# Newsletter



Mrs R. Mander - Headteacher

12th July 2024

'Welcome' Meetings It was lovely to see so many parents in attendance at the recent 'Welcome' to year group meetings that were held this week in the KS1 Hall. We received some wonderful feedback from parents about the content and delivery of the presentations. I would like to thank all of the parents who attended, and thank the staff involved for all of their hard work when preparing the information for the presentations. The final two 'Welcome' meetings are taking place as follows:

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July – Welcome to Year 3, 6.00pm, KS1 Hall. Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July - Welcome to Year 4, 7.15pm, KS1 Hall.

#### **Summer Fayre Success!**

On behalf of all of the staff and members of the PTFA, I would like to thank everyone who was involved with Sunday's outstanding Summer Fayre. It was an amazing event raising lots of money for the school! (The total amount raised will be announced as soon as possible by the treasurer of the PTFA.) The summer fayre would not have been possible without the support of the small army of volunteers from the PTFA, and all of the staff from Five Ways, who kindly helped to set up the fayre, supervised the stalls and cleared away afterwards. The success of the fayre was also due to the hundreds of visitors who gave so generously during the afternoon, as well as all of the people who contributed towards the event in the form of donating prizes, etc. The atmosphere during the fayre was tremendous and it was such a privilege to see so many families enjoying themselves at such an amazing event! Thank you to everyone involved!

# Forthcoming Dates: Week beginning 15th July 2024 – Menu week 2.



15th July – Nursery End of Year Show 10.30am Miss Kershaw's Class - KS1 Hall 15th July – Welcome to Year 3 Meeting – 6.00pm KS1 Hall

15th July – Welcome to Year 4 Meeting – 7.15pm KS1 Hall

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16th July - Nursery End of Year Show
10.30am - Miss Mackley's Class KS1 Hall
17th July - Year 6 Sports 1.30pm
18th July - Nursery and Reception Parties
during the school day

18th July – Year 6 Leavers' Concert – 2.00pm KS1 Hall

18th July – Year 6 Leavers' Meal – 6.00pm – 7.15pm KS1 Hall

18th July PTFA End Of Year Discos Ticket Holders ONLY - KS2 Hall – Y1: 4.15pm – 5.00pm Y2: 5.15pm – 6.00pm Y3 & Y4: 6.15pm – 7.15pm Year 5 & 6: 7.30pm-8.30pm

19th July - School Closes for summer break - Normal Times

#### September 2024

2nd September - School Closed for Staff Training INSET Day 3rd September - School Closed for Staff Training INSET Day 4th September - School Opens for Pupils

A list of important dates for the next academic year will be sent home as soon as they are finalised.

## **Enterprise Project**

Thank you to all of the parents and family members who were able to support the Enterprise Project during our Open Evening last week. Pupils were extremely proud of their products and are looking forward to their end of term treats, which are being paid for with the profits made! Thank you everyone.



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Year Six Leavers Next week will see many activities for our Year 6 leavers. There will be a disco and a leavers' meal however, the highlight of the week for our Year 6 pupils, will be their Year 6 Leavers' Concert. I am sure that the pupils will perform to an incredible standard and put on an outstanding show!

This cohort of pupils have been a credit to themselves, their families and to our school. I am sure you will want to join me in wishing each and every one of them every success for the future.

Good luck Year 6! Five Ways will miss you.

#### **Sports Days**

Please be reminded of the Year 6 upcoming Sports Day date that is still to take place.

Year Group	Date and Time
Year 6	Wednesday 17th July 1.30pm

I look forward to seeing Year 6 family members there!



#### Goodbyes!

It is with great sadness that we must say goodbye to some members of staff at the end of this academic year. Mrs Marsh, who is one of our PE Leads and a Year 4 registration teacher, will be leaving Five Ways to peruse other endeavours.



Mrs Marsh has been a significant part of the Five Ways team for many years, and has played an important role in our school's success, particularly in our PE department. Mr Doughty, who is a Year 5 registration teacher, has been a valued member of the Five Ways team and will be leaving us next Friday. We wish him well as he moves to another school to take on a leading role within their PE department. Mrs De Leq Le Montais, who works in the school office, is retiring at the end of this term. Mrs De Leq Le Montais has also been a valued member of the team at Five Ways for many years. Ms Outen, who teaches music to our Reception children, is also leaving to commence her well-deserved retirement. We are also going to be saying goodbye to Miss Holyhead, who is a Teaching Assistant in KS1. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the staff who are leaving, for their commitment to Five Ways, and wish them the very best for the future. We will miss you incredibly!

#### **End of Year Reports**

This is a reminder that pupils' End of Year reports have been emailed home today. I am sure that you will enjoy reading about your child's achievements during this academic year! Please do not hesitate to speak to your child's classteacher if you have any questions after reading the end of year report.

Thank you.

#### **Transition Activities**

I would like to congratulate all pupils who were involved in the transition 'half days' this week; pupils conducted themselves in such a sensible way, and I hope they feel reassured about meeting their new teacher again in September. Some transition visits are still due to take place next week, and parents of whose children who are affected by this have been

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#### **Rhythmic Gymnastics Success!**

I am pleased to report that Alexandrina T, who is in Mrs Darby's class in Year 3, took part in a rhvthmic gymnastics competition and won two gold medals. one silver and one bronze! Well done Alexandrina: this is amazing news!



#### **Dance Success!**

I am pleased to report that Isla B and Mila A, both from Year 2, have taken part in their dance school summer showcase. This was Mila's first performance and she did ballet, tap and jazz. Isla

took part in three shows over the week performing ballet, tap, jazz, street and musical theatre. She also took on her first speaking role! Both girls were amazing and worked very hard over the last few months to ensure their performances were outstanding! Well done girls; this is amazing news!



<u>Chocolate Bar Competition Winner!</u> Recently, KS2 pupils had an opportunity to enter a competition to design a new chocolate bar for the local Heath Hayes artisan chocolate shop 'Chocolate Treasures'. Daniel, at Chocolate Treasures, received 548 entries and I am pleased to announce that Evie H, who is in Miss Lane's class in Year 4, won the competition! She has won

a £50 voucher to spend at Chocolate Treasures, but more excitingly her chocolate bar will be made and available to purchase in the Heath Hayes shop. Evie's entry was called 'Sparkly Smores' and it contains marshmallows, melted chocolate and crackers. Evie even designed a lovely wrapper for her bar which will also be used for the actual chocolate bar. Well done Evie!



#### End of Term PTFA Discos for Year 1 to Year 6 - Thursday 18th July 2024

Tickets are on sale now! Please be aware that tickets can ONLY be purchased via the PTA dashboard <a href="www.pta-events.co.uk/fiveways">www.pta-events.co.uk/fiveways</a> and are not available to purchase via the school office. The deadline for purchasing a digital ticket is strictly <a href="14th July">14th July</a>. It is important to stress that <a href="NO">NO</a> tickets will be available to purchase on the door. (Please be aware that Year 6 pupils, who are attending their Leavers' meal before the disco, still require a digital ticket for the disco, that has been purchased in advance.)

Nursery and Reception parties will take place on Thursday 18th July, during the school day.

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