Chetwynd Junior School Newsletter

Artsmark Gold Award Awarded by Arts Council England

PSQM Primary Science Quality Mark Valid 2023 - 2026

November 2026

Chetwynd Junior School should be seen as an extension to the family.

Hello from Mrs Wallis & Ms Marston

As we move further into the autumn term, it has been wonderful to see so much happening across our school community. We are incredibly proud of our pupils and the enthusiasm they continue to show in all aspects of school life. From exciting educational visits to achievements in the classroom and on the playground, there is certainly plenty to celebrate this month.

We would like to thank all parents and carers who attended our recent Parents' Evening. It was fantastic to see so many families and to share the excellent progress and achievements of our children. We also extend our thanks to everyone who supported our Scholastic Book Fair, which has helped us earn valuable rewards that will be used to enhance reading opportunities across the school.

This month, we are especially delighted to celebrate two significant achievements. Mr Baker has helped the school achieve the prestigious Primary Science Quality Mark, recognising our commitment to high-quality science education. We are also incredibly proud to have received an OPAL Award, reflecting the wonderful play opportunities available to our children and the positive impact this has on their wellbeing and enjoyment at lunchtimes.

Our pupils have also enjoyed a range of memorable learning experiences, including visits to Farmer John's farm, St Paul's Church, Coventry, and Bosworth Battlefield. These opportunities help bring learning to life and create lasting memories for our children.

Looking ahead, we are excited for Children in Need day and also look forward to welcoming families to our Show and Share afternoon.

Thank you all for your continued support!

Mrs Wallis & Ms Marston



PE Days

Class	Indoor	Outdoor	Class	Indoor	Outdoor
1	Mon pm	Wednesday	7	Fri am	Wednesday
2	Mon pm		8	Tue am	
3	Fri pm		9	Mon am	
4	Fri am	Wednesday	10	Fri pm	Wednesday
5	Thurs pm		11	Thurs pm	
6	Tue pm		12	Tue pm	

What's Coming Up?

Please note: Throughout the year, we may need to amend dates. All dates shown below are provisional and if needed, we will inform you of any updates.

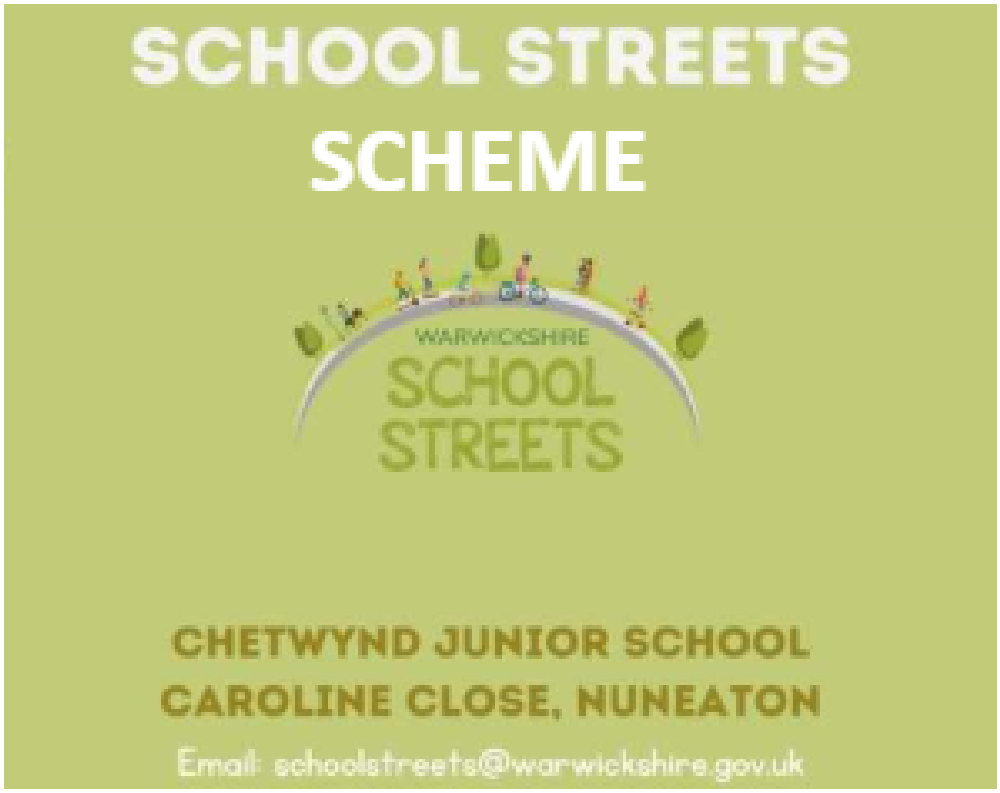
NOVEMBER	
Mon 2nd Nov 2026	Children back to school
Tue 3rd – 6th Nov 2026	Y6 Storey Arms Residential
Mon 9th Nov 2026	Pay Committee Meeting 5:00pm – 6:00pm
Fri 13th Nov 2026	Children in Need – Non-school uniform
Mon 16th Nov 2026	Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6 Show and Share 3:30pm
Mon 16th Nov 2026	Odd Socks Day (Anti-bullying week)
Mon 23rd Nov 2026	Modern Foreign Language (MFL) day
Mon 30th Nov – Friday 4th Dec	Assessment Week

