

Newsletter



Mrs R. Mander - Headteacher

11th April 2025

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 yesterday. 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 – Logan M-S
Reception – Paisley-Grace P
Year 1 – Iris T
Year 2 – Georgie B

Year 3 – Jake O
Year 4 – Mollie L
Year 5 – Poppy B
Year 6 – Celie B.

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

1st – Mollie L from Year 4
2nd – Logan M-S from Nursery
3rd – Poppy B from Year 5.



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

Forthcoming Dates:

Week beginning

28th April 2025 –

Menu week 1 of the new menus issued.



28th April – School Opens for staff and pupils.

w/c 28th April – Year 6 Laches Wood Residential (*4-night stay away in Coven, Wolverhampton.*)

1st May – School CLOSED for all pupils due to it being used as a Polling Station.

2nd May – Flip and Dippy Clown Show 6.30pm – 8.00pm (*Ticket holders only.*)

5th May - School Closed - Bank Holiday

6th May – PFTA Meeting – KS1 Staff Room 7.15pm (*All Welcome*)

7th, 8th, 9th May – Year 5 Dearne Valley Residential (*2-night stay away in Doncaster.*)

W/B 12th May - KS2 Assessments all week (***All 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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Swimming Success

I am pleased to report that Lottie W, who is in Year 1 in Miss Wilson's class, has recently achieved her swimming badge for swimming 1 mile/1600 metres. Lottie is only 6 years old. Well done Lottie, this is amazing news!



Easter Holidays

Please note, that school closes for Easter today and will re-open on Monday 28th April for pupils and staff. I hope you all have a relaxing Easter break.



NSPCC Online Safety

Children are growing up in a time where screens are everywhere and the internet plays a big part in their lives, even from a very young age. This can be beneficial, they can learn new things, connect with friends and family, and have fun. However, it is important to have conversations on how to explore the online world safely. To help and support parents the NSPCC have created Techosaurus specifically to make these conversations as easy as possible for you and your child. Techosaurus will help your child to form healthy online habits, routines and behaviours from a young age, and build basic knowledge and skills related to online safety. For more information please visit: [Help keep children safe online with Techosaurus! | NSPCC](https://www.techosaurus.org.uk/) .

NSPCC

Football News! The journey has come to an end! Five Ways came up against a very competitive and well organised Codsall Middle School. Mr Ferguson wrote, 'The rivalry between both of these teams goes back years and we were guaranteed a close game with both teams being a very good standard. There was very little between the teams but unfortunately Five Ways lost the game 2-1. The result was even more meaningful being the Semi Final of the County Cup. Every player gave their all and their gracious and respectful attitude to losing was complete credit to both parents and Five Ways. We could not be prouder of you boys!' Well done everyone!

Back row (left to right): Ethan H, Harrison D-Y, Ethan G, Harry S, Charlie K, Bradley B, Oscar H. Front row (left to right): Logan K, Logan J, Joe T, Finley B.



Attendance and Raising Little Heroes Regularly being absent from school can lead to a significant loss of learning opportunities, potentially putting your child at a disadvantage later in life. If your child has 95% attendance, which means 9 days off school, it can significantly affect their performance, making it unlikely they will meet the expected standards in reading, writing, and maths. If your child has 90% attendance, missing 19 days of school, this can cause your child's academic performance to drop by up to 50%. For more information from Staffordshire County Council on supporting parents to help your child to attend school every day, please see the leaflet sent home today with this week's newsletter, and help raise little heroes.



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