

# Newsletter



Mrs R. Mander - Headteacher

7th January 2022

## Happy New Year!



I would like to take this opportunity to welcome everyone back to school and to wish you all a Happy New Year. I have enjoyed talking to the children and hearing about their Christmas holidays. We have a busy term ahead of us with lots to experience and enjoy and I am looking forward to keeping you updated as we progress through the term.

## Reception Cohort – September 2022

This is a reminder that the application round for admission into Reception in September 2022 closes on **15th January 2022** and that applications should be made via the Staffordshire County Council website by following the link: [Admission to primary and middle schools September 2022 entry - Staffordshire County Council](#).



## Forthcoming Dates:



### Week beginning

**10th January 2022 –**

**Menu week 2. (Please see the new menus sent home this week.)**

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 31<sup>st</sup> January - Sponsored Event (*More details to follow.*)

4th February - Enrichment Day - Maths Day (*More details to follow.*)

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

## Nursery Places for 2022 – 2023



The New Year is a time when many parents consider which setting they would like their child to attend as they enter **Nursery** in **September 2022**. If you, or anyone you know who has a child of Nursery age, would like to come and take a look at our teacher-led Nursery Provision, discuss what options are available for your child, or register your interest in taking up a place in our purpose designed Nursery, please contact the school office or speak to myself as Headteacher or Miss Grice, who is our Nursery teacher. Please be aware that application forms for Nursery 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>

The closing date for Nursery applications is **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2022**.

I also have pleasure informing you that we will be holding a Nursery Open Day on Friday 18th February. This will provide a perfect opportunity for you and your child to visit our Nursery setting, meet our Nursery 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.

## **Five Ways Primary School**

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### PE Kits (Year 1 to Year 6 Pupils)

I would like to remind you that KS1 and KS2 pupils will continue to be expected to wear their PE kits to school on their PE days throughout the spring and summer terms. As mentioned previously, our PE leaders will liaise with pupils and parents as soon as possible, 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 with the newsletter before Christmas.



### 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](https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/school-closures)



### Five Ways Lottery

Well done to the winners during the Christmas break! 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)



### Extra-Curricular Clubs

You may be aware that a copy of the extra-curricular club timetable, detailing clubs that are available during the spring term, was sent home before Christmas. 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 see the email sent home today containing details regarding the Year 3 and Year 4 football clubs due to be delivered by Mr Newey.

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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