

— Friday 9th October 2026 —

Wigmore Weekly



Our school value of the month: Kindness

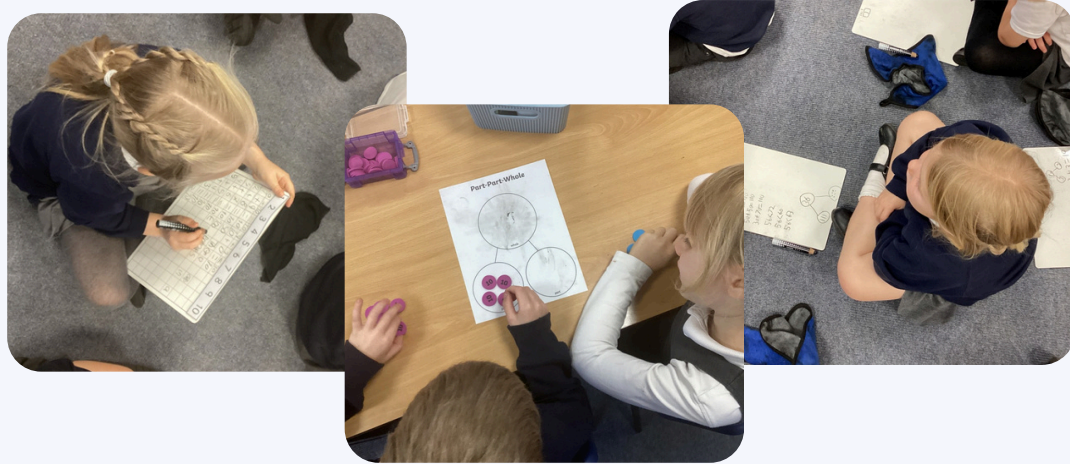
British Values: Tolerance, Mutual respect and Individual Liberty

Quote of the Week: "Be kind whenever possible. It is always possible." The Dalai Lama

Star of the Week



Acorn: Tilly
Oak: Ivar
Elm: Roman
Laurel: Stanley
Willow: Ruari
Cherry: Eljay
Sycamore: Mia-L M



We have been working hard during mathematics this week!

Value of the Week



Acorn: Finley
Oak: Blair
Elm: Sophie
Laurel: Pippa
Willow: Leon
Cherry: Wolfie
Sycamore: Albie W



Head Boy and Head
Girl Award:
Hendrix

Class of the Week

Well done Acorn
Class!

We had a wonderful time celebrating Harvest on Wednesday. Children enjoyed a range of harvest activities throughout the day and proudly shared their learning, alongside some of the songs they have been practising, in our Harvest Assembly.

Thank you to everyone who was able to join us for Stay and Play. We really appreciate your support and loved welcoming you into school. Our Year 6 pupils also had a fantastic time with their Reception buddies as part of the session. It is great to observe the care and encouragement shown by our oldest children towards our youngest members of the school community.

Have a brilliant weekend!

Mrs Rebecca Williams - Head of School



Attendance Corner

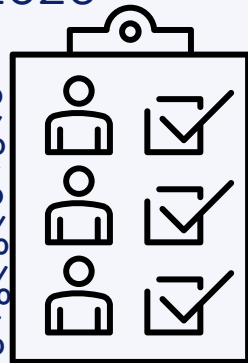


If your child misses...	That equates to...	Which is...	and over 7 years at primary school that is....
1 day per fortnight or 90% attendance	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	28 weeks - more than 2 whole school terms!
1 day per week or 80% attendance	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	56 weeks - more than 1 whole school year!
2 days per week or 60% attendance	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	112 weeks - nearly 3 whole school years!

Please remember that every day counts in order to allow children to make good progress. There is an overwhelming connection between those children who are frequently absent from school and those who go on to underachieve. If you have any difficulties getting your child to school, please do reach out. The expectation is that a child's attendance is above 96%.

Class Attendance Figures W/E 9th October 2026

Oak	95 %
Elm	97.67 %
Laurel	99.13 %
Willow	95.48 %
Cherry	98.5 %
Sycamore	99.26 %



Congratulations SYCAMORE Class!

