to keep up to date with our vibrant community. **ISAMS** messages, **Heads-Up** and via social media.

We have almost 60 Warminster Twitter accounts, the content is fantastic and varied, showing what a fun and lively community we have. They provide snippets of daily life at Warminster. Most Departments and boarding houses have a twitter account.

A few accounts to follow to get you started:

Follow the School @Warminster1707

Follow Prep @WarminsterPrep

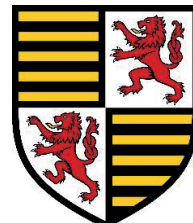
Follow Sport @WarminsterSport

Follow Music @warminstermusic



The School's newsletter, **Heads-Up!** is a roundup of the previous two weeks of life at Warminster and the Head's view on events or topical issues. Distribution takes place on a Friday late afternoon/evening. Please sign up to receive via our website - <https://www.warminsterschool.org.uk/welcome/headmasters-introduction/heads-up>

If you have any queries regarding communication at Warminster, please contact Emma Brumby, Head of Communications ebrumby@warminsterschool.org.uk.



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Warminster Prep Timings of the School Day

(For Pre-Prep please see the relevant section in the Handbook)

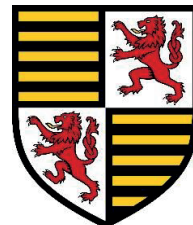
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08.15 – 08:30	Arrive at School
08.30 – 08.40	Registration/Tutor Time
08.40 – 09.05	Assembly (Mon, Tue & Friday) / PSHE (Wed) / Reading Partners (Thurs)
09.05 – 10:15	Lesson 1
10.15 – 10.40	Morning Break
10.45 – 11.45	Lesson 2
11.45 – 12.45	Lesson 3
12.45 – 13.40	Lunch Break
13.45 - 14.45	Lesson 4
14.45 – 15.45	Lesson 5
15.45 – 16.00	Sign Out or Break (see note ¹ below)
16.00 – 16.45	Clubs
16.45 - 17.00	Sign Out (see note ² below)

¹ Day pupils may elect to sign out and return home at 15.45 if they wish, or stay at school for supervised prep or clubs. All members of Years 5 & 6 are expected to stay for games on Friday.

² Bus pupils will be escorted to their appropriate bus. All other day pupils should remain with the member of staff on signing out duty and await collection by their parents by 17.00, unless the extended day facility has been booked. All pupils must inform the Duty Teacher when their parents arrive.

Any day pupils still on the premises at 17.30 will join the boarders for supper, for which a charge is made. They will follow the boarders' routine until they are collected.



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Year 3 - 6 Uniform List

All items must be clearly and securely named

Boarders	Boys	Girls
1	Crested Blazer*	Crested Blazer*
4	Striped Shirt* (long or short sleeved)	Striped Blouse*
1	Tie*	<i>Navy Hairband/Ties (if required)</i>
2	Charcoal Grey Trousers/Shorts	Navy Pinafore* or Grey tailored trousers* (Navy Kilt* Yr 6 only-optional)
2	Either Navy Crested Pullover* or Navy Crested Sleeveless Pullover*	Either Navy Crested Pullover* or Navy Crested Sleeveless Pullover*
6	Grey Socks	Navy Knee Length Socks/Navy Tights
1	<i>Black Shoes</i>	<i>Black/Navy Shoes</i>
1	Navy Waterproof Coat*/Cagoule* (either)	Navy Waterproof Coat*/Cagoule* (either)
1	School Scarf *- optional	School Scarf *- optional
1	Navy Gloves – optional	Navy Gloves – optional
1	Games Bag*	Games Bag*
2	Navy/Yellow Reversible Rugby Shirt*	Navy/Yellow Polo Shirt*
2	Navy/Yellow Polo Shirt for Hockey*	Navy/Yellow Skort*
2	Navy Rugby Shorts*	Navy Base Layer* (optional but recommended)
2	Navy Base Layer* (optional but recommended)	White/Navy Polo Shirt*
2	Navy and Gold Knee Length Games Socks*	Navy and Gold Knee Length Games Socks*
2	White/Navy Polo Shirt with Logo*	White Ankle/Sports Socks
2	White Games Shorts*	
2	White Ankle/Sports Socks	
1	Tracksuit Top*	Tracksuit Top*
1	Navy/White piping Training Pant*	Navy/White piping Tracksuit Bottoms*
1	Navy Crested Hoodie* (optional)	Navy Crested Hoodie* (optional)
2	<i>Trainers</i>	<i>Trainers</i>
1	<i>Rugby Boots or Football Boots with Rugby Studs</i>	
1	<i>Hockey Stick (Optional, Spring Term Only)</i>	<i>Hockey Stick (Optional, Winter Term Only)</i>
1	<i>Mouthguard</i>	<i>Mouthguard</i>
1	<i>Shinpads</i>	<i>Shinpads</i>
1	<i>Tennis Racket (For pupils having lessons only)</i>	<i>Tennis Racket (For pupils having lessons only)</i>
1	<i>Towel & Shower Gel</i>	<i>Towel & Shower Gel</i>
10	Nametapes	Additional Nametapes
1	School Bag (a small rucksack is preferable)	School Bag (a small rucksack is preferable)
	<u>SUMMER – ADDITIONAL</u>	<u>SUMMER – ADDITIONAL</u>
1	<i>School Cap (available through School)</i>	<i>School Cap (available through School)</i>
1	Navy Swimming Trunks*	Navy Swimming Costume*
1	<i>White Cricket Trousers (optional)</i>	<i>White Cricket Trousers (optional)</i>
2		<i>Summer Dress (optional) -Pale Blue/White Vertical Stripes to be worn with white ankle socks</i>

