



# The Witton Warbler



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<b>Next Week</b>	Next week is <b>Green Week</b> and will be <b>Week 2</b> on the Aspens lunch menu.											
<b>6LM Parents &amp; Carers' Assembly</b>	Mrs Miele would like to invite parents and carers of pupils in 6LM to come and see their class assembly on <b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July at 2.35pm</b> .  Refreshments will be available.											
<b>Attendance</b>	Every day counts and we have lots of exciting events during the last two weeks.	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2">Attendance up to and including 28<sup>th</sup> June 2019</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Overall attendance</td> <td>95.1%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Year 5</td> <td>95.8%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Year 6</td> <td>95.0%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Year 7</td> <td>94.5%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Attendance up to and including 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2019		Overall attendance	95.1%	Year 5	95.8%	Year 6	95.0%	Year 7	94.5%
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<b>Sports Day</b>	Our sports day is scheduled for Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July and it's great to see the summer weather has arrived, hopefully it will continue into next week. <b>Please ensure your child has sun cream and a hat to protect them from the sun as there is very little shade on the field.</b>  Refreshments will be on sale during the day and cash will be accepted.  Should the weather decide to change and we have to reschedule, we have Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July as our contingency date.											
<b>Save the Date</b>	<b>Sports day</b> is scheduled for <b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July</b> . Contingency date (in case of poor weather): Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July. <b>Summer Disco – Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July from 5.30pm to 7.00pm</b>											
<b>Clubs Update</b>	No athletics, rounders or cricket clubs next week. No clubs will run during the last week of term.											
<b>School Disco</b>	<p>Our Summer Disco is on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July from 5.30pm to 7.00pm. This is a ticket only event and tickets are now on sale in the library during morning break and lunchtime.</p> <p>Tickets cost £3.00 to include unlimited squash or water. Hotdogs will be on sale at £1.50, sweets from 20p, crisps from 50p and drinks £1.00.</p> <p>Other activities will include a Bouncy Castle at £1.50 per go; giant games to include Jenga, Connect 4, Quoits and Skittles; fun photo booth and best-dressed festival goer competition.</p>											
<b>50th Anniversary of the Lunar Landings</b>	<p>On <b>Monday 15th July</b>, the school will be off timetable so that we can explore the Space Race during a cross-curricular day, timed to coincide with the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 mission to the moon.</p> <p>As part of the day, each student will work in a team to complete an engineering challenge. Please could you collect empty <b>two- litre fizzy drink bottles</b> (with lids) that Year 6 can transform into water rockets and other <b>plastic lids</b> that Year 5 can use as wheels for their moon buggies. Please bring any materials to the blue science lab.</p>											



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<b>Next week's Recognition Focus in School</b>	<p><b>Responsible:</b> I play safely outside</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Safe and kind contact only</li> <li>2. Aware of other people's space</li> <li>3. Kind words to all</li> </ol> <p><b>The playground is then a happy place for everyone</b></p>	
<b>Library Move</b>	<p>During the summer break our library will be moving upstairs and therefore we ask that all library books are returned to Mrs Strange by Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July. Please take this opportunity to have a look around at home for any of our books that may have been lost.</p> <p>Also if you have any books that you no longer want, all donations are gratefully received. Thank you.</p>	
<b>Pre-loved Uniform Sale</b>	<p>We are holding a <b>pre-loved uniform sale on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July</b> from 11.30am - 12.30pm.</p> <p>There will be a <b>non-uniform day on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July</b> where children will be asked to bring in any out-grown uniform as payment. Any clean jumpers, PE tops, shorts, trousers, shirts, blouses, ties, trainers and school shoes would be gratefully received, some of our families really do benefit from your generosity.</p> <p>Children will still be expected to wear full school uniform during the last week of term, however for PE lessons they will be permitted to wear appropriate sportswear instead of school PE kit.</p> <p>Any additional items can be donated up until Thursday morning.</p>	
<b>Lost &amp; Found</b>	<p><b>FOUND:</b> Harry Potter canvas bag with PE kit &amp; shoes enclosed Smiggle lunchbox</p> <p><b>LOST:</b> Black drawstring bag with Birmingham Velo in bold red letters, containing named swimming kit, purple towel and goggles.</p>	
<b>6LQ Parents' &amp; Carers' Assembly</b>	<p>Thank you to the parents and carers of pupils in 6LQ who were able to attend their class assembly on Wednesday. We enjoyed welcoming you and it was a great opportunity for the pupils to perform!</p>	
<b>Parent/Carer Support Opportunities</b>	<p><b>Parent/Carer Support Sessions</b></p> <p>We understand the importance of involving families in their child's education and school life. We have set up a programme of parent support sessions where parents can receive 1:1 advice in areas such as behaviour, sleep and anxiety.</p> <p>To book on to one of the weekly 30 minute sessions on Thursday afternoons, 1.30pm, 2.00pm, 2.30pm, please call the school office or for more information, please ask to speak to Tom Barker-Phillips, Pastoral Mentor.</p>	
<b>Eco News</b>	<p>In the dining hall, we have started recycling plastic bottles. Our red buddy bin is now in place and ready to receive empty plastic bottles. So reuse or recycle.</p>	