Arriving late everyday...	Equals...	Which over the school year is
5 minutes	25 minutes per week	16.25 hours or 2.5 days of
10 minutes	50 minutes per week	32.5 hours or 5 days of
15 minutes	75 minutes per week	48.75 hours or 7.5 days of
30 minutes	150 minutes per week	97.5 hours or 15 days of

Absences and Illness

Please ring the school office if your child is off for any reason and support the school by adhering to our absence policy. Children must be off school for 48 hours after a bout of sickness or diarrhoea. Please do not arrange holidays during the school term. We are unable to authorise this and you could be fined as a result. Research shows that children that attend school everyday are far more likely to do well in school and as a result, have better opportunities in the future.

What's happened at Wigmore...



Acorn Class

Acorn Class have had a busy and exciting week exploring the story, Little Red Hen, as well as discovering more about Harvest. The children enjoyed an autumn walk around the school grounds, spotting signs of the changing season and collecting autumn treasures along the way. They also worked together to make a delicious vegetable soup, inspired by our learning. It was a huge success and was enjoyed by both the children and staff! Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Stay and Play session. The children loved sharing their learning with you and we really appreciate your support.

Oak Class

What an amazing week in Oak Class! This week Reception children have been reading and writing CVC words. The adults have been very proud of all their amazing progress! Year 1 children have created some amazing stories linked to our class story, 'The Colour Monster'. In maths, Reception children have been comparing amounts using more than and fewer than. Year 1 children have continued to explore numbers within 100 and have started to compare different numbers using more than and less than. We had a lovely science lesson on Tuesday learning about herbivores, carnivores and omnivores. We also had a great time at Stay and Play on Thursday morning! Have a brilliant weekend!

Elm Class



It has been another fabulous week in Elm Class! We are very excited to share our class assembly with you on Wednesday all about 'The Great Fire of London' which the children have been so enthused about! I have been incredibly impressed by the writing that we have completed this week as the children have really challenged themselves to use ambitious vocabulary within their diaries and we have even included some onomatopoeia. In maths, the Year 2 children have continued to develop their understanding of two-digit numbers by comparing two 2-digit numbers and also exploring different ways to partition them into tens and ones. We also had a lovely gymnastics lesson where some children were able to share their performance of a sequence which used a range of gymnastic techniques. Have a lovely weekend!

Laurel Class



Laurel Class have had a fantastic week! In English, we explored story features and practised using prepositions and apostrophes. In Maths, we found different complements to 100. Science lessons focused on fossils and the important discoveries of Mary Anning. In PE, we applied tactics in games, while in Art we began designing our own Ancient Egyptian scrolls. We also enjoyed celebrating Harvest and taking part in a range of special activities.

Willow Class

Willow Class have had a fantastic week of learning! In English, we started our instruction writing unit, exploring examples and identifying key features such as headings, numbered steps and command words. In mathematics, we learned to round numbers to the nearest 1,000 and discovered when to round up or down. In history, we debated the most significant reasons for the fall of the Roman Empire. In science, we investigated animal teeth to identify carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. Have a lovely weekend!

Cherry Class



This week, Cherry Class have been embracing the harvest season across the curriculum. In English, we wrote some fantastic harvest poems, using similes, metaphors, personification and onomatopoeia to create vivid imagery and bring our writing to life. Continuing the harvest theme in art, we created our own versions of Vertumnus by Giuseppe Arcimboldo, using fruits and vegetables to produce imaginative portraits. In mathematics, we explored negative numbers in a range of different contexts, developing our understanding of how they are used in everyday life. In history we looked at the differences between Athens and Sparta and created Venn diagrams with our information.
Homework - Maths pg. 6 English: Pg. 63

Sycamore Class

It has been another great week in Year 6! We have started reading The Barnabus Project, with the children enjoying making predictions, using inference and creating character profiles. In Maths, we have been developing our mental calculation skills, working with numbers in the hundred thousands and crossing the one-million boundary. We have also seen some brilliant progress in swimming. It is particularly rewarding to see the small steps of success the children are making each week.

What's happening at Wigmore...



Class Assembly Dates			
Term	Class	Date	Time
Autumn i	Elm Class (Y1/2)	14.10.26	@ 9:00
Spring i	Laurel Class (Y3)	10.02.27	@ 9:00
Spring ii	Willow Class (Y4)	17.03.27	@ 9:00
Summer i	Cherry (Y5)	19.05.27	@ 9:00
Summer ii	Oak Class (YR/1)	14.07.27	@ 9:00

**DON'T
FORGET**

Sycamore Class, don't forget
swimming is every Friday.

