

Newsletter



Mrs R. Mander - Headteacher

17th December 2021

Christmas Productions

Well done to the remaining classes who completed their Christmas performances this week in front of an audience. They were all tremendous and a privilege to watch. Thank you to all those adults who were able to attend and support our pupils.



I would like to inform you that the Reception classes dedicated their Christmas performances to their chosen charity, The Birmingham Children's Hospital. I am pleased to inform you that £52.36 was raised. Thank you for all donations received.

I would also like to congratulate our KS2 classes who have performed their Christmas services whilst being filmed, so that they can be uploaded onto our school website. It has been a pleasure to view these performances via the website and see how much the classes have enjoyed delivering them. Finally, I would like to thank all of the staff across the school who have been involved in preparing our pupils so well for their productions.

Merry Christmas!

I would like to congratulate all pupils on their achievements during this term at Five Ways, despite the continued disruption caused by the pandemic. I would like to thank all parents, staff and governors for their support and commitment during this term and wish you all a very safe and Merry Christmas. I would also like to wish everyone a happy and peaceful 2022. I look forward to seeing you all in the New Year when school re-opens on Tuesday 4th January. Well done everyone!



Forthcoming Dates:



Week beginning 3rd January 2022 – Menu week 1.

3rd January 2022 – School CLOSED – Bank Holiday

4th January - School Opens

19th January – Year 5 and 6 Theatre Trip - (*The New Vic, Stoke – Beauty and the Beast*)

21st January - Sponsor forms to be sent home (*More details to follow.*)

27th January – Year 3 and 4 Theatre Trip - (*The New Vic, Stoke – Beauty and the Beast*)

W/B 31st January - Sponsored Event (*More details to follow.*)

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

Year 1 Christmas Jumper Day

You may be aware that Year 1 pupils wore their Christmas jumpers to school last week in support of their year group charity, 'Save the Children'. I am pleased to inform you that Year 1 pupils raised £67.00 for their charity. Thank you for all donations received.



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PE Kits (Year 1 to Year 6 Pupils)

Parents of KS1 and KS2 pupils will be aware that pupils from Year 1 to Year 6 have been asked to wear their PE kits to school on their PE days during the autumn term. I would like to confirm that pupils will be expected to continue doing this throughout the spring and summer terms. Our PE leaders will liaise with pupils and parents in January, to begin redesigning our school PE kit so that it is more modern, manufactured from fast drying material and includes a specific school tracksuit with the Five Ways logo on it. This way, pupils will look just as smart in their PE kits as they do in their usual school uniform. I would like to reassure parents that when our PE kit is redesigned and a Five Ways tracksuit is introduced, it will not become standard PE uniform until September 2022.

Pupil Premium

Pupil Premium is extra funding paid to school which is used to provide additional support for children. Any child may be eligible for this extra help if their parents are in receipt of certain benefits. Pupil Premium funds are spent to improve outcomes for children. School may use this extra money to provide additional adult support or to provide appropriate resources. Pupil Premium children are also eligible for financial help with educational visits. If you feel that your child may qualify for pupil premium funding, please see the information sheet sent home today with this newsletter.



Bad Weather Procedures

As a reminder, please note the procedures for any school closure that might be necessary due to bad weather. 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:

[School Closures - Staffordshire County Council](#)



PTFA News!

Christmas Chocolate Raffle – Thank you to all those families who supported our raffle. The winning tickets have been chosen and people have been contacted as appropriate. Well done everyone!

Class Christmas Parties – Thank you to all of the PTFA members for arranging for Father Christmas to deliver presents to every child at Five Ways. You are all very kind!

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

Extra-Curricular Clubs

A copy of the extra-curricular clubs timetable available during the spring term has been sent home with this newsletter today. Staff who are delivering the clubs will write to specific year groups with more details nearer the time that the club is due to commence. Please be aware that the organisation of extra-curricular clubs may be altered at short notice if disruption is caused by Covid-19. Parents will be informed of any changes as soon as possible.



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