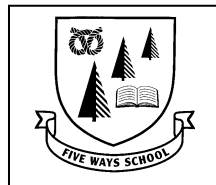


# Newsletter



Mrs R. Mander - Headteacher

11th July 2025

## '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.



## Musical Theatre Success!

I am proud to report that Sofia M, who is in Miss Heeley's class in Year 1, and Mila W, who is in Miss Buchan's class in Year 1, both performed in a summer fiesta show recently. They performed a summer theme song, dance and poem as part of their musical theatre group! Sofia and Mila were amazing in what was their last infant show before they both move up to the junior musical theatre group after the summer break! Sofia and Mila's family are very proud, and is everyone at Five Ways! Well done girls!



## Forthcoming Dates:

### Week beginning

**14th July 2025 –**

### Menu week 2.



14th July – Nursery End of Year Show  
10.15am Miss Kershaw's Class - KS1 Hall

15th July - Nursery End of Year Show  
10.15am – Mrs Mackley's Class - KS1 Hall

17th July – Nursery and Reception parties during the school day

17th July – Year 6 Leavers' Concert –  
2.00pm KS1 Hall

17th July – Year 6 Leavers' Meal – 6.00pm  
– 7.15pm KS1 Hall (***Ticket holders only.***)

17th 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
- Y5 & 6: 7.30pm – 8.30pm

18th July - School Closes for summer break - Normal Times

## **September 2025**

1st September - School Closed for Staff Training INSET Day

2nd September - School Closed for Staff Training INSET Day

3rd 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 6 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.



### **Summer Fayre Postponed**

It is with regret that our Summer Fayre had to be postponed however, the weather was terrible when we arrived at school and this prevented us from setting up. We are in the process of rearranging our fayre for sometime early in the autumn term 2025. Parents will be informed once a date has been confirmed.

### **Chair of Governors**

I would like to share with you that, sadly, our Chair of Governors, Mr Richard Burden, has made the difficult decision to step down from his role on the Governing Body. This has not been an easy choice for Mr Burden however, it comes as a result of increasing work commitments and personal reasons related to his family. With his youngest daughter, Celie, now leaving Five Ways and transitioning to high school, this marks a natural point of change for Mr Burden and his family. I would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Mr Burden for his unwavering dedication, leadership, and the many contributions he has made to Five Ways over the years. He will be greatly missed, as will his family, who have been an integral part of our school community for so long. A new Chairperson will be appointed to the Governing Body in the autumn term of 2025, and I will keep you informed of this appointment once it has been made.

### **Meal Costs**

This is a reminder that in line with the increased cost of ingredients from suppliers, Governors have agreed a small price increase in the cost of our school meals. From September 2025, a Nursery school meal will cost £2.00, and a KS2 school meal will cost £2.70. I am sure you will agree that this still represents excellent value for money, for such well prepared and delicious food.



### **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 class teacher 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.



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## My Happy Mind

An important part of life at Five Ways is celebrating the achievements of our pupils. You will be aware that as a school, we take part in the 'myHappymind' well-being programme to support pupils' mental health. As part of the programme, we hold half termly 'End of Module' assemblies where pupils who have engaged well in the 'myHappymind' modules and have been an ambassador for the programme, receive a certificate in front of the rest of their year group as a celebration of their engagement. The pupils who have received a certificate this half term are listed here:

**Year 1:** Frankie-Lei M, Harlee P, Jessica A, Isabelle F, Zara P, Maggie C

**Year 2:** Amelia-Rose M, Bertie O R, Scarlett H, Harriett R, Freddie M, Arlen H

**Year 3:** Troy S, Isla-Rose T, Eva M, Frankie B, Oskar S, Ellie B

**Year 4:** Olivia R, Freddie S, Lila S, George T, Thomas W, Isabelle N

**Year 5:** Poppy B, Ella D, Millie N, Stephen G, William G, Daniel C

**Year 6:** Amber R, Bradley B, Sharnee T, Lacey F, Oscar H, Jessica S.



Well done everyone! We are very proud of you!

## Reading Ambassadors

Mrs Darby, Miss Malpass, and Mrs Hill have recently recruited 25 Reading Ambassadors from across year groups from Year 1 to Year 5. The Reading Ambassadors will meet with Mrs Darby, Miss Malpass and Mrs Hill once every half term, to discuss how we can promote reading for pleasure.

Reading Ambassadors will help to promote reading for enjoyment across the school in lots of different ways. They will also be involved in:

- sharing recommendations and book reviews with the school. This may include working with our School Council members to talk about great reads in assemblies.
- working together to contribute to a newsletter, sharing recommended reads with parents too
- pre-reading new books in the class libraries across the year groups and writing reviews to go alongside some of the books
- reading picture books to the younger year groups
- organising book-themed activities and keeping reading areas in school tidy and up to date.

The pupils who were chosen successfully to be our Reading Ambassadors until July 2026 are:

**Year 1** Isabelle D, Iris T, Alex D

**Year 2** Olivia H, Peyton B, Harriet R

**Year 3** Erin B, Eva M, Maddison W, Lily W, Poppy C, Arden G, Kai N, Isla B

**Year 4** Isabelle N, Lucrezia H, Sophia W, Jack A, Mollie J

**Year 5** Bella H, Toby P, Primrose B, Oliver L, Georgia R, Huw W.



Well done everyone!

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