St.Basil's

Catholic Primary School

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Safeguarding:

At St. Basil's Catholic Primary School we are committed to St Basils: providing a nurturing, caring and safe learning environment where pupils thrive, are confident, happy and secure. If you have any safeguarding concerns, then please speak to one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads.

For further information about Safeguarding at St Basils please see the following documents by either clicking the link or scanning the QR code;

Safeguarding Parents Leaflet

Child Friendly Leaflets

Designated Leads for Safeguarding at

Mrs Sheppard (HT)

Mrs O'Donnell (DHT)

Mrs Bond/Miss Yearley (Family Liaison & Welfare Officers)

Miss Abbott/Mrs Jones (SENCO)

Mrs McCabe (Attendance)

Mr Duffy (Pupil Welfare Governor)

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Attendance update

Please be aware that students who have an attendance of below 90% will not have their absences authorised unless medical evidence is provided.

You can view your child's absence record via the School Gateway App. You access this via the reporting tab and then Attendance, it will give you your child's attendance rating.

Thank you for your co-operation.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE (Colour coded in line with the traffic light system)

Week commencing 18.03.24

Well done to class 2LG with the highest rate of attendance!!





Easter activities in Halton

Visit https://ow.ly/mcm550QWNWa To find events in Runcorn and Widnes for kids, tweens & teens.



Easter holidays at Halton Libraries

Easter Events at Halton Libraries. Click the link to find our list of free, drop-in or bookable events over the Easter holidays at Halton Libraries.

April Events | Halton Libraries (haltonbc.info)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



School reopens on Tuesday 9th April.

Inset Day - Monday 8th April

School nurse drop in for Y6 & Reception height and weight - Thursday 11th April from 2pm

Thursday 18th April - Y4 Tattenhall Residential Trip
Please check for updates on future newsletters
Thank you!

School Meal Menu W/C 08.04.24 is Week 1













Family Learning



AVailability!

Family Learning have a new FREE 'hot off the press' accredited course for parents in 'Mental Health and Wellbeing Awareness OCN Level 1.' The course will be delivered at both Kingsway Learning Centre, Widnes and Acorn Learning Centre, Runcorn after Easter. Bus fares can be claimed by learners attending the course. This is a 4 week portfolio based course delivered face to face with accreditation at level 1. Please note that this course does not involve the children and there are no crèche facilities. It will run on:

Wednesdays from 24th April to 15th May at Acorn Learning Centre, 9.30 – 11.30 am

Thursdays from 25th April to 16th May at Kingsway Learning Centre, 9.30 – 11.30 am

Please contact the Adult Learning office on 0151 511 7788 or email adult.learning@halton.gov.uk or www.facebook.com/halton.adult.learning

Helpsheet



parents and carers: primary

8 steps to support your child to be safer online

- Explore together. Ask your child to show you their favourite websites and apps and what they do on them. Listen, show interest and encourage them to teach you the basics of the site or app.
- 2. Chat little and often about online safety. If you're introducing them to new websites and apps, talk to them about how to stay safe on these services and in general. Ask if anything ever worries them whilst online. Make sure they know that if they ever feel worried, they can get help by talking to you or another adult they trust.
- 3. Help your child identify trusted adults who can help them if they are worried. This includes you and other adults at home, as well as adults from wider family, school or other support services. Encourage them to draw a picture or write a list of their trusted adults.
- Be non-judgemental. Explain that you would never blame them for anything that might happen online, and you will always give them calm, loving support.
- 5. Supervise their online activity. Keep the devices your child uses in communal areas of the house such as in the living room or kitchen where an adult is able to supervise. Children of this age should not access the internet unsupervised in private spaces, such as alone in a bedroom or bathroom.
- 6. Talk about how their online actions affect others. If your child is engaging with others online, remind them to consider how someone else might feel before they post or share something. If they are considering sharing a photo/video of somebody else, they should always ask permission first.
- 7. Use 'SafeSearch'. Most search engines will have a 'SafeSearch' function, allowing you to limit the content your child can access online. Look out for the 'Settings' button on your web browser homepage, often shaped like a small cog.
- 8. Parental controls. Use the parental controls available on your home broadband and all internet enabled devices in your home. You can find out more about how to use parental controls by visiting your broadband provider's website.

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parents and carers: primary



Support your child with CEOP Education resources

CEOP Education films and games are a great way to start and continue chats about online safety:

4-75

Jessie & Friends

www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/jessieand-friends-videos/

A three-episode animated series which helps keep 4-7s safer online.

4-7s website

www.thinkuknow.co.uk/4 7/

Featuring characters from Jessie & Friends, the 4-7s website helps children to recognise worrying or scary situations online through four interactive badges covering: watching videos, sharing pictures, online gaming, chatting online.