Elm Class, don't forget Forest
School is every Wednesday.

Acorn and Oak Class, don't
forget that Forest School is
every Friday.



Well done to the following children who
achieved the most correct answers over
the last seven days:



Y1: David
Y2: Roman
Y3: Stanley

Y4: Ted
Y5: Ollie
Y6: Seth

What's on at Wigmore...



Week Commencing 12th October 2026

Monday	Hama Bead Club (Group 1) - Darts Club
Tuesday	Parents' Meeting - No Clubs
Wednesday	Parents' Meeting - No Clubs - Y1/2 (Elm) Class Assembly
Thursday	Multiskills Club - Football Club - Netball Club - Orchestra Club - WPS Prospective Families Open Day
Friday	Y6 Swimming - Cheerleading Club

	OCTOBER
13.10.26	Parents' Evening YN - Y6
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14.10.26	Y1/2 (Elm) Class Assembly @ 9:00 All welcome!
15.10.26	WPS Open Day
19.10.26	House Football and Netball
22.10.26	Reading Café and Phonics Workshop
23.10.26	Mufti Day and Pumpkin Competition!
	NOVEMBER
05.11.26	Outdoor Classroom Day
05.11.26	Y6 at Oakerwood
05.11.26	School Nurse Drop In (by appointment)
06.11.26	Diwali Day with Infinity Dance
06.11.26	Y5 Swimming begins
26.11.26	Whole School Flu Vaccinations
	DECEMBER
03.12.26	Christmas DISCO!
09.12.26	YN/R/1/2 Nativity @ 14:00 and 17:00
11.12.26	Christmas Lunch
15.12.26	Whole School Trip to Ludlow Theater
16.12.26	KS2 Carol Concert at WHS @ 18:00
18.12.26	Last Day of Term

Wigmore Noticeboard

Reminders

Arrival in the Morning - Please remember that children should not be left unsupervised in the playground before 08:30am when the door opens. This is to ensure children are safeguarded at all times.

Please don't walk your children through the High School car park.

Healthy Snacks - Please remember that we are a healthy school and NUT FREE. In line with school policy, children should only bring in healthy snacks for break (fruit, cereal bars) not crisps, cake or chocolate.

School Dinners - Please remember to ring the School Canteen to cancel school dinners if your child is off poorly. School dinners need to be on Arbor by Tuesday for the following week.

Head Lice - Once a week, take a peek! Please park respectfully at the start and the end of the day. We know how tricky it can be. There is a carpark on Bury Lane which can be utilised.

Please ensure that children keep to the path and/or pavement on arrival or when leaving school to respect our neighbours' properties. Thank you.



Uniform

We believe that wearing a uniform is a way of encouraging a sense of identity and connection with the school, which helps to inspire a community spirit. We would like all children to wear the correct uniform and be as smartly presented as they can for each school day. It is lovely to see children that are proud to belong to Wigmore Primary School. Our expectation is that all children attend school in the uniform outlined on our website and within our uniform policy.

Please note, black trainers are not part of the school uniform. School shoes should be plain black.

Wigmore School Academy Trust

Enjoying Learning Together

Thursday 15th
October

Wigmore Primary School and Nursery Open Day!

Come and visit our wonderful
school to see the pupils and staff in
action!



Please phone: 01568 770333

or email:

adminpri@wigmore.hereford.sch.uk
to book an appointment.

Other times and days available upon
request.



At Wigmore Primary
School we value strong
RELATIONSHIPS with our
families and the community.

We have **HIGH
STANDARDS** and
EXPECTATIONS of
children, rooted in teaching
and learning. We believe in
excellent **ENRICHMENT** to
strengthen a sense of
BELONGING and **JOY**!



Wigmore School
Academy Trust



IMPORTANT NOTICE

Reception admissions for 2027-2028

Do you have a child born between
1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023

If so you will need to apply for a school place
by 15 January 2027
(to commence September 2027)

Applications can be completed from
14 September 2026 online
(scan QR code) or visit:



www.herefordshire.gov.uk/schools-education/primary-school-admissions

Please note: a place at a nursery does not
guarantee a place at the associated primary
school, therefore you must still apply.

