

Newsletter



Mrs R. Mander - Headteacher

25th October 2024

Harvest

Thank you to all those families who have shown their support towards our Harvest Fundraising Campaign by donating food that will be distributed to the local community. You can see how generous everyone has been in the photograph!



Half Term Please note, that school closes today for half term, and will re-open on Monday 4th November. I would like to wish you all a lovely half term break with your family and friends.

OPAL Play Donations I would like to say a huge thank you to all those families who were able to donate toys or a monetary donation in support of our OPAL non-uniform day. We have received an incredible amount of toys, which is fantastic!



Polling Day Confirmed Please be aware that we have been advised by the Local Authority that Five Ways will be required for use as a Polling Station on **Thursday 1st May 2025**. The Year 6 residential trip to Laches Wood will still go ahead as planned however, this is advanced notice that school will be **CLOSED** to all other pupils on **Thursday 1st May 2025**. I would like to make parents aware that the Returning Officer has the right by law to make use of any school premises for the purpose of an election. Consequently, schools cannot refuse such a request despite the inconvenience it may cause.

Forthcoming Dates:



Week beginning 4th November 2024 – Menu week 3.

25th October - School Closes for Half Term (*Normal Times*)

1st November – Deadline for placing Christmas Card/Merchandise Orders Online (***Please see your child's Christmas card design sent home.***)

4th November - School Opens for staff and pupils

W/B 11th November - Anti-Bullying Week (*More details to follow*)

12th November – PTFA Meeting – 7.15pm KS1 Staffroom – *All Welcome!*

15th November - Children in Need Day (*More details to follow*)

22nd November - Enrichment Day - International Day (*More details to follow*)

3rd December Year 3 & Year 4 Theatre Trip (Wolverhampton Grand Theatre – Beauty and the Beast)

5th December – Reception Christmas Service – 2.15pm KS1 Hall

6th December – Reception Christmas Service – 10.00am KS1 Hall

9th December – Year 2 Christmas Service – 2.15pm KS1 Hall (A – L Surnames only)

10th December – Year 2 Christmas Service – 10.00am KS1 Hall (M – Z Surnames only)

10th December – Year 1 Christmas Service – 2.15pm KS1 Hall

11th December – Year 1 Christmas Service – 10.00am KS1 Hall

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

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Tesco Pumpkin Competition

This month, Year 5 pupils have been involved in a community competition, where Tesco have donated ten large pumpkins for them to decorate. Twenty of our Year 5 pupils gave up their lunchtimes to design, draw, paint and hot glue gun these fantastic creations. Tesco have collected five of our pumpkins to display in their Heath Hayes store and we are lucky enough to be able to keep the others, which are on display in the KS1 Art Gallery / library. Once on display in Tesco, there will be a customer vote and trophies will be awarded to the top three from schools throughout the district. We really do have a creative bunch here at Five Ways, well done everyone!



Sporting Success!

I am pleased to report that Milli N, who is in Mrs Lindsay's class in Year 5, competed in her very first Jiu-Jitsu competition recently. Milli came first in her category and won her very first gold medal! Well done Milli, this is super news!



Holiday Club at Five Ways!

This is a reminder that JC Academy will be providing a holiday club for pupils during the October half term. For further information or to book your child a place, please follow the link: www.jcacademy.co.uk

Admission into Reception

Nursery parents are asked to refer to the letter sent home on 11th October, detailing the application process for your child to be admitted into our Reception cohort in September 2025. Online applications need to be submitted by **15th January 2025 at the latest.**

PTFA News!

Christmas Cards and Merchandise

- Parents are still able to purchase Christmas cards and merchandise that have been designed by their children. Christmas card proofs contain all the information required to order your child's Christmas cards and merchandise. The deadline for orders to be placed is **1st November 2024.**

Christmas Jumpers

– If you have any unwanted Christmas jumpers that your child has outgrown, the PTFA would like to ask kindly that you donate them to school. The jumpers will be made available on the PTFA dashboard www.pta-events.co.uk/fiveways from 8th November (for a small donation) for children to wear over the festive period. Please send any Christmas jumpers that are in a **good** condition into the school office by **4th November.** Thank you.

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