

# Newsletter



Mrs R. Mander - Headteacher

27<sup>th</sup> March 2026

## Comic Relief Day

I would like to thank everyone who supported Comic Relief Day last Friday. I am pleased to report that £334.30 was raised in support of the charity.



## Forthcoming Dates:

**Week beginning**

**13<sup>th</sup> April 2026 –**

**Menu week 1 of the new menus issued.**



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

**7th May – School CLOSED for all pupils due to it being used as a Polling Station.**

6th, 7th, 8th May – Year 5 Dearne Valley Residential (*2-night stay away in Doncaster.*)

W/B 11th May - KS2 Assessments all week (*Y6 pupils must be present.*)

13th May – Reception Induction Evening – 6.00pm KS1 Hall (Invited parents only.)

22nd May - School Closes for Half Term (Normal Times)

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

## PTFA Easter Boiled Egg Decoration Competition

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 last week. 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: Leo W

Reception: Phoenix T

Year 1: Ruby E

Year 2: Max W

Year 3: Payton B

Year 4: Maddison W

Year 5: Ozzy N

Year 6: Poppy B

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

1st – Poppy B from Year 6

2nd – Ruby E from Year 1

3rd – Phoenix T from Reception



## Easter Holidays

Please note, that school closes for Easter today and will re-open on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April for pupils and staff. I hope you all have a relaxing Easter break.



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## INFORM Magazine

I have pleasure in informing you that our termly information magazine (INFORM) will be 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!

### Holiday Club at Five Ways!

This is a reminder that JC Academy will be providing a holiday club for pupils during Easter starting on 30<sup>th</sup> March. There are still some places available! For further information or to book your child a place, please follow the link:

[www.jcacademy.co.uk](http://www.jcacademy.co.uk)

You can also view their promotional video to gain a flavour of the provision provided. Please follow this link:

<https://youtu.be/QxmDLwhCJMI>



### 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.



### PTFA Chocolate Wrapper Design Competition

We were also delighted to admire the fantastic chocolate wrapper designs entered into this year's PTFA competition, which took place last week. The creativity, care and attention that pupils put into their work were evident in every design. I am pleased to share that the winners from each year group were as follows:

Nursery: Emelia F	Year 3: Emilia J
Reception: Isla H	Year 4: Erin B
Year 1: Amber P	Year 5: Mollie L
Year 2: Maggie C	Year 6: Cece N

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

1st – Isla H from Reception  
2nd – Erin B from Year 4  
3rd – Mollie L from Year 5



Well done everyone!

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## Football News!

On Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March, our Year 5/6 boys' football squad participated in a district competition at Norton Canes Primary School. Mr Redpath wrote, 'Torrential rain and extremely challenging pitch conditions made passing, dribbling and shooting skills very, very difficult. Considering this situation, all players continued to demonstrate a positive attitude and excellent behaviour both on and off the pitch.'

Well done everyone!

We look forward to our Year 5/6 girls' football squad participating in the next district competition on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May.



## Sporting Success!

I am pleased to report that Max B, who is in Miss Ball's class in Year 1, took place in a gymnastics competition and won his first medal! Well done Max, you are amazing!



## Sporting Success!

I am pleased to report that Grayson M, who is in Miss Myatt's class in Year 4, competed in the national Judo championships.

Grayson won all four of his fights and came home with a gold medal! Grayson has now been selected to represent the national squad at a championships in Holland during May. Well done Grayson! This is amazing news!



## Osbourne Book Prize

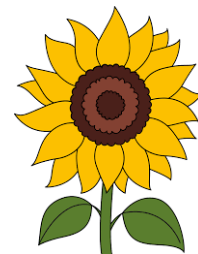
I am pleased to inform you that Five Ways won 2 bundles of books, through a local book bundle giveaway organised by 'Freya's Fables'. Thank you to everyone who voted!



## PTFA News Great Sunflower Challenge – All

pupils should have received a sunflower seed growing kit from the PTFA that was sent home last Friday. The kit is free of charge. Children are asked to grow their own sunflower just for fun, or have the option of entering the PTFA sunflower growing competition for a chance to win one of many prizes. Entry fee: £1 payable via the dashboard:

[www.pta-events.co.uk/fiveways](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/fiveways)



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