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Items marked * must be purchased via their website or from our second hand shop

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Pre-Prep Uniform List

All items must be clearly and securely named

Nursery	
Girls	Boys
School sweatshirt*	School sweatshirt*
White polo shirt with logo*	White polo shirt with logo*
Navy blue pinafore or <i>navy jogging bottoms</i>	Grey trousers/shorts or <i>navy jogging bottoms</i>
<i>House Cap (available from the WSPA School Shop)</i>	<i>House Cap (available from the WSPA School Shop)</i>
<i>Optional summer dress (pale blue and white vertical stripes) worn with white socks.</i>	
PE Kit: <i>White t-shirt, white shorts, trainers</i>	
NB: Shoes should not have open toes. No Crocs please.	
Reception, Year 1 and Year 2	
Girls	Boys
Blazer*	Blazer*
White polo shirt with logo*	White polo shirt with logo*
Navy blue pinafore or grey trousers	Grey trousers/shorts
School sweatshirt*	School sweatshirt*
Navy blue tights/three-quarter navy socks	Grey socks
<i>Black/blue school shoes (not lace up)</i>	<i>Black school shoes (not lace up)</i>
Navy blue waterproof coat with hood	Navy blue waterproof coat with hood
<i>House Cap (available from the WSPA School Shop)</i>	<i>House Cap (available from the WSPA School Shop)</i>
<i>Optional summer dress (pale blue and white vertical stripes) worn with white socks.</i>	
Reception and Year 1 Girls and Boys PE kit	
<i>White shorts, white socks, white t-shirt</i>	
<i>Navy blue track suit trousers</i>	
<i>White daps or trainers</i>	
Swimming Kit (Reception - Year 2):	
<i>Navy swimming costume and towel. Hat and/or goggles (optional)</i>	
NB: children in Pre-Prep also require a pair of wellies and a cagoule to keep in school.	

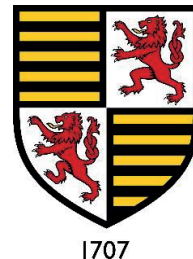
Year 2 Games kit	
Girls	Boys
Blue/Gold shirt*	Rugby shirt*
Skort*	Rugby shorts*
Hockey socks*	Rugby socks*
Full Tracksuit*	Full Tracksuit*
Hoody* (optional)	Hoody* (optional)
White/navy polo Shirt*	White/navy polo Shirt*
White Shorts	White Shorts
Large navy drawstring bag *	Navy/gold polo shirt* (from Jan for hockey)
<i>Trainers</i>	Large navy drawstring bag*
<i>Gum guard</i>	<i>Football boots (with rugby safety studs)</i>
<i>Shin pads</i>	<i>Trainers</i>
<i>Hockey stick (optional)</i>	<i>Gum guard (from Sept) & Shin Pads (from Jan)</i>
Base layer for arms and legs* (recommended)	Base layer for arms and legs* (recommended)

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Warminster School Parents Association

Second Hand Uniform Shop



Our second hand shop is located in 'The Crispin', which is to the rear of Ivy House garden, on Church Street. As well as second hand uniform and WSPA merchandise, we also stock toiletries and stationery, so if any boarders are running low they can pop in, and top up.

The opening times for the shop during term time are:

Monday: 8.30am – 9.30am

Wednesday: 3.45pm – 5.15pm

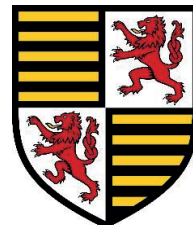
Friday: 1.00pm – 2.00pm

A wish-list service is available, so you can email us at thecrispin@warminsterschool.org.uk or call 01985 210158 with the items and sizes you need and we will let you know when appropriate stock comes in. We have a good quantity of stock but, as always, we would be grateful for more, either as a donation or on a 50/50 basis (you get 50% of the sale price of the item once sold, paid on a termly basis).

