

Newsletter



Mrs R. Mander - Headteacher

24th January 2020

Odour from Poplars Landfill Site I would like to reassure parents that I have been in communication with our Health and Safety Officer from Staffordshire County Council, regarding the odour that is sometimes present around the school site as a result of our close proximity to the Poplars landfill site. I have been advised that if there were any risks to pupils, Cannock Chase District Council Environmental Health Agency would contact school and request that measures be put in place. This has not happened to date however, if I am contacted, I will communicate with parents as appropriate.

If any parents wish to report the smell to the Environment Agency so that they can take action, the **FREE 24 hour** reporting line is as follows: **0800 80 70 60**. When the odour has been detected around the school site, we have phoned the Environment Agency on the number above and registered a complaint.

Nursery Open Day

This is a reminder that application forms for Nursery places in September 2020 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 would like to 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, 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. Refreshments will be available as well!

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
27th January 2020 – Menu week
1.

7th February - Enrichment Day -
Maths Day and Active Maths
Sponsored Event – **PE kits and
trainers to be worn all day.**

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

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

11th February – PTFA Meeting
7.15pm KS1 Staffroom (*All
welcome!*)

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.)*

24th February - School Opens for
Pupils

***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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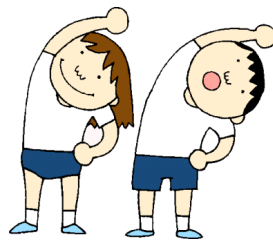
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Maths Day / Sponsored Active Maths Activity

At Five Ways, we are passionate about continuing to raise the profile of mathematics so that all pupils are excited about their learning in maths lessons. For this reason, I am delighted to inform you that all year groups will be taking part in a maths day, held on **Friday 7th February**, where the focus for learning for the whole day will be on active engagement and enjoyment of maths. Our pupils will also be carrying out their sponsored event on this day which will have an active maths focus. A copy of your child's sponsor form has been sent home today and a description of the activity has been placed at the top of the sponsor form for your information. Due to the nature of the sponsored event, all pupils are requested to come to school dressed in their PE kit and trainers on 7th February and wear them throughout the day, so that they are dressed appropriately to take part in their active maths activity. Dark coloured tracksuits can be worn over the top of PE kits, as it is likely that the active maths activity will take place outside.

We would be grateful if sponsor money could be returned to school by Friday 6th March so that pupils can be consulted regarding how they feel the funds would be best spent to benefit them directly. I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that we do not want to encourage pupils to go from door to door to collect sponsors as this would compromise their safety. I would like to thank everyone in advance for supporting our maths day and sponsored event and look forward to informing you about what the funds have been spent on.



Five Ways Lottery

Tickets can be bought by following the link:



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

PTFA News!

Tuesday 11th February – PTFA Meeting - 7.15pm KS1 Staffroom (*All welcome!*)

Year 6 Leavers' T-shirts and Hoodies 2020 – A letter has been sent home today with further details and an order form. The deadline for orders is **14th February** at the latest.

PTFA Easter Discos – New Event! – The PTFA are pleased to announce that due to popularity, Easter discos will be taking place this term. The PTFA will be sending out letters soon with more information regarding the discos however, the date is as follows: **Thursday 19th March 2020** - Year 1: 4.00pm - 4.45pm KS2 Hall. Year 2: 5.00pm - 5.45pm KS2 Hall. Year 3 and Year 4: 6.15pm - 7.15pm KS2 Hall. Year 5 and Year 6: 7.30pm - 8.30pm KS2 Hall.

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.)

Easter Egg Hunt – 3rd April – On the final day before the Easter holidays we will see our Easter Egg Hunt take place. Details for this event will be announced soon, so keep your eyes out for this too!

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