

Newsletter



Mrs R. Mander - Headteacher

20th November 2020

Election of a Parent Governor

You will be aware that a Parent Governor vacancy became available on our Governing Body recently. We were very pleased to receive 5 applications for the vacancy. I have great pleasure in informing you that Mrs Kim Cole has been elected as our new Parent Governor and is very pleased to take on her new role within the Governing Body. Mrs Cole is a parent of a current Year 4 pupil and a Year 6 pupil. Mrs Cole already knows a lot of parents because she has been an active member of the PTFA for many years however, she is very much looking forward to getting to know more parents as her new role develops. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Alec Christie for his service to the Governing Body over the past years. We are very pleased that we really do have parents willing to contribute to the long term development of the school and support us in setting the vision for the forthcoming years. Parent Governors play an important role within the Governing Body by helping to shape our future and voice the opinions of parents. If you would like to speak to any of our Parent Governors, they can be contacted through the school office and their names are as follows: Mr Richard Burden, Mrs Hannah Holland, Mrs Amy Rowsell and Mrs Kim Cole. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all governors for their hard work and commitment to Five Ways and look forward to continuing to work together for the benefit of everyone involved with the school.

Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Children in Need collection last week and to Nursery who have Children in Need as their year group charity. Nursery raised £109.70 through their cake sale and as a whole school, we managed to raise £551.81. Well done everyone!



Forthcoming Dates:



Week beginning 23rd November 2020 – Menu week 3.

27th November - Enrichment Day
- International Day
W/B 30th November -
Parent/Teacher Consultations
(After School / Evening
Appointments) via Zoom
11th December – Year 1
Christmas Jumper Day in aid of
Save the Children (More details
to follow)
18th December - School Closes

January 2021

4th January - School Opens
9th February – Safer Internet Day
(More details to follow)
11th February - School Closes
for Half Term
12th February - School Closed
for Staff Training INSET Day
22nd February - School Opens
for Pupils
4th March - Enrichment Day -
World Book Day (More details to
follow however, pupils are invited
to dress as their favourite book
character for the day.)
1st April - School Closes
(Normal Times)
19th April - School Opens
*Further dates will be added to the
Newsletter as we progress through
the year.*

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PTFA AGM



The PTFA AGM took place this week at which the new committee was formed.

I am delighted to inform you that Mrs Christie Gray has been re-elected as our chairperson and I look forward to continuing to work in partnership with her to carry on the outstanding work of the PTFA. Other committee members include Mrs Kim Cole as treasurer and Mrs Kerry Howard as secretary. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all members of the PTFA for all of their hard work and commitment to Five Ways.

I am also pleased to announce that due to the dedication of PTFA members and the generosity of everyone who was kind enough to support the PTFA events that took place before the 1st lockdown began, £5600 was raised, even though many events were cancelled due to Covid-19. This still represents a fantastic amount of money and confirms how dedicated the PTFA members are, as well as how kind and supportive members of the Five Ways community are.

Fundraising by the PTFA is instrumental to the school because money that is raised enables us to buy things that will benefit the children which we could not otherwise afford. Funds from last year were used to purchase additional home reading books and extend the license for Times Table Rock Stars. Our 2 Enrichment days were funded by the PTFA, enabling year groups to book additional experiences for World Book day and International day. All Year 5 pupils will have the opportunity to participate in First Aid training which is funded by the PTFA and this year, Year 6 pupils will also participate in this training as they missed the opportunity last year due to lockdown. The remaining funds are due to be spent on the outdoor learning areas in Nursery and Reception to enhance the learning opportunities for pupils within these year groups.

On behalf of the governors and staff at Five Ways, I would like to thank everyone involved with the PTFA in terms of organising and helping at events as well as everyone who has supported the events. Without your kindness, we would not have been able to purchase the wonderful resources detailed above.

Five Ways Lottery We are pleased to announce that the lottery set up for members of the Five Ways community, raised £2600 for the PTFA last year, which is a tremendous amount of money. This money forms part of the £5600 raised by the PTFA last year. Due to the fact that the lottery raises so much money for the PTFA, and ultimately for the children of Five Ways, we would like to encourage as many parents, grandparents, friends and family members to sign up and take part. Tickets can be bought by following the link:

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

We are pleased to announce that Mr Moroney won last weekend's lotteries. Well done!

International Day

On Friday 27th November pupils will be taking part in our first Enrichment Day of this academic year. The day will be entitled 'International Day' and each year group will focus upon a specific country to learn about. Pupils will discover facts about their chosen country including typical foods, traditions and the culture. I look forward to sharing lots of photographs with you showing how much fun was had during the day. The countries being studied are as follows:
Nursery: United Kingdom, Reception: Italy, Year 1: India, Year 2: Japan, Year 3: China, Year 4: Greece, Year 5: Mexico, Year 6: Brazil.

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