DECEMBER	
Mon 30th Nov – Friday 4th Dec	Assessment Week
Tue 1st Dec 2026	Y3/Y4 Christmas Pop Up Shop (Friends of Chetwynd)
Wed 2nd Dec 2026	Y5/Y6 Christmas Pop Up Shop (Friends of Chetwynd)
Thu 3rd Dec 2026	Y3 & Y4 Christmas Disco, 5:00pm – 6:00pm Y5 & Y6 Christmas Disco, 6:30pm – 7:30pm
Mon 7th – 11th Dec 2026	Arts Week
Mon 7th Dec 2026	Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6 Show and Share 3:30pm
Mon 7th Dec 2026	Governor's Meeting 5:30pm – 7:00pm
Tue 15th Dec 2026	Y3 Production to Parents 9:15am & 2:15pm
Thu 17th Dec 2026	Carol Concert Holy Trinity Church 6:00pm- 7:00pm (choir/musicians) All welcome to join the congregation.
Fri 18th Dec 2026	Progress Medal Assembly (Invitation only) Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day Last day of term
Mon 21st Dec – Fri 1st Jan 2027	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
SPRING TERM 1	
JANUARY	
Mon 21st Dec – Fri 1st Jan 2027	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
Mon 4th Jan 2027	INSET DAY
Tue 5th Jan 2027	Children back to school



Contact Us

Tel: School Office on 02476 340154
School Mobile No: 07414 208 963 for **texting** in sickness or absences.



What is a School Street?

A School Street is a traffic management scheme designed to improve road safety and air quality outside schools. During specific times at the start and end of the school day, the road outside the school is restricted to vehicles, creating a safer and healthier environment for pupils and families.

Why is it being introduced?

The School Street scheme aims to:

- Reduce traffic and parking pressures outside school.
- Improve road safety for pupils and families.
- Encourage walking, cycling and scooting to school.
- Improve air quality and create a more pleasant environment for everyone.

How will it work?

A Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) has been introduced which prohibits vehicles without a permit or valid exemption from entering the restricted area during operating times.

Location: Caroline Close, Chetwynd Junior School, Nuneaton.

Operating Times (term time only):

- **8:15am to 9:15am**
- **2:30pm to 3:45pm**

Signage will be displayed at the entrance to the restricted zone.