8 - 10s

Play Like Share

www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/pla vlikeshare/

A three-episode animated series that helps keep 8-11 year olds safe from risks they might encounter online.

Band Runner game and advice website

www.thinkuknow.co.uk/8 10/

A fun interactive game that helps reinforce key messages about online safety.

Other recommended resources

NSPCC PANTS. A simple way to keep children safer from abuse, by teaching them to remember the 5 rules that spell 'PANTS'. www.nspcc.org.uk/preventingabuse/keeping-children-safe/underwear-rule/

Internet Matters. A useful tool showing how to set parental controls across a range of devices and websites. www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/interactiveguide/

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For up to date information and advice: @CEOPUK on Twitter ClickCEOP on Facebook









If you or your child have missed measles, mumps and rubella vaccinations, book now at your GP surgery

Worried about pork gelatine in vaccines?

You can ask for the MMR vaccine that does not contain this ingredient (Priorix)

www.nhs.uk/mmr



EASTER Sports Camp

For ages 6 - 11 years, 9am - 3pm

SEND Friendly

£10 a day (half price sibling discount available)

Frank Myler Pavilion, Liverpool Road, Widnes

If your child gets FREE SCHOOL MEALS get in touch as we have funded places

> Tuesday 2nd April Wednesday 3rd April Thursday 4th April Friday 5th April

Booking is essential: all forms and payment needs to be in a week before camp starts.



To book email:

jenny.zielski@halton.gov.uk





ATTENTION PARENTS OF 3 AND 4 YEAR OLDS

All 3 and 4 year olds are entitled to 15 hours funded childcare from the term after their 3rd birthday

Children of Working Parents may also be entitled to 30 hours funded childcare per week

To find out if you qualify and apply for an eligibility code, go on-line to:

www.childcarechoices.gov.uk



Parents need to apply for their 30 hour eligibility code <u>THE TERM BEFORE</u> they want to claim 30 hours

To ensure you can claim 30 funded hours childcare from April 2024,
Childcare Choices advise parents to apply for their code NOW.

Any applications received after 31st March 2024 will not be eligible to claim the additional hours in the summer term

To be eligible for 30 hours from April 2024, both parts of the criteria below must be met:

 The child must be 3 or 4 years old before 31st March 2024; and

MPOR

 Working parents must have applied and been issued with an eligibility code with a start date before 31st March 2024

DON'T FORGET

Parents who have already applied and are eligible for 30 hours are reminded that they

MUST RE-CONFIRM ELIGIBILITY

<u>EVERY 3 MONTHS</u>, by logging into their Government Gateway account, otherwise the code will expire and become ineligible.

If you have any questions, speak to your childcare provider



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MONTHLY SHOPPING LIST March 2024



Every food item generously donated to our foodbank will help to save a life. This month, we're asking if you could especially donate...

TOP THREE ITEMS











√ Tin Ham/Corned Beef

Donations are welcome all year round and can be left in the entrance hall donations box. Thank you!









Family Breakfast

Every Morning 8:15am-8:40am



St Basil's welcomes all parents/carers to join their children for breakfast from 8:15 every morning in the Key Stage 1 Hall.

- All children must be accompanied by an adult
- No advance booking needed.





PRE-SCHOOL

at St Basil's Catholic Primary School

3-4 Year Old Places Available Now



Offering morning, afternoon and full days for 15 and 30 hour funded places.

BOOK NOW PLACES ARE AVAILABLE

Please contact the School Office on 0151 424 7887

to book an appointment

St Basil's Catholic Primary School Hough Green Road, Widnes, Cheshire, WA8 4SZ Telephone: 0151 424 7887

We love, learn and succeed following Jesus

You are always welcome to any mass within St Wilfrid's Parish, timetable is below

Mass & Service Times

Sunday Mass Times

Saturday Vigil	St Bede	5.00pm	
	St Basil	5.00pm	
Sunday	St Bede	9.00am	
	St Michael	9.30am	
	St John Fisher	10.30am	
	St Bede	11.15am	
	St Bede	4.00pm	

Weekday Mass Times (see parish newsletter for weekday varations)

Monday	
St Basil	
9.00am Exposition & Morning Prayer	
9.30am Holy Mass	
Tuesday	
St Bede	
11.30am Exposition & Holy Rosary	
12 Noon Holy Mass	
Wednesday	
St Bede	
6.30pm Exposition & Evening Prayer	
7.00pm Holy Mass	
Thursday	
St Michael	
11.30am Exposition & Holy Rosary	
12 Noon Holy Mass	
Friday	
St John Fisher	
9.00am Exposition & Morning Prayer	
9.30am Holy Mass	
Saturday	
10.00am Holy Mass	
10.30am Confessions and Holy Rosary	

St Bede's Church is open for private prayer Monday to Friday 10.00am - 13:00pm