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## Dates for your Diary

8 Jul	Drama Production at 7.00pm
9 Jul	Eco Committee to Envirosort Centre
9 Jul	Drama Production at 7.00pm
10 Jul	6LM Parents/Carers' Assembly at 2.35pm
<b>11 Jul</b>	<b>Sports' Day</b>
12 Jul	Sports' Day (Contingency)
12 Jul	Non-uniform Day (all year groups) Donate pre-loved uniform or £1
16 Jul	Non-uniform & Golden Time for Year 6
16 Jul	Y7 Leavers' Parents/Carers' Assembly at <b>2.00pm</b> followed by tea & cake in Y7 block
16 Jul	Summer Disco 5.30pm to 7.00pm
17 Jul	Y5 Ancient Greek Day
17 Jul	Non-uniform & Golden Time for Year 7
17 Jul	6AB Parents/Carers' Assembly at 2.35pm
18 Jul	Y7 to Drayton Manor (reward trip)
18 Jul	Non-uniform & Golden Time for Year 5
19 Jul	<b>School closes at 3.00pm for Summer Break</b>

## Let us know your thoughts...

We are reviewing our homework policy and would like to hear your views.

We think it is important to prepare children for future study and provide opportunities for meaningful independent practice, but we also need homework to be manageable for staff, pupils and parents alike.

We are also currently looking at the possibility of introducing 'epraise' – an online system that would replace the children's Organisers and Dojos, and provide a more comprehensive way to communicate. If you would like to comment about homework or the use of epraise – perhaps you have experience of the High School use of this - we would love to hear your views. Please do send them in an email to our feedback address

[wmsfeedback@witton.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:wmsfeedback@witton.worcs.sch.uk)

## Pupil recognition-

**Ready  
Responsible  
Respectful  
Safe**

**The following pupils have been awarded certificates to recognise that they have gone 'Above and Beyond':**

**5JB:** Owen, Olivia, Madison

**5JD:** Hermione, Poppy, Izzy

**5SO:** Penelope, Daisy, Beth, Lucy, Hope, Jack, Cameron

**5AP:** Holly, Sophie, Oscar, Ciaran

**5SW:** Phoebe, Isabelle, Ruby

**6LC:** Amelia, Ruby, Dan

**6AB:** Taylor, William, Fraser

**6LM:** Amarion, Faith

**6LQ:** Lillie G, Lorcan, Millie

**6CR:** Ruby, Jacob, Hayden

**7JC:** James, Kyran

**7OA:** Hope, Shai-Dee

**7BT:** Isobel S, Lucy B

**7CW:** Charlie, Cassidy

**7KW:** Emily S, James



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## Headteacher Awards

**Lewis 7BT** for being very supportive of a new year 5 student on transfer day.

**Harry 7CW** for high levels of empathy shown to a fellow pupil.



## Current Vacancy

Role Teaching Assistant x 2 posts  
 Grade TA2  
 Salary range £10,582 - £10,794 per annum  
 Hours 25 hours per week  
 Tenure Term-time, One Year Fixed Term Contract initially

### About the role

- Do you have a commitment to ensuring all pupils receive an education of the highest quality and have effective behaviour management skills?
- Are you able to support a child with meeting their physical and emotional needs?
- Are you able to support our classroom teachers to raise standards, working with pupils with varying additional needs?

The successful candidates will have GCSE (or equivalent) English and mathematics at grade C or above, hold positive values, can work as part of a team and have experience of being a Teaching Assistant in Key Stage 2 or 3, we would be delighted to hear from you.

Our School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. An Enhanced DBS will be required for this position.

Closing date for applications: 11 July 2019 at 9 am  
Interviews will be held: 18 July 2019

For further details, please visit our website at [www.witton.worcs.sch.uk](http://www.witton.worcs.sch.uk) or request an application pack from the School Business Manager on 01905 773362.

## Community News

### **Women & Girls Tennis Festival – Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July – Droitwich Lido Park**

'Tennis in the Lido Park', has joined forces with Judy Murrays "She Rallies" organisation to bring you a free, fun tennis festival right in the middle of Wimbledon! We're inviting women and girls, mums and daughters, grandmas and granddaughters of all ages and abilities to come and join us in Droitwich for a fun day of tennis.

There's something to suit everyone! We will have tennis sessions running all afternoon including "Lil-miss Hits" for girls age 5-8, fun games for age 8+, starter tennis for teens age 13+, and fun doubles for women 18+.

To book your free slot please visit [www.lidoparktennis.co.uk](http://www.lidoparktennis.co.uk) and follow the link or turn up on the day.



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