Residents and Blue Badge Holders

Residents living within the restricted area can apply for a permit for each vehicle. Blue Badge holders may also apply for a permit. A permit is required regardless of who is driving the vehicle. Applications can be made by emailing: schoolstreets@warwickshire.gov.uk

Enforcement

The Police have powers to enforce the restrictions. Drivers entering the restricted zone during operating times without a valid permit or exemption may receive a Fixed Penalty Notice.

Advice for Parents and Carers

Caroline Close will be closed to through traffic during the restricted times. Families who live further away are encouraged to use nearby Park and Stride locations and walk the final part of the journey to school.

Please remember that some vehicles, including resident permit holders and exempt vehicles, may still be present. Always use pavements and follow the Road Safety Code.

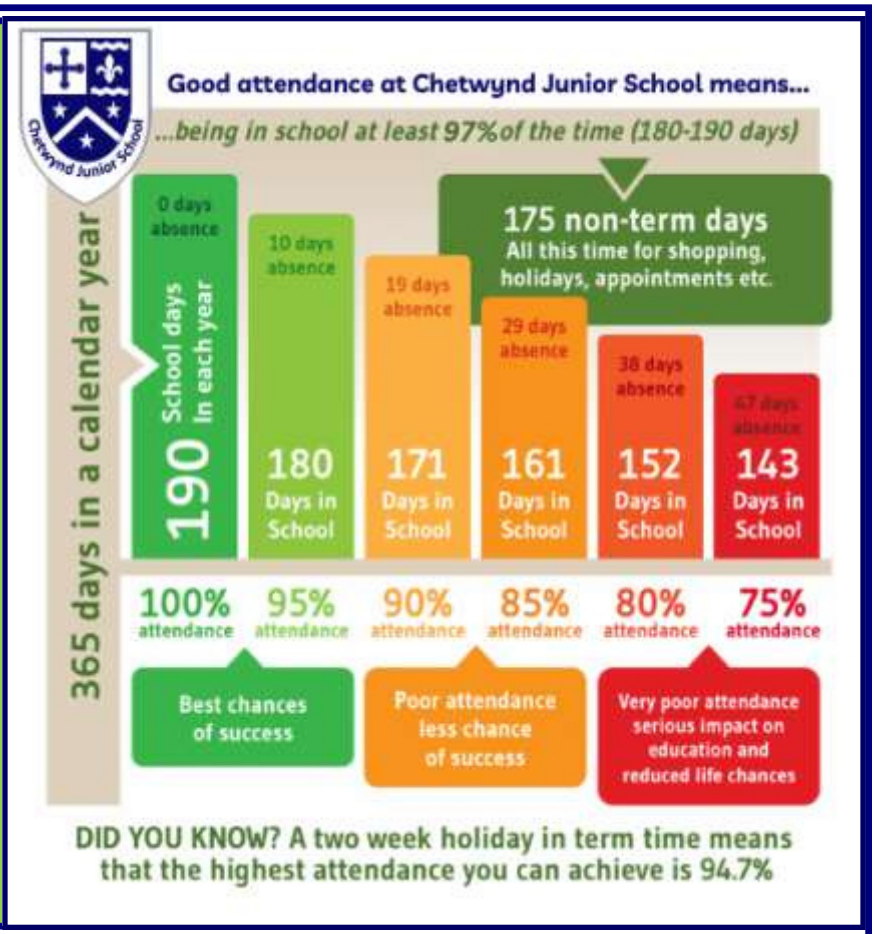
Further Information visit:www.warwickshire.gov.uk/active-travel-schemes/school-streets

Attendance Key Messages

Attending school is important to make sure children achieve their potential. Taking holidays during term time can greatly impact on children's attendance and mean that whole sections of learning are missed. If a child achieves 80% attendance this means that they have missed approximately 40 days of education over the academic year, averaging 1 day per week.

10 days holiday leave a year is the equivalent of two whole terms of education missed during your school career.

15 minutes of lateness a day equals one whole year of education missed during your school career.

