

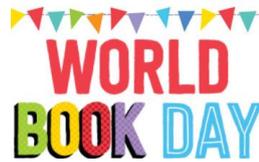
# Newsletter



Mrs R. Mander - Headteacher

13th March 2026

**World Book Day** We had a fantastic time last Thursday when we celebrated World Book Day. Photographs of everyone having such an enjoyable time will be included in the INFORM Magazine due for publication before Easter! Well done everyone!



## **Forthcoming Dates:**

**Week beginning**  
**16th March 2026 –**  
**Menu week 1.**



20th March - Comic Relief Day – Red Nose Day (*More details on page 3 of this newsletter.*)

26th March – Year 1 Easter bonnet parade – 2.45pm KS2 playground

26th March – PTFA Easter Egg Hunt – after school from 3.30pm onwards (*Ticket holders only.*)

27th March – School Closes for Easter Break (*Normal Times*)

13th April – School Opens for staff and pupils

w/c 13th April – Year 6 Laches Wood Residential (4-night stay away in Coven, Wolverhampton.)

4th May – School Closed – Bank Holiday

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

## **'Above and Beyond' Recognition**

I am pleased to inform you that the following children were recognised last week and this week for demonstrating behaviours that go 'Above and Beyond' our school rules of being kind and respectful, being safe and being ready. Congratulations to the following children. I hope you enjoyed your biscuits and juice with me in the Boardroom!

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2026:

Year 1: Clayton T, Eveleigh K, Freddie W  
Year 2: Amelia W, Rheo K, Frankie M  
Year 3: Antonio M, Peyton B, Grace R  
Year 4: Erin B, Annabelle L, Lola O  
Year 5: Charlotte B, Alexandrina T, Jorge F  
Year 6: Daniel T, Huw W, Marnie W

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2026:

Year 1: Billy B, Isabella A, Billy C  
Year 2: Matilda G, Aidan James H, Levi N  
Year 3: Rudy G, Nellie K, Emilia J  
Year 4: Logan H, Charlie H, Quinn L  
Year 5: Darcie F, Noah D, Jessica G  
Year 6: Rosie T, Mila S, Roman G



## **Holiday Club!**

JC Academy will be providing a holiday club for pupils during the Easter break. For further information or to book your child a place, please follow the link: [www.jcacademy.co.uk](http://www.jcacademy.co.uk) or see the flyer sent home today with the newsletter.



## **Sponsor Money**

Thank you to all those families who were able to return sponsor money in support of our Maths Day and active maths activities. We raised a total of **£1775.36**. This is amazing! Funds raised will go towards purchasing additional learning resources for each year group.



## **Five Ways Primary School**

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### Sports Success!

I am pleased to report that Megan C, who is in Miss Wright's class in Year 4, has taken part in the Staffordshire County Gymnastics Competition. Megan's results were 4<sup>th</sup> on Vault, 5<sup>th</sup> on Beam, 6<sup>th</sup> on Bars, Floor, Range and Conditioning and the 'All Around'. Well done Megan - you are fantastic and very talented!



### Comic Relief Day

This is a reminder that on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March, Five Ways will be supporting Comic Relief Day. Pupils are asked to bring their red noses to school on this day and will be able to wear them during break times for a monetary donation. Alternatively, pupils can wear an item of red clothing, e.g. socks, hair band, if they do not have a red nose, in exchange for a monetary donation. (Suggested amount of £1, payable via Parent Pay.) Thank you in advance for all donations received.

**Reporting an Absence** If your child is absent from school, please inform us by 8:45am on the morning of their absence. Absences should be reported via email to: **attendance@fiveways.staffs.sch.uk**. Thank you.

**My Happy Mind** 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:** Rory J, Evie B, George H. **Year 2:** Eleanor B, Connor M, Frankie H. **Year 3:** Arlen H, Isabella J, Alfie E. **Year 4:** Eva M, Finley T, Maddison W. **Year 5:** Bradley C, Amelia-Neve S, Sofia S. **Year 6:** Isabella H, Amaia S, Theo E. Well done everyone! We are very proud of you!

**Athletics News!** On Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February, a Year 6 team took part in the County Sports Hall Athletics event. The competition brought together schools from across the county. Miss Myatt wrote, 'The atmosphere was buzzing with excitement from the moment we walked into the sports hall. From the very start, our team showed incredibly high spirits. Everyone cheered each other on, whether they were racing a track event or were competing in a field event. What made the day truly special was the way our pupils supported one another. Most importantly, everyone represented our school fantastically. We showed excellent sportsmanship and all participants should be extremely proud of themselves. Whether we won, placed, or simply gave it our all, we knew we had achieved something important. Well done everyone!'



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## Attendance

As it is now March, I am able to provide you with the attendance report for the month of February. The percentage attendance for the whole school for February was 98%, which is amazing. Year 3 achieved the highest overall monthly attendance of 97% and Mrs Lindsay's class in Year 5, achieved an attendance of 98%, both of which are outstanding!

Reception	96%
Y1	96%
Y2	95%
Y3	97%
Y4	95%
Y5	96%
Y6	96%



As a reward for attendance, the year group with the highest attendance figure each month will receive an extra five minutes of playtime. Well done to Year 3 who were the winning year group in February. 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.*

**Athletics News!** Twelve of our Year 4 pupils showed fantastic determination and team spirit at the recent County Sports Hall Indoor Athletics event. Miss Myatt wrote, 'From the very first race to the final relay, everyone worked together brilliantly, cheering each other on and celebrating each other's efforts. The support from the side-line's was just as impressive as the performances on the track and in the field, creating a great atmosphere throughout the morning's competition. With strong teamwork, positive attitudes and lots of encouragement for one another, the team achieved a superb result, finishing in fifth place out of nine schools. Well done everyone!'



## PTFA News!

**Chocolate Wrapper Design Competition** – Entry fee £1 payable via the PTFA dashboard. Please return completed designs (using the template sent home last week) by Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March ready for judging. Good luck everyone! Tickets are available to purchase on the PTFA dashboard until midnight on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March: [www.pta-events.co.uk/fiveways](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/fiveways).

**Egg Decorating Competition** – Entry fee £1 payable via the PTFA dashboard. Please bring eggs to school on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March ready for judging. Good luck everyone! Tickets are available to purchase on the PTFA dashboard until midnight Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March: [www.pta-events.co.uk/fiveways](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/fiveways).



**Easter Egg Hunt** – 26<sup>th</sup> March – Tickets are £2.50 and are available to purchase on the PTFA dashboard until midnight on 22<sup>nd</sup> March: [www.pta-events.co.uk/fiveways](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/fiveways).

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