

Newsletter



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17th January 2020

Dates for Spring Term and Summer Term 2020

Please find attached to this newsletter a list of important dates for the remainder of this academic year.



Nursery Open Day

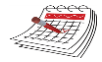
Does your child's 3rd birthday fall between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017? If so, please register your child at our nursery to start in **September 2020**. Registration is open now and closes on 27th March 2020. Application forms for Nursery are available to access on our school website via the 'Information for Parents' tab, or alternatively by following this link: <https://www.fiveways-primary-school.org.uk/school-information/admissions>

If you or anyone you know has a child of Nursery age and would like to come and take a look at our teacher-led Nursery Provision we are offering 'drop-in' sessions on Thursday 6th February. Please come along with your child to our morning session 9.15am – 10.15am (by appointment only through the school office) or drop-in after school between 3.30pm – 5.00pm. Take part in a tour of our purpose built nursery building, meet our dedicated and experienced Nursery staff and enjoy fun games and activities with your child. Refreshments will be available as well! An information leaflet has been sent home today with further information of the drop-in sessions however, please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you have any questions.

If you would prefer a personalised tour of our Nursery accommodation as well as a tour of the rest of our school, please do not hesitate to make an appointment with me through the school office, and I would be more than happy to show you around.



Forthcoming Dates:



Week beginning 20th January 2020 – Menu week 3.

24th January - Year 6 Theatre Trip
(*The New Vic, Stoke – The Prince and the Pauper*)

24th January - Sponsor forms to be sent home (*More details to follow*)

7th February - Enrichment Day - Maths Day and Active Maths Sponsored Event (*More details to follow*)

W/B 10th February - Parent/Teacher Consultations **Year 6 Parents only** (*After School Appointments*)

11th February – Safer Internet Day (*More details to follow*)

13th February - Year 6 Parents' Evening Consultation Appointments 6pm – 8.30pm

14th February - School Closes for Half Term *Normal Times (Non-Uniform day in exchange for Easter Bingo chocolate donation for £1 monetary donation.)*

Further dates will be added to the Newsletter as we progress through the year.

Bad Weather Procedures

In the unusual event that school is unable to open for pupils, parents will be informed via text at the earliest opportunity. In addition, any closure will be reported on the Staffordshire school closure website which can be accessed by using the following link:

<https://apps2.staffordshire.gov.uk/sln/schoolclosures/>

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Year 6 Parent Consultations

This is a reminder that Year 6 Parent consultations meetings will take place slightly earlier this term, compared to the rest of the school. This allows greater opportunity for Year 6 parents to receive feedback and advice on ways you can support your child at home before they are subject to SATs in May. Y6 Parent consultations are due to take place during the week commencing **10th February** and Year 6 Parents' Evening will take place on **Thursday 13th February**. To provide a more efficient service, you will be aware that we have changed the way in which you can make an appointment to see your child's classteacher. I am pleased to inform you that you will now be able to book your appointment online. Year 6 parents will be sent a link to your mobile phone or email address during the morning of **23rd January**. The link will take you to the online booking system to select a time convenient for you.

Please follow these simple steps to book your appointment:

1. Click the link that you receive through text and/or email to take you to the confirmation page. You will need internet access to do this.
2. Enter your child's first name to continue. If you have more than one child, any of their first names will work.
3. Next, you will be taken to the booking page. This will show your children alongside the teacher that you need to book in with.
4. Click 'Please Choose' to be shown a list of available times that you can click to book.
5. Please click 'Book this Slot' to complete your booking. When the button has turned green you know your booking has been made.
6. At any time before Parents' Evening, you can click the link on your phone or email again to check your booking time or even un-book by clicking the green booked button.

The new online booking service will be available to access until **Thursday 6th February**. If you do not have internet access, it is still possible to make an appointment through the school office; please ring and discuss this with a member of the office staff who will book an appointment for you. If you wish to update your email address or mobile telephone number, please contact the school office.

Previous feedback from parents about the new online booking service has been very positive however, please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you do experience any problems with this service.

Pride in our Uniform

It is lovely to see so many pupils looking very smart in their uniforms; it really does show pride in our school in the local community. However, there are a small number of pupils who are wearing trainers for school rather than school shoes. I would like to politely request that pupils wear shoes rather than trainers for school, unless there are exceptional circumstances that have been explained to the classteacher. Thank you for helping to maintain high standards in school uniform at Five Ways.



PTFA News!

Tuesday 3rd March – PTFA Meeting - 7.15pm KS1 Staffroom (*All welcome!*)

Easter Chocolate Bingo – 27th March - Full details of this event will be announced in the next couple of weeks. It is always popular and sells out fast. Friday 14th February is a non-uniform day in return for Easter themed chocolate or a monetary donation. (Suggested amount £1.)

Five Ways Lottery

We are pleased to announce that Miss Watson won last weekend's lottery. Well done! Tickets can be bought by following the link:

www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/five-ways-primary-school

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