For further information please contact the school
admissions team on 01432 260926 / 261574 or
schooladmissions@herefordshire.gov.uk



Wigmore Primary School

PUMPKIN CARVING COMPETITION

Get creative, carve a pumpkin and show us your spooky, silly or spectacular designs!

 **PRIZE FOR THE BEST PUMPKIN!**

 **23rd OCTOBER**

The poster features a dark blue night sky background with a full moon, a witch flying on a broom, and several bats. In the foreground, there are three carved jack-o'-lanterns with glowing faces, a crow perched on a fence, and a lantern. The entire poster is surrounded by a decorative border of Halloween-themed items like pumpkins, spiders, and mushrooms.

Wigmore Primary
School
Invite you to our
**READING CAFE &
PHONICS WORKSHOP**

**THURSDAY 22ND OCTOBER
9.00AM - 10.00AM**

For all year groups from
Nursery up to Year 6

We would love for parents/carers
to come along and listen to their
children read. Its a wonderful
chance to enjoy our love of reading.
We hope to see lots of grown ups
there.



An Introduction to



Eventbrite Session

Wednesday 14th October 6–7.30pm

Thursday 15th October 10 – 11.30am

Join ONSIDE for the launch of Melo aND More, a new neurodiversity and wellbeing service supporting children, young people and families across Herefordshire and Worcestershire.

Learn about the support available, our approach, and how we can work together to help children and families thrive.

Whether you're a professional, partner organisation, parent, carer or community member, we'd love to welcome you.

Meet the team, make connections, and discover how Melo aND More can provide tailored support that promotes wellbeing, inclusion and positive outcomes for local families.

[Click here to book free tickets](#)



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School Nurse Drop In Session



Thursday 5th November



9.30am – 11.30am

An opportunity for parents/carers to speak to the school nursing team regarding health, wellbeing or any other concerns you may have.



Health



Wellbeing



Support



Any concerns

We're here to help



To make an appointment please email
adminpri@wigmore.hereford.sch.uk

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE ONLINE

WhatsApp group chats: what parents need to know

Group chats can be a fun way for young people to stay in touch, but they can also be used by others to groom, exploit or harm children. It's important to know the risks and how you can help keep them safe.



WHY GROUP CHATS CAN BE RISKY



Children may be added to groups by people they do not know.



Grooming can start with friendship, attention, gifts, games or status.



Children can be pressured to share photos, personal information or their location.



Sexual images can be requested, shared or used to threaten or blackmail a child.



Criminal exploitation can involve secrecy, money, gifts, drugs, violence or pressure to meet others.



Screenshots, forwarding and disappearing messages can make harmful content difficult to control.



TALK TO YOUR CHILD



Ask who is in their groups. Help them think about who they really know online.



Check privacy settings together (e.g. who can add them to groups, who can see their profile and posts).



Encourage them to tell you if someone makes them uncomfortable.



Reassure them: they will not be in trouble for asking for help.

Have open and regular conversations



WARNING SIGNS



Suddenly secretive about their phone.



New online friends or contacts they cannot explain.



Receiving gifts, money or new phones/clothes.



Becoming withdrawn, anxious or upset after being online.



Missing school or going missing.



Talking about meeting people they know online.



Sexualised messages/images or pressure to send pictures.



WHAT PARENTS CAN DO



1 Keep accounts private and review group-chat settings (e.g. who can add them).



2 Encourage children to block and report suspicious accounts.



3 Save evidence/screenshots if something worrying happens.



4 Do not confront a suspected exploiter yourself as this could put your child at further risk.



5 Get advice early — you do not need to be certain that exploitation is happening.



Stay involved. Stay informed. Keep them safe.

WORRIED ABOUT A CHILD?

Herefordshire Children's Services – SAFE Team

For advice and support about child exploitation (including online exploitation) and missing children.



Email: exploitationteam@herefordshire.gov.uk



If a child is in immediate danger call **999**



For safeguarding concerns contact **Herefordshire MASH**

01432 260800 (office hours)

01905 768020 (out of hours)

Trust your instincts.

Early advice can make a difference.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.



Herefordshire
Council



Early Years Storytimes at Herefordshire Libraries

BookTrust Storytimes in Hereford Town Hall, Ross-on-Wye, Leominster and Ledbury libraries. Join us every week for magical stories and rhymes to enjoy with your little one.

View our upcoming storytimes and events.

No need to book, just come along to a FREE relaxed session for the under 5s.