

Newsletter



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11th December 2020

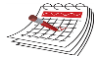
Non-Uniform Day

As you are aware, Year 1 pupils wore their Christmas jumpers to school today in support of their year group charity, 'Save the Children'.

This is a reminder that all pupils will have the opportunity to wear a Christmas jumper if they wish, on Friday 18th December, as this day has been set aside as a non-uniform day, in exchange for a monetary donation. (Suggested amount £1.) Thank you in advance for any donations received.



Forthcoming Dates:



Week beginning

14th December 2020 – Menu week 3.

15th December – Y5 and Y6 Christmas Lunch

18th December – Reception, KS1 and Y3/Y4 Christmas Lunch

18th December - School Closes
(Non-uniform day in exchange for monetary donation - £1 suggested amount.)

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 for Easter Break

19th April - School Opens

3rd May - School Closed Bank Holiday

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

Pantomime / Theatre Trips

As you are aware, pupils will be watching a virtual pantomime, Christmas theatre production or film during the final week of this term as a special treat because trips to theatres are not permitted currently. Children will watch the performances with their class and refreshments will be served during an interval to make the experience as close as possible to visiting a real theatre. All costs associated with this treat have been funded by the PTFA, who have kindly donated additional funds to school for this purpose. I am pleased to inform you that year groups will be watching the following productions:

Reception: Peter Pan

Year 1: Jack and the Beanstalk

Year 2: Jack and the Beanstalk

Year 3: Hansel and Gretel

Year 4: Aladdin

Year 5: Alice in Wonderland

Year 6: Jack and the Beanstalk virtual theatre performance.



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Reception Places for 2021 – 2022

This is a reminder that the application round for our Reception cohort 2021 – 2022, is currently open, and the closing date for applications is **Friday 15th January 2020**. To apply for your child to join one of our Reception classes in September 2021, parents need to apply online through the Staffordshire School Admissions Website by following this link:

www.staffordshire.gov.uk/admissions

If you, or anyone you know has a child who was born between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017, and you would like them to join our Reception cohort in September 2021, please visit our school website to view our 'Welcome to Reception' presentation by following this link:

<https://www.fiveways-primary-school.org.uk/school-information/early-years-foundation>

Sadly, we are unable to offer visits to the school currently, due to Covid-19 restrictions however, if you have any questions, please contact the school office to speak to Mrs Young, who is our Reception Year Leader.



Bad Weather Procedures

As we move towards colder weather, please note the procedures for any school closure which might be necessary. 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/>



Five Ways Lottery

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

We would like to encourage as many parents, grandparents, friends and family members to sign up and take part in the Five Ways lottery, as doing so raises valuable funds for the benefit of pupils at our school. Tickets can be bought by following the link:

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



Christmas Production

As you are aware, we are in the process of producing a whole school Christmas performance that parents and grandparents will be able to watch from the comfort of your own home. All year groups from Nursery to Year 6 will contribute to the performance in some form and it will be accessed via our school website. A link to the production will be published in next week's newsletter on Friday 18th December.



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