

Newsletter



Mrs R. Mander - Headteacher

3rd May 2024

Attendance

As it is now May, I am able to provide you with the attendance report for the month of April. The percentage attendance for the whole school for April was 94%, which again falls below our high expectation of 97%. However, our Year 3 cohort came close to the aspirational target and achieved the highest overall monthly attendance of 96%. I am pleased to report that Miss Berry's class in Year 6 were the class who achieved the highest attendance figure of 97%, which does meet our aspirational target and is outstanding! Congratulations Miss Berry's class!

Reception	94%
Y1	95%
Y2	94%
Y3	96%
Y4	95%
Y5	95%
Y6	94%

As a reward for high attendance, the year group and class with the highest attendance figure each month will receive an extra five minutes of playtime. Well done to Year 3 and Miss Berry's class in Year 6, who were the winners in May. Enjoy your extra playtime!

Please remember that holidays during term time, will NOT be authorised unless there are very exceptional circumstances, and most likely will result in a penalty notice being issued to parents by Staffordshire County Council. Thank you.

PE Kit Uniform

Parents are reminded about the importance of pupils wearing appropriate well-fitted, sports trainers on PE days. This is to prevent injury when taking part in competitive sports, particularly athletics and team games. Fashion trainers, such as Converse and other brands as well as trainers that are oversized to look fashionable, are **NOT** appropriate for PE lessons, as they do not provide the protection to a child's ankle and feet during competitive sports. Parents are asked to support us with this important Health and Safety issue. Thank you.

Forthcoming Dates:



Week beginning 6th May 2024 – Menu week 2.

6th May - School Closed - Bank Holiday

W/B 13th May - KS2 Assessments all week (**All Year 6 pupils must be present.**)

14th May - Reception Induction Evening - 6.30pm KS1 Hall (*Invited parents only.*)

23rd May – Healthy Lifestyle Evening 3.30pm – 5.00pm on the school field (*All welcome!*)

24th May - School Closes for Half Term (*Normal Times*)

3rd June – School opens for pupils and staff

W/B 3rd June – Year 6 Laches Wood Residential (*4-night stay away in Coven, returning home time on Friday 7th June.*)

5th June – Nursery induction evening – 6.30pm KS1 Hall (*Invited parents only.*)

W/B 10th June – Year 1 Phonic Screening Test Week (*All Year 1 pupils must be present.*)

14th June – Nursery photos, Year 6 Leavers' photos and whole school photograph to celebrate 70th anniversary since Five Ways was opened (*More details to follow.*)

17th June – Year 3 Sports 10.00am

17th June – Year 6 Sports 1.30pm

18th June – Year 4 Sports 10.00am

18th June – Year 5 Sports 1.30pm

19th June – Nursery Sports 10.00am

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

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KS2 Artwork

Last week Roz, who is an artist from Complex Simplicity, worked with pupils in KS2 throughout the day creating a piece of artwork for 'Staffordshire Day', which is celebrated on 1st May. The day was organised by 'We Are Staffordshire' for their 'Create Something' project. Pupils discussed what their local area meant to them and local landmarks, with the popular choice being Cannock Chase. Roz pieced together the collaborative work completed by our pupils on a large canvas, which will be displayed at Lichfield Cathedral during Staffordshire Day 2024 (Monday 29th April to Monday 6th May). Pictured here (left to right): Ella H, Holly H and Poppy R. Well done to our very artistic and talented pupils who took part in this project!



PTFA News!

Summer Fayre – Sunday 7th July – 12 midday to 3.00pm –

Planning continues ahead of our fundraising event of the year!

We are very excited about the upcoming, spectacular event – save the date in your calendar! If you would like to get involved by helping, please let us know via the school office.



Five Ways Lottery – Well done to last week's winners. Tickets can be bought by following the link: www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/five-ways-primary-school

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