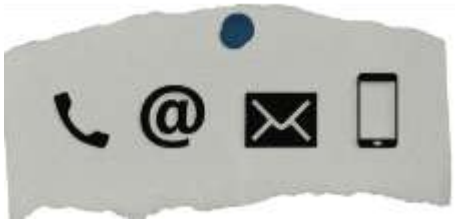


Reporting inappropriate parking

Warwickshire County Council have an online reporting system where vehicles parked in contravention of parking restrictions can be reported: **https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/contraveningparkingrestrictions**

These reports are monitored by the Civil Enforcement/Parking Management Team and although resources do not allow an immediate response, the reports are intended to bring to our attention an area of possible concern, which will be investigated as resources and priorities allow.

Reminder: Update Your Contact Details



Please let the school office know **as soon as possible** if you have changed any of your contact details, including **mobile number**, **email address**, or **home address**. It is essential that we have the most up to date information at all times so we can contact you quickly if needed.

End of Day Arrangements

If your arrangements for collecting your child after school are different or change for any reason, please let the school office know before **1:30pm**, to ensure your child leaves school safely. If your child is added or removed from the Stepping Stones Kids Club list during the school day, please let both the school and Kids Club know.

Thank you for your continued support.



Primary Science Quality Mark

Chetwynd Junior School is proud to announce that it is one of 227 schools to achieve the Gilt Primary Science Quality Mark (PSQM(, a nationally recognised accreditation that celebrates a commitment to excellence in science leadership, curriculum design, teaching and learning.

This fantastic achievement reflects the dedication of our staff and our commitment to providing high-quality science education for all pupils.

We would like to extend a special thank you to Mr Baker for his hard work, dedication and leadership in helping the school reach this significant milestone. His efforts have played a key role in securing this prestigious award.

Well done to everyone involved!

🏆 OPAL Award Success

We are delighted to share that Chetwynd Junior School has been recognised for its outstanding play provision through the achievement of an OPAL Award.

In a congratulatory message, Michael Follett, OPAL Director, praised the school's achievement, recognising Chetwynd as "one of the best schools in the country for the quality of your playtime provision." He also acknowledged the significant culture change required to transform playtimes and the commitment shown throughout the OPAL journey.

This success is a testament to the dedication of our whole school community and the hard work that has gone into creating exciting, inclusive and engaging play opportunities for all children.

A special thank you goes to Mrs Wallis, our OPAL Lead, for her leadership and commitment in driving this initiative forward. We would also like to recognise Mrs White, our Play Coordinator, whose enthusiasm and dedication helps ensure that our children enjoy high-quality play opportunities every day.

We are incredibly proud of this achievement and, most importantly, of the positive impact it has had on our children's play experiences, wellbeing and enjoyment at lunchtimes.

Parents' Evening

A huge thank you to all parents and carers who attended our recent Parents' Evening. We were delighted with the positive turnout and the many encouraging conversations about the fantastic progress, achievements and attitudes to learning demonstrated by our pupils. Working together with families is so important, and we greatly appreciate your ongoing support.

Scholastic Book Fair

We would also like to thank everyone who visited and purchased items from our Scholastic Book Fair. Thanks to your generosity, the fair was a great success and has earned valuable rewards for the school. These rewards will be used to purchase new books and resources, helping us to further develop our reading provision and inspire a love of reading across the school.

Year 4 Southfields Farm Trip






"When we got to the farm, we first milled seeds. The seeds that we saw were barley, wheat, grape seeds and soils. We saw a worm and said what it looks like and how it looks after the world. After that, we went on a tractor ride and saw the sheep, donkeys and alpacas! I really enjoyed it!" Isla

"At the farm, we learnt about different seeds. I enjoyed doing pond dipping" Farmer John took us on a tractor ride and we saw lots of different animals, even horses! We fed sheep, walked donkies and goats and saw two pigs and chickens. THE FARM WAS AMAZING!" Clara