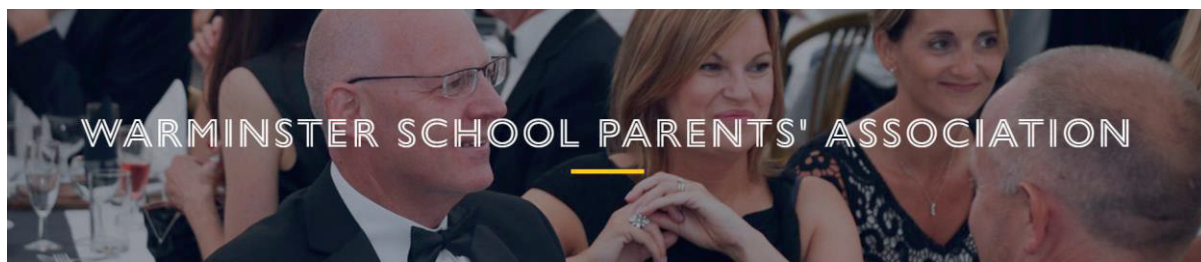
Over the summer break, we will be open during the following times:

- **Monday 15 July** 1.00pm – 4.00pm
- **Tuesday 20 August** 1.00pm – 4.00pm
- **Friday 23 August** 10.00am – 1.00pm
- **Thursday 29 August** 10.00am – 1.00pm
- **Tuesday 03 September** 12.00pm – 5.00pm

You are advised to contact us on the above email to check stock availability before making a special journey.



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Dear Parent

Warminster School Parents' Association

Welcome to Warminster School. It has been said that it takes a village to raise a child; and you have joined just that, a village, a community.

The Warminster School Parents' Association (WSPA) is nothing more than an extension of this community, consisting of a thriving collection of proactive, motivated and enthusiastic parents and staff who strive to raise funds for the 'bells and whistles' of all areas within the School. Those items which fall outside of the regular school budget, yet may create that little bit extra for the pupils, are funded by this hardworking and dedicated group. Over the years, the WSPA has purchased sports dugouts, African drums, seating areas, IPADS, tents, sofas, fencing equipment and a baby grand piano... just to name a few. Last summer, through some phenomenal parental support, we were thrilled to make a very sizable contribution to the Astroturf Refurbishment Project. The Committee works directly alongside all the various departments to enhance their ability to educate and enlighten our children.

The Committee raises funds through various activities. First, each family (one subscription per family) is automatically enrolled in a WSPA support scheme. You will find a contribution of £10 per term added to your school fees. This enrolment is purely voluntary and can be opted out of should you choose. It is this automatic enrolment that provides a good percentage of our fundraising and allows many parents to contribute should they not be available to attend and/or participate in our events; many of our overseas parents find this a way of feeling involved from afar. Next is the WSPA Second Hand Shop. The WSPA Shop allows parents and pupils to purchase gently worn, pre-owned uniform and games kit at a fraction of the price. The WSPA Shop also provides easy access for our boarding pupils who may otherwise struggle to obtain a required item. The WSPA Shop is located in the garden of Ivy House (boarding house for young ladies) and is operated by a dedicated group of volunteers who are on hand to assist with sizes, requirements and even wish lists if stock is not available. Operating hours are Monday 8.30am-9.30am, Wednesday 1pm-2pm and Friday 3.45pm-5.15pm throughout the academic year, with special days arranged during the summer holidays.

Finally, the WSPA hosts an assortment of fantastic events throughout the year which, not only bring in the vital funds to support so many creative ideas, but is also a wonderful way to bring our school community together for some relaxation and revelry. Events range from the Fireworks Festival, the Prep School Disco, Christmas Fayre, Christmas Dinner & Dance, Burns Night, Quiz Night to our end of year finale – the Summer Ball. The start of year coffee morning and new parents drinks evening allows many newcomers to meet and mingle with both existing parents and fellow new arrivals. You will find us at sporting festivals ensuring everyone has a proper seasonal cap. We will be at sports day providing respite from the elements with our gazebos. You may even find us pouring you a tipples at a Music or Drama evening.

The WSPA exists to bring that little bit extra to all of our children whilst providing an arena for our community to mix and mingle. In an effort to further promote a supportive community, the Committee operates a Parent Directory, which can be found on the School website. This idea came about a few years ago by a parent committee member who envisioned a community that expanded beyond the immediate school grounds and into our daily requirements. Within our own community, services can be found on the Directory ranging from B&B's, car servicing, stone masons, bakers, dog walkers and driving instructors.

The WSPA would like to once again welcome you to Warminster School. We look forward to seeing you at our events and would like to invite you to join us on the Committee, be it full-time, part-time or whenever you have some free time. Please feel free to join us at our AGM in September or at any of our regular meetings throughout the year (first Monday evening following the School return from half term/term breaks). You have made the decision to join an exciting and innovative school, come and see what else it has to offer.

Warmest regards

D Kennett

Debbie Kennett
WSPA Chairman

