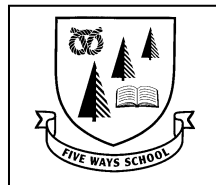


Newsletter



Mrs R. Mander - Headteacher

22nd March 2024

Easter Boiled Egg Decoration Competition

This week, we were thrilled to see such wonderfully decorated eggs brought in from home, ready to be judged as part of the PTFA egg decoration competition that took place today. It was clear to see how much time and effort had gone into designing and making the amazing creations. I am pleased to announce that the year group winners were as follows:

Nursery – Ruby E	Year 3 – Laila H
Reception – Isabella F	Year 4 – Georgia R
Year 1 – Lily-Jane J	Year 5 – Sophie C
Year 2 – Maddison W	Year 6 – Georgia C

From the winners above, I am pleased to announce that the overall winners for the whole school were as follows:

1st – Ruby E from Nursery
2nd – Sophie C from Year 5
3rd – Georgia R from Year 4



Well done to everyone who took part and a special thank you to Miss Finazzo, who is the Vice Chairperson of the PTFA and the PTFA team, for organising all of the prizes! You can see all of the prize winners, along with Miss Finazzo and myself, photographed here.

Forthcoming Dates:

Week beginning

8th April 2024 –

Menu week 1 of the new menus issued.



8th April - School opens for pupils and staff

18th April – Laches Wood Meeting – 6.30pm KS1 Hall (*Parents of pupils in Year 6.*)

23rd April – PTFA Meeting 7.15pm – KS1 Staffroom (*All parents welcome.*)

24th, 25th, 26th April - Year 5 Peak Venture Residential (2-night stay away in Yorkshire, returning at home time on Friday 26th April.)

2nd May – **School CLOSED for Nursery through to Year 5 pupils, due to it being used as a Polling Station. Year 6 parents are asked to refer to a letter sent home today, regarding attendance on Polling Day – 2nd May.**

6th May - School Closed - Bank Holiday

W/B 13th May - KS2 Assessments all week (*Y6 pupils must be present.*)

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

INFORM Magazine I have pleasure in informing you that our termly information magazine (INFORM) has been sent home today. I hope you enjoy reading about all of the wonderful things that our pupils have been experiencing during the spring term at Five Ways!

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Sporting Success

Two of our Five Ways pupils achieved great success in sports last weekend. On Sunday, Ira B, who is in Year 6 Miss Berry's class and Grayson M, who is in Year 2 Miss Wright's class, competed in a jujitsu competition involving six different clubs. I am thrilled to inform you that they both won in their respective categories, earning gold medals for their outstanding performances. This Saturday 30th March, they are competing in the National Jujitsu Championships and I am sure they will provide tough competition to their opponents. Congratulations to both of you and good luck for Saturday!



Easter Holidays

Please note that school closes for Easter today and will re-open on Monday 8th April for pupils and staff. I hope you all have a relaxing Easter break.

Tempest Photography Orders

Have you ordered your child's class photo yet? This is a reminder that the closing date for **free delivery** back to school is Wednesday 27th March. Please place your orders via the Tempest website using your unique link or visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk If you require any assistance in ordering your photos, please contact Tempest photographers on 01736 751555 (option 3).

Five Ways Lottery

Tickets can be bought by following the link: www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/five-ways-primary-school

Well done to last week's winner!



Access Protection Markings (H Bar White Line) Local residents along Langholm Drive, have had white lines painted on the roadside outside of their properties to prevent vehicles blocking their driveways. Access protection markings (APMs) also known as a 'H bar' are marked out with white lines and are used to identify vehicle access and make motorists aware that the access is required at all times of the day. If a vehicle blocks a driveway with an APM, the resident can contact the police on the non-emergency number 101. No vehicles can be made exempt from such enforcement, this includes the residents own vehicles. Please also be aware that the registration numbers of any vehicles parking illegally or inconsiderably, will be reported to the police. Please support us by following these regulations, allowing us to maintain good relations with our local residents.

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Comic Relief Day

I would like to thank everyone who supported Comic Relief last Friday. I am pleased to report that £412.22 was raised in support of the charity. Well done everyone!



My Happy Mind

I am delighted to inform you that all pupils at Five Ways have just completed their first module from our wellbeing program called, 'My Happy Mind'. Please see below the names of pupils who have been awarded certificates for their understanding and engagement in the 'Meet Your Brain' module. One pupil from each class was chosen, across the school.

Nursery - Evie B and Layla V

Reception – Lewis W, Charlie N, Louie H

Year 1 – Fleur L, Scarlett P, Erin S

Year 2 – Mia S, Leo H, Alice C

Year 3 – Ruby P, Lyla O L, Mollie J

Year 4 – Oliver L, Nancy H, Amelia T

Year 5 – Jenson D, Avery M, Noah C

Year 6 – Holly H, Evelyn P, Evie T

The 'My Happy Mind' program is for teachers, parents and children and is designed to help prepare today's children for tomorrow's world by building resilient, balanced and happy minds at home and at school.

The program combines the latest research, science and technology to help children develop lifelong habits, and learn to thrive. Here at Five Ways, we believe that we should be equipping all children with the knowledge, skills and tools to thrive in the modern world.

My Happy Mind is delivered in school by your child's classteacher through a series of interactive lessons and then the children apply these learnings throughout the day.

The next module, 'Celebrate' will be launched during w/c 8th April. To further embed this learning, My Happy Mind has developed a set of resources for parents that can be accessed online on your computer, or through an app on your phone. The resources include activities for you and your child to do at home, to complement the in-school lessons. To access these materials just go to <https://myhappymind.org/parent-resources> and enter your name, email, and authentication code which is: **124070**.



PTFA News!

Flip and Dippy Clown Show – 12th April – Tickets are £4 each. Please purchase your tickets through the PTFA dashboard: www.pta-events.co.uk/fiveways.

Next PTFA Meeting – This will be held on Tuesday 23rd April at 7.15pm in the KS1 staffroom. Everyone is welcome; we hope to see you there!

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