"On Friday 9th October 2026 we went to Southfields Farm. First, we got on the coach and when we got to the farm we went to the school classroom to put our snack and water bottles down. We kept our coats on and we went to feel the seeds and put the labels on the correct seed and next we milled the seeds! It was hard! You will have to be strong to do it! After we had our snack and washed our hands, we went to feel the hay, went on the tractor and we saw animals and did some fishing in the pond and when we got to school, we had lunch, it was so much fun" Beatrice

Year 5 Bosworth trip

"When I went to Bosworth Battlefield, I had an amazing time. My favourite part was learning and using weapons responsibly and correctly. I definitely would recommend going there. All of the activities were really fun!" Theo

"When I went to Bosworth Battlefield, the day was really fun, my favourite part was when my class listened to a talk and the lady showed us lots of weapons and she also talked about whether King Richard III was a good guy or a bad guy!" Thea








Year 6 Church trip

Year 6 recently visited St Paul's Church, Coventry, where they enjoyed exploring the church and learning about the Windrush Generation. During the visit, the children heard an inspiring talk from Margaret, who shared her own personal experiences and brought this important chapter of history to life. It was a memorable and educational day, and the pupils thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to learn more about the people and events that have shaped our communities.

Read on for some of our Year 6 pupils' reflections on their visit.

Church Trip / visit

This year we ~~other~~ went to the Church in Coventry, it looked so gracinating an all neat but what we learned nearly made me cry because we found that when Britain got bombed, people came from the Carabean (also the "people" were called the Windrush Generation). but when they came, they weren't treated kindly, eventhough they were called to help rebuild our country. I ~~that~~ was amazed when I heared Marget ~~s~~ came here before the Windrush generation! Then to hear how even if they did the exact same work or maybe even more than your white colleages you ~~to~~ would still be treated Ungairly.

I enjoyed the trip so much! Thankyou.

Abbyjeet · K.

ST PAUL'S CHURCH
Foleshill

TRIP DAY

I enjoyed the church thourogly. I learnt lots of information from the visitors when they told us about there lives and there struggles like when Margret told us about them not allowing people of colour & irish people or dogs to rent flats. Overall I think it was one of my favourite trips

Grace · M.

Church Trip

During this term, we visited the church in Coventry, it was packed with fun activites and learning. I learned many things such as what the Windrush era was and where they came from. We also had some special guests come in on of them being Margret who was full of stories. She came a few years before Windrush and she said someone refused he help in hospital because of her skin colour. Even though the leader of the England at the time invited them over many of were fined and sent back to the Caribean in previous years. How deverstating. They also weren't appriciated by th citizens of Britain. Thats all from me.

Oliver H.



STAR WRITER

YEAR 5 - FELICITY B



Friday 16th October

L.O. To ~~wrig~~ write a news report (Escape from Pompii).

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Reporting the catastrophic eruption of Mount Vesuvius in 79 AD.

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TERROR STRIKES POMPII!!

Yesterday morning, ~~Mound~~ Mount ~~Vesuvius~~ many people were frightened when Mount Vesuvius ~~ex~~ erupted and black thick ash filled the sky.

~~no~~ many ~~people~~ people ran, since they thought it was just a normal earth quake "But they were wrong, I ran straight away!" interrupted Travis "Yes".

What is Mount Vesuvius? Well it's a ~~Mountedain~~ Mountain that bursted with anger, thousends ~~of~~ sadly ~~dirdicht~~ didn't survive.

~~Lots~~

Lots of people ran to ~~they~~ the harber but when the

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sun went down & Pompii was detestroid most people choking, ~~suffocated~~ suffocating and some even fainting. The smoke filling the air caused this, and the smoke taking osegen out of their ~~bodies~~ bodies made it worst.

PEOPLE HAVE BEEN TOLD TO STAY AWAY!!

make ~~st~~ yourself awear of it.

Tune ~~t~~ in for more update! Thank you.

