



'Make Every Minute Meaningful'

Dear parents and carers,

Happy New Year!

It may seem silly to ask if you were able to have a relaxing break at a time when everyone is their most excited! However, we do hope that you have had an enjoyable Christmas holiday.

We often find that the Spring term is when children really begin to flourish, working harder than ever to reach their full potential and to make themselves proud. We ask for your support in this, completing homework with children and reading regularly.

Many thanks for your continued support!

Best wishes, Mrs Mark-Richards and Mrs Webb



Attendance

Please be reminded that we work hard to ensure that we 'Make Every Minute Meaningful'. We work at a fast pace as a school and, as a result, your children make great progress and achieve strong outcomes.

However, we have seen an increase in the number of people taking days off from school, either for extended holidays or for occasional events.

These **significantly** impact your child's education.

Please be advised that parents/ carers may be fined or subject to a Legal Intervention Team if attendance becomes a particular concern.

Parking Around the School Site

Please remember to park respectfully around the school site. Do not park in the residents only carparks or on double yellow lines. We have had an increase in local residents concerns regarding parking. We completely understand that it is really tight but please support us and the community.

Channel 4 Swiped

We know that devices—iPads, game consoles and phones—are often gifted at Christmas.

Whilst we would always recommend that parents ensure there are adequate controls on devices, we urge you to watch the Channel 4 programme **Swiped**.

This is a great look at the impact of screentime and the dangers of devices even if you think that you have put all the protective measures in place that you can.

It is not to attempt to scare you into never letting your child online but a way of exploring safe internet use **alongside** your child.

If you feel you would like any help from the school regarding online safety, please do not hesitate to contact us.



Key Dates for your Diary

January

W/C 13th: Year 6 mock SATS week

Thursday 16th: Second hand uniform sale

Friday 17th: PTA Break the Rules Day (see the attached flyer)

29th: Targeted Parent Meetings and IEP meetings - these will be organised directly with parents

February

Friday 7th: PTA—The Great Wellington Bake Off—KS1

Tuesday 11th: Safer Internet Day

Wednesday 12th: Superhero Day in Reception

Wednesday 12th: Year 5 to Hampton Court Palace

Thursday 13th: Year 6 WW2 workshop

Friday 14th: KS1 Unfair Olympics—Parent v child

Friday 14th: Last day of the half-term

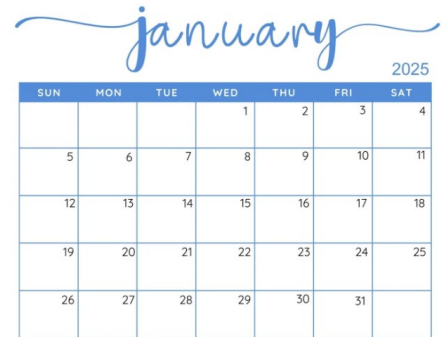
Saturday 15th–Sunday 21st February: half-term

Monday 24th February: Children's first day back at school

W/C 24th: British Values week TBC

Friday 28th: PTA—The Great Wellington Bake Off—KS2

Friday 28th—7th March: Scholastic Book Fair—details to follow



A decorative calendar for January 2025. The word 'january' is written in a blue cursive font at the top, with '2025' in a smaller sans-serif font to its right. Below is a grid with columns for the days of the week (SUN to SAT) and rows for the dates. The 1st of January is a Wednesday.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

The Aldershot Branch of the Royal British Legion

would like to thank staff and pupils of

Wellington School

Who helped us to collect

£100.02

towards the 2024 Poppy Appeal.

*Without your help, we would be unable to continue our vital welfare and
benevolent work.*

Wellington Ducks

We are very excited to introduce you to some new members of the team here at Wellington, we have welcomed ducks to the school.

Initially, we were having three ducks called: Huey, Dewey and Louie but we could not resist Della and Lena. The ducks have settled in to our wonderful community beautifully and are very much a part of our school.

The children love helping with caring for the ducks by: cleaning out the run, changing the water and feeding them. Watch this space for more Duck News!



Uniform

At Wellington, we take great pride in our appearance.

Our school uniform consists of:

- white shirt/polo shirt
- grey trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore
- purple checked summer dress
- purple sweatshirt, fleece or cardigan
- smart black school shoes



Whilst branded uniform is not compulsory, this can be purchased by completing the order form on the school website or by contacting the school office.

Leggings are not school uniform.

Thursday 16th January there is a second-hand uniform sale in the playground at 8.30 to 9.00 am. Please bring cash—all items £1



Friday 17th January is

BREAK the RULES DAY



You must wear your school uniform as usual but you can break 2 of the following rules:
Wear a different jumper
Wear a crazy hair style
Wear temporary tattoos
Wear trainers instead of school shoes

Here's how it works:

Donations will be collected by the bike shelter on the day as you come in so look out for us.
Thank you for your support.

Parentkind
Member Association

To break the rules we are asking for donations of:

Good quality unwanted and unused gifts for:
- children such as toys, teddies, games, jigsaws etc
- for adults such as alcohol, shower gels, body wash sets, bubble bath, scented candles etc

for the Spring Fair Adult's and Children's Tombolas.