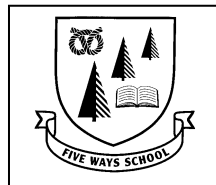


# Newsletter



Mrs R. Mander - Headteacher

7<sup>th</sup> June 2024

## Sports Days

Please be reminded of the Sports Day dates listed below, as well as the reserved dates in case of poor weather.

Year Group	Date and Time	Reserved Date
Nursery	Wednesday 19th June 10.00am	Wednesday 26th June 10.00am
Reception	Thursday 20th June 10.00am	Thursday 27th June 10.00am
Year 1	Tuesday 25th June 10.00am	Wednesday 3rd July 10.00am
Year 2	Thursday 20th June 1.30pm	Thursday 27th June 1.30pm
Year 3	Monday 17th June 10.00am	Monday 1st July 10.00am
Year 4	Tuesday 18th June 10.00am	Tuesday 2nd July 10.00am
Year 5	Tuesday 18th June 1.30pm	Tuesday 25th June 1.30pm
Year 6	Monday 17th June 1.30pm	Monday 1st July 1.30pm

## Forthcoming Dates:

### Week beginning

10th June 2024 –

### Menu week 3.



W/B 10th June – Year 1 Phonic Screening Test Week (*All Year 1 pupils must be present.*)  
14th June – Year 6 Leavers' photos and whole school photograph to celebrate 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary since Five Ways was opened.  
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  
18th June – PTFA Meeting 7.15pm – KS1 Staffroom (*All Parents Welcome*)  
19th June – Nursery Sports 10.00am  
20th June – Reception Sports 10.00am  
20th June – Year 2 Sports 1.30pm  
21st June - School Closed for Staff Training INSET Day  
24th June - School Closed for Staff Training INSET Day  
25th June – Year 1 Sports 10.00am  
25th June – Reserved Date Year 5 Sports 1.30pm  
26th June – Reserved Date Nursery Sports 10.00am  
27th June – Reserved Date Reception Sports 10.00am  
27th June – Reserved Date Year 2 Sports 1.30pm  
***Further dates will be added as we progress through the year.***

## Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2024 – SCHOOL CLOSED

As I am sure you are aware from media coverage, a General Election is taking place on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July and Five Ways will be used as a Polling Station. For this reason, school will be **CLOSED** for **ALL** pupils, including Year 6 pupils, on this day. I would like to apologise for any inconvenience caused. Please be aware that our Open Evening and annual Art Award presentation, planned for 4<sup>th</sup> July, will now take place a day earlier on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – all welcome!



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## Attendance

As it is now June, I am able to provide you with the monthly attendance report related to May. The percentage attendance for the whole school for May was 93%, which falls below our high expectation of 97%. Year 6 achieved the highest monthly attendance of 94% and Miss Lane's class in Year 4, achieved an attendance of 96%.



Reception	93%
Y1	93%
Y2	91%
Y3	93%
Y4	92%
Y5	92%
Y6	94%

As a reward for the highest attendance in May, Year 6 pupils will receive an extra five minutes of playtime. 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.***

## Retirement



On 24<sup>th</sup> May, we said goodbye to Mr Painting, who was one of our Site Technicians (caretakers). Mr Painting has been a valued member of the team at Five Ways for many years and was popular with pupils, parents and staff. Mr Painting has now commenced his well-earned retirement. Pictured here is Catherine N and Grayson M in Year 2, presenting Mr Painting with some special cards and retirement gifts.

## Whole School Photo and Year 6 Leavers' Photographs

Please be aware that Year 6 leavers' photos, and a whole school photograph to celebrate the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary since Five Ways was opened, are taking place on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June by Tempest photographers. All children are expected to wear normal school uniform on this day due to photographs taking place. Please be aware that any PE lessons due to take place on 14<sup>th</sup> June, will be rearranged for another day, if possible.