Super Literacy!

2ND NOV – 11TH DEC

EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS

BEFORE SCHOOL 8:10am – 8:40am

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 3	Handball – Vision Academy	Dodgeball – Vision Academy Dance (Miss Ball)	Dodgeball – Vision Academy Cross Country (Mr Treadwell)	Athletics – Vision Academy Chess (Mrs Reeves)	Football – Vision Academy
Year 4	Handball – Vision Academy	Dodgeball – Vision Academy Dance (Miss Ball)	Dodgeball – Vision Academy Cross Country (Mr Treadwell)	Athletics– Vision Academy Chess (Mrs Reeves)	Football– Vision Academy
Year 5	Handball – Vision Academy	Dodgeball – Vision Academy Dance (Miss Ball)	Dodgeball – Vision Academy Cross Country (Mr Treadwell)	Athletics– Vision Academy Chess (Mrs Reeves)	Football – Vision Academy
Year 6	Handball – Vision Academy	Dodgeball – Vision Academy Dance (Miss Ball)	Dodgeball – Vision Academy Cross Country (Mr Treadwell)	Athletics – Vision Academy Chess (Mrs Reeves)	Football – Vision Academy

2ND NOV – 11TH DEC

EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS

AFTER SCHOOL 3:20pm-4:20pm

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Year 3	Dodgeball – Vision Academy	Football – Vision Academy	Handball – Vision Academy	Science (Mr Baker)
Year 4	Dodgeball – Vision Academy	Football – Vision Academy Young Voices (Miss Cooper)	Handball– Vision Academy	Science (Mr Baker)
Year 5	Dodgeball – Vision Academy	Football – Vision Academy Young Voices (Miss Cooper)	Handball– Vision Academy	Netball (Miss Wylie)
Year 6	Dodgeball – Vision Academy	Football – Vision Academy Young Voices (Miss Cooper)	Handball – Vision Academy	Netball (Miss Wylie)

Email info@vision-football-academy.com to book your child on to a club with Vision Academy!

Pupil premium children are entitled to one club for free with Vision Academy!

Call the school office to book your child on to a teacher led club!

Chetwynd Junior School

Learning ♥ Playing ♥ Growing ♥ Together

Better Play Brighter Children ♡

We are an OPAL school!

OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) is a programme that helps schools make play times richer, happier and more inclusive for every child.

Outdoor Play and Learning



Big ideas...



Creative play...



Real experiences...

...Happier children, brighter futures! ☺

Why is play important?

Play is much more than fun – it helps children to:

- Be happier and healthier
- Build friendships and social skills
- Develop creativity and problem-solving
- Take appropriate risks and build resilience
- Be more ready to learn in the classroom

Through OPAL, we are creating an exciting and varied play environment where children can explore, imagine, be active and play in their own unique ways.

"Play gives children a chance to practice what they are learning about life." ♡

Can you help us?

We are looking for donations of the following items to help develop our OPAL play areas. If you have any of these at home or through work, we would be very grateful!"



Plastic pallets



Wooden pallets



Water butts



Blue barrels



Crates



Pipes



Guttering



Scooters



Dressing up clothes



Suitcases

Donations can be brought to the school office or please speak to a member of the OPAL team if you need help with larger items. Thank you!



Together, we can make play even better for our Chetwynd children! ♡

♥ Curious Minds ♥ Kind Hearts ♥ Brighter Tomorrows ♥

GEORGE ELIOT ACADEMY PTA'S

FIREWORK EVENT!

EVERYONE WELCOME!
ALL PUBLIC & OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY

WEDNESDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 2026

GATES OPEN AT 6PM

CLOSES 8PM

FIREWORK DISPLAY CAN START ANYTIME BETWEEN 7.15PM – 7.45PM

MUSIC FROM LOCAL DJ AROUND SOUNDS ENTERTAINMENT

HOT FOOD & DRINKS

CAKES & TREATS

FUN ACTIVITIES & ENTERTAINMENT FOR ALL AGES!

