

Exciting news from the Chair of Governors

I am delighted to inform you that Gary Wilder has been awarded an OBE in the New Year Honours List. Gary Wilder is an exceptional Executive Head of an outstanding school. He is dedicated, hardworking and possesses great leadership skills. He is totally committed to the local community and is a true inspiration to others. I would like to remind all parents of the comment in the November 2012 Ofsted Report. *“Dynamic and strong leadership over many years has made the school highly effective. Inspired by the Executive Headteacher, all school leaders, staff and governors have high expectations and are ambitious for the success of every pupil.”*

As Chair of Governors I cannot express how proud I am that Gary Wilder has been awarded this Honour. It is an absolute pleasure to be associated with him and the school. On behalf of myself and the Governing Body our very sincere congratulations and long may your hard work and commitment continue with the Furze and Warren Hard Federation Schools.

Glenda Paddle,
Chair of Governors

Cold weather

During the winter it is important to ensure children have the appropriate clothing. All children should have coats, ideally with a name label. If children wear boots to school can they please bring alternative footwear in a bag and time will be given at the start of the day for the children to change out of their boots. Finally with snow possibly on the way, every effort will be made to keep the school open. However, this is not always possible. If the school does have to close due to bad weather the details will be posted on the school website, <http://www.warrenjunior.schooljotter2.com/>, as soon as possible

Welcome

We would like to welcome Mrs Goodfellow to Warren Junior School. She is a new school admin assistant and I know you will all want to join me and the staff at Warren Junior in making her feel welcome at Warren Junior.

Parents' Evening

Our Spring Term Parents' Evenings will take place on Tuesday 15th March and Thursday 17th March from 3:15pm – 5:45pm. This is a good opportunity for you to discuss your child's progress with the class teacher and also to look at books. Appointment request forms will be sent out after the half-term holiday.

World Book Day

We are looking forward to World Book Day which takes place on Thursday 3rd March. Children are invited to wear fancy dress in the style of a character from one of their favourite books and where possible bring in that book to share with their friends during the course of the day.

School Term Dates Reminder

Holiday	School Closes	School Re-opens
February Half Term	3 pm Friday 12 th February	8:45 am Monday 26 th February
Easter	1:30 pm Friday 24 th March	8:45 am Monday 11 th April
May Day	3 pm Friday 29 th April	8:45 am Tuesday 3 rd May

Sport Relief

Warren Junior School pupils have a reputation for generosity when it comes to raising money for charity. This term we will be supporting Sport Relief with a non-uniform day on Friday 18th March. Please ensure your child's non-uniform outfit is suitable for a day of normal school activity including outdoor play. The theme this year is 'something sporty'.

Punctuality

Well done to all the children who regularly arrive on time and are **'in the line for a quarter to nine'**! Punctuality is closely monitored and I am pleased to note it is steadily improving. Please contact our Attendance Officer, Mrs Akintunde if you face difficulty getting your child to school on time.

Should you have any further queries please contact the relevant member of staff via the school office. Appointment forms are always available.

Mr J Bell
Head of School