

# Newsletter



Mrs R. Mander - Headteacher

5th November 2021

## Young Minds

On 8th October, it was 'Hello Yellow' day in support of Young Minds and National Mental Health day. I am pleased to report that £419.27 was raised for the charity due to the donations received. Thank you for your generosity.

## Children in Need

I would like to make you aware that it is Children in Need day on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November.



**(Not 12th November as originally stated.)** To enable pupils to understand the purpose of this event and to join in the fundraising, pupils are able to wear 1 item of spotty clothing on this day in return for a donation to the charity (suggested amount £1). This might be a pair of spotty socks, a spotty hairband or any other spotty item. In addition, pupils will spend a lesson during this day learning about the work of the charity and the worthy causes it supports.

**Covid-19 Protective Measures** As you are aware, following the half term break, we have implemented some additional protective measures to safeguard the school community against the rising Covid-19 case numbers in Staffordshire. I would like to reassure parents however, that extra-curricular clubs will continue to operate for the time being. If there is a confirmed case of Covid-19 within a class, any pupils from the class who are attending an extra-curricular club, will be accommodated separately during the club if this is possible. If it is not possible to do this, the parents of these pupils will be informed that their child cannot attend the club for the 10 day period following contact with the positive case. I would like to apologise in advance for any inconvenience that this may cause.

## Forthcoming Dates:



### Week beginning

### 8th November 2021 – Menu week 1.

W/B 15<sup>th</sup> November - Anti-Bullying Week  
(*More details to follow*)

16th November – Reception to Year 6  
NHS Nasal Spray Flu Vaccinations (*Please ensure e-consent forms are completed by 12th November.*)

19th November - Children in Need Day  
(*Pupils are able to wear 1 item of spotty clothing in return for a donation to the charity, suggested amount £1.*)

26th November - Enrichment Day -  
International Day (*More details to follow*)

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

## Christmas Nativity Productions

In light of the continuing risks associated with rising Covid-19 case numbers within Staffordshire, arrangements for year group Christmas performances will need to be altered to protect all members of our school community. Please await further information regarding the new arrangements that will need to be put in place.

**Five Ways Lottery** Well done to last week's winner! Tickets can be bought by following the link:  
[www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/five-ways-primary-school](http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/five-ways-primary-school)

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## Childhood Flu Vaccination Programme

This is a reminder that pupils from Reception to Year 6 are eligible to receive their free NHS Nasal Spray Flu Vaccination at school on **Tuesday 16th November**. This year, the School Age Immunisation Team is moving towards paperless vaccination programmes and will be implementing the use of an e-consent form, which is quick and easy to use, and can be completed on any electronic device. Please click on this link: <https://forms.mpft.nhs.uk/> to complete the e-consent form. The code required for our school is **SS124070**. Parents are asked to complete the form by 9.00am on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

Parents are asked to complete and submit your child's consent form promptly, whether you wish your child to be immunised or not; please only submit one consent form per child. If you have any concerns or would like to discuss any matters further, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Immunisation Team on 03001240366 or email [school.immunisation@mpft.nhs.uk](mailto:school.immunisation@mpft.nhs.uk)

## Football Success!

Our Year 4 Football team took part in a match against Norton Canes on 11th October. Mrs Marsh has written: 'Our Year 4 football squad finally got their extra-curricular football campaign up and running at Norton Canes. With only 3 football practices behind them, our players produced a highly encouraging display against one of our local rivals. Although it was a 0-0 result, it proved to be a highly enjoyable and entertaining match for both players and parents.' The players are photographed here on the top right as follows: From left to right: back row – Elliot Morton, Frankie Craddock-Cook, Leo Hayes, Poppy Roberts, Joseph Ingry, Dylan Lesniak, Toby Fox. From left to right: front row – Dylan Hughes, Oscar Murphy, Bradley-Joe Edwards.



The players were as follows: From left to right: back row – Callum Harris, Jayden Roberts, Harrison Holyman, Ellis Fielding-Stokes. From left to right: front row – Callum Boden, Oscar Watson, Charlie Cresswell, Zachary Knight, Joe Dyke.

Well done everyone!

I am also pleased to report that one of our Year 6 football teams took part in a match on 14th October. Mrs Marsh has written: 'After an 18-month delay, one of our Year 6 football teams finally resumed competitive matches at SUA. Although Covid-19 restrictions hampered the practices in the build up to the competition, the squad produced an encouraging start to the season. They finished the competition with a semi-final spot, having won 1 game, drawing 2 games and losing the semi-final game. Special mention to Zachary Knight who scored 2 goals and Callum Boden with a solitary strike.'

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## Reception Cohort – September 2022



Is your child born between 1st September 2017 and 31st August 2018? If so, I have great pleasure in informing you that we have organised a Reception Open Day on Saturday 27th November 2021. If you or anyone you know, has a child who is due to start school in Reception in September 2022, we would be delighted to welcome you to our Open Day. This will provide a perfect opportunity for you and your child to visit our Early Years setting, meet our Early Years Team of staff, experience a 'Stay and Play' session and meet other parents and children. To book a place, please contact the school office via telephone or email. We look forward to welcoming you to Five Ways and seeing you on 27th November!

### Walk to School Month

The month of October was 'Walk to School Month' and we asked families to actively participate by leaving their car at home or by parking further away from the school so that more pupils had the opportunity to enjoy the benefits of walking. The greater number of families walking to and from school, also helps to improve congestion and parking issues around school and the local housing estates.

Classes recorded the number of pupils who walked to school throughout October. I am delighted to announce the classes with the most 'walks to school' during the month of October are as follows:

Early Years Foundation Stage: **Miss Malpass's class**

Key Stage 1: **Mrs Horton's class**

Key Stage 2: **Mrs Darby's class.**

Well done to everyone who walked to school during the month of October. Each child in the winning classes will receive a prize!



### Plant a Tree for the Jubilee

We are delighted to announce that Five Ways Primary School has been involved in 'The Queen's Green Canopy.' This is a unique tree planting initiative created to mark Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee in 2022 which invites people from across the United Kingdom to '**Plant a Tree for the Jubilee.**'

Our tree planting took place this week, running alongside the international COP 26 conference. We have planted a mixture of small Hazel, Crab Apple, Goat Willow, and Rowan Trees in the school grounds. We know that planting trees is a great way to ensure we breathe cleaner air and protect our environment for now and future generations. Please click on the link below to view our tree planting on the map. [Map - The Queen's Green Canopy](#)

You can see pupils from Year 4 in Mrs Gosling's class, who helped to plant the trees photographed here.



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