TICKETS can be bought from ticket tailor

OR PAY ON THE GATE!

ADULTS	CHILD	FAMILY 4
£5.50	£3.50	£17

LIMITED EARLY BIRD TICKETS AVAILABLE!

BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!

George Eliot Academy
The best in everyone™

Come together, light up the night and make memories!

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING GEORGE ELIOT ACADEMY PTA

SCHOOL KEEP CLEAR

A reminderaswemoveintotheautumnandwinter months

Now the clockshave gone back, and daylightcontinues to reduce through theautumn andwinter months, please take extra care when travelling to and from school and help keep school entrances clear and visible. We continue to see vehicles stopping or parking on School Keep Clear markings and double and single yellow lines. Please help keep school entrances clear, safe and visible.

cars, taxis, coaches and buses must not stop, pick up or drop off on School Keep Clear markings during the restricted hours.

Stoppingfor"justamoment"canreducevisibilityandcreate unsafe crossingconditions. Pleaseparklegallyandconsideratelyaway from the school entrance.





THE ROLE OF CIVIL ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

Civil Enforcement Officers (CEOs) are actively patrolling schools throughout the county to help keep school entrances clear and support safe and legal parking.
Their roleis notsimply to issuePenaltyCharge Notices. CEOs arethere toencouragecompliance,promotesafer parkingaroundschools and engage positively with parents, carers and the wider school community.

Respectful interactions help everyone work together towards a safer environment around our schools.

ENFORCEMENT

If a vehicle is parked inbreach of a parking restriction, a Penalty Charge Notice (PCN) may be issued

School Keep Clear markings: Stopping during restricted hours will result in a £70 PCN, reduced to £35 if paid within 14 days.

Yellow lines: Parking on double or single yellow lines will also be enforced. A £70 PCN may be issued, reduced to £35 if paid within 14 days.

REPORT VEHICLES PARKED IN BREACH OF PARKING RESTRICTIONS

Use the link below to report vehicles parked in breach of a parking restrictions, or search"Warwickshire County Council report a contravention": warwickshire.gov.uk/contraveningparkingrestrictions

TOGETHER, WE CAN HELP KEEP THE SCHOOL JOURNEY CLEAR, SAFE & VISIBLE FOR EVERYONE

Respectful Conduct at School Pick-Up Time

We've recently received feedback from members of our community regarding behaviour during school pick-up times. We kindly ask all parents and carers to help us maintain a safe, respectful, and clean environment for everyone.

Please be mindful of the following:
Parking safely and legally: Poorparking and road awareness pose serious risks to children and other road **users**

No littering: Cigarette ends and other litter are being discarded near the school entrance and surrounding streets. This is not only unsightly but also a legal offence.

Respect for our neighbours: Our school is part of a wider community, and we ask everyone to treat the surrounding area with care.

Let's work together to ensure our school remains a safe and welcoming place for all. Thank you for your cooperation.

Free School Meals

Families who receive the following are eligible for free school meals:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the immigration and Asylum Act 199
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

01926 359189
freemeals@warwickshire.gov.uk

Please visit www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals to apply!

Family Information Service

For general family support, advice and guidance, visit: www.warwickshire.gov.uk/children-families or **call 01926 742274.**



Don't forget!

To support home school communication, we have Year Group emails available for parents. **Please mark in the subject which teacher the email is addressed to.**

YEAR 3: Year32581@welearn365.com
YEAR 4: Year42581@welearn365.com
YEAR 5: Year52581@welearn365.com
YEAR 6: Year62581@welearn365.com

Operation Encompass

We are an Operation Encompass School. For more information on our safeguarding policies, please visit https://www.chetwyndjuniorschool.co.uk/safeguarding-1/

OPERATION ENCOMPASS
In every force. In every school. For every child.

Ofsted
Read our report