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### Sporting Success



I am pleased to report that Mollie L, who is in Mr Ferguson's class in Year 3, took part in a gymnastics competition and achieved 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the floor, 3<sup>rd</sup> place in vault and joint 1<sup>st</sup> place overall. Mollie has worked very hard practising her routine and has shown huge commitment to her gymnastics. Congratulations Mollie; this is amazing news!

### Safety in the Sun

In light of the warmer weather, please ensure sun cream is applied to your child before arriving at school and that they have a sunhat and bottle of water in school. Nursery and Reception pupils are supplied with drinks of water throughout the day and do not need to bring a bottle of water to school.



### School Closure – INSET Days

This is a reminder that school will be closed for pupils on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June and on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June for staff training (INSET Days). School will re-open on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June.



### Damage to Local Parks

As several of the local parks are suffering from anti-social behaviour and vandalism on an evening and weekend, Cannock District Council are asking parents to report any ASB or vandalism that they might witness whilst enjoying the park.

This can be done by calling the Police on 101 or by reporting it online at:

<https://www.staffordshire.police.uk/ro/report/asb/asb-v3/report-antisocial-behaviour/>

Crime-stoppers via <https://crimestoppers-uk.org/give-information/forms/give-information-anonymously> or Calling 0800 555 111

Please be reassured that the Police, PCSO, Community Support Officers and Youth Engagement Teams are working to engage with those carrying out the damage however, any insight to times/dates and who is involved, would be greatly appreciated to try and stop this problem from escalating further. Thank you.

The aim is for everyone to be able to enjoy the parks and open spaces safely.



### Good Luck Year 1!

I would like to wish all of our Year 1 pupils the best of luck next week when they take part in their phonics screening assessments. I know you have all worked very hard and will do your very best.



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## Super Week for Year 6 at Laches Wood

I am thrilled to report that the Year 6 staff and Senior Leadership Team have had an excellent week away with the Year 6 pupils during their 4-night residential trip to Laches Wood. Pupils have behaved extremely well and have shown perseverance, resilience, teamwork and an excellent enthusiastic attitude whilst taking part in their outdoor activities. On behalf of the Year 6 pupils, I would like to thank all of the staff from Five Ways who gave up their own time with their families to take our Year 6 pupils away.

Photographs of our adventures can be viewed on our school website in the 'Information for Parents' section, and by clicking on 'Laches Wood 2024'.



## PTFA News!

**Raffle Tickets** – We have exciting news! Raffle tickets have been sent home today. We are pleased to announce that the Grand Raffle will be drawn at the Summer Fayre on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2024. Please complete and return completed stubs and payment in the envelope provided back to your child's classteacher by Friday 28th June. Please return any unwanted books so they can be re-sold. A range of amazing prizes can be won including: family photoshoot, restaurant vouchers, family day trips, £50 garden centre voucher, £50 Ruby Doo voucher. More prizes are being added all the time! Please visit our private Facebook page: **'The PTFA Group for Fiveways Primary School'** for more information.



If you require additional tickets, these are available for purchase by visiting our PTA dashboard [www.pta-events.co.uk/fiveways](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/fiveways) or scanning the QR code opposite. Please feel free to share with family and friends and remember that all money raised goes directly to benefiting the children, so please do support us if you can.

**Ice Creams and Lollies** – We are excited to be able to offer for sale a selection of ice creams and lollies after school next week. Please join the PTFA from 3.15pm – 3.45pm on the field on Friday 14th June, Friday 28th June, Friday 5th July and Friday 12th July. Please note, that this is a CASH only event! More information will be sent home next week.

**Summer Fayre – Sunday 7th July – 11.30am to 3.00pm – (Please note the earlier start time.)** We are counting down the weeks until our flagship event! Only 4 weeks to go! There are lots of jobs to do in preparation for the fayre. The PTFA are looking for volunteers to help at the fayre; if you are able to help set up, run a stall or help clear away afterwards, please pass your name to the school office. All help is gratefully received.



**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](http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/five-ways-primary-school)

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