

School News



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AUTUMN TERM 2021

Thursday 21st October 2021

Dear Families,

Happy Half Term! Thank you to those families who joined us virtually for Parents Evening this week—we hope you found it an informative meeting. If any pupils test positive for COVID during half term, please continue to follow national guidance, and also email school office. I hope you all have a wonderful holiday. See you all on Monday 1st November! Mrs Highman

School Council help us to celebrate Harvest

School celebrated Harvest with a super assembly from the school councillors who explained all about our produce and where it comes from. Thank you to all families who sent in tinned donations—we had quite the spread! These were passed to Moathouse Foodbank but as this has now closed, any additional stock has now been passed to Ashmore Park foodbank.



Nurse Teresa visits

EYFS children have learnt lots about health and hygiene this fortnight with a visit from the nurse Teresa. They learnt how to make germs disappear and this week have also been learning about brushing teeth and eating healthily—they've even made some delicious fruit kebabs! Yum!

'The Music Plays On'

Last year, some of our pupils were involved in a film created by The Music Service as part of a project called 'The Music Plays On—A Story of Performance During Lockdown'.

The film is now being shown at Wolverhampton Art Gallery until Sunday 21st November. It is part of a larger exhibition in Touring Room 3 (next to the café). It would be wonderful if some of our families visited the exhibition during half term to watch the film!

Guide Dogs visit - £85

The Guide Dogs for the Blind Association visited school this week to speak to Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. We are delighted to have raised £85 to pass onto the charity—thank you for your donations. We certainly learnt lots from the visit by Carol, Terry and Flora!



TWITTER

Don't forget to follow us on Twitter @edwardeldersch for regular photo updates!

Science Fact!

There are more stars in the universe than there are grains of sand on Earth!

YEAR 6

Don't forget the deadline for secondary school applications is Sunday 31st October!

Attendance update

Congratulations to Year 6 for having the highest attendance over the last two weeks – 95.9%. Whole school attendance is 94.2%.

Christmas cards

Please look in your child's bag tonight—pupils have created a Christmas design to fundraise for school—see the letter in their bag for information!

2021-2022 KEY DATES

Friday 22nd October—INSET day—school closed to pupils

Half term: Monday 25th October to Friday 29th October 2021

Monday 1st November—School reopens after half term. Children to return Cauliflower Cards designs.

Tuesday 2nd November—PCSO session with Years 4&6

Tuesday 2nd November—Year 2 visit to Cosford

Tuesday 2nd November—Thursday 4th November—Book Fair after school (see separate letter)

Thursday 4th November—Year 6 visit Cadbury World

Thursday 11th November—individual photographs

Tuesday 16th November—PCSO session with Years 3&6

Friday 17th December—school closes at 3.15pm for Christmas holidays

Christmas holidays: Monday 20th December—Monday 3rd January

Term time Tuesday 4th January 2022—Friday 18th February 2022

Half term: Monday 21st February 2022 –Friday 25th February 2022

Term time: Monday 28th February 2022—Friday 8th April 2022

Easter holidays: Monday 11th April—Friday 22nd April

Term time: Monday 25th April 2022—Friday 27th May 2022

Half term Monday 30th May 2022—Friday 3rd June 2022

Term time: Monday 6th June 2022—Friday 22nd July 2022

Keep safe this Halloween!

If you choose to participate in any Halloween events this half term, please remember that costumes can be frightening and that not all people find Halloween activities fun and enjoyable—some find them very scary.

- Respect your friends and neighbours— if you choose to ‘trick or treat’, only visit doorsteps you know, and only those who enjoy Halloween too.
- Stay safe on the street—always go out with your parents, stay in well-lit areas and cross the road in safe places.

Keep safe this Bonfire Night!

Over the next couple of weeks, you may start attending Bonfire events. Remember:

- Never touch or go near to fireworks
- Wear gloves whilst holding a sparkler and ensure you are with an adult. Never touch a sparkler after it has gone out.
- Keep pets indoors
- Stand well back from a bonfire, in a supervised area

COVID guidance

Adults and children should self-isolate straight away and get a PCR test (a test that is sent to the lab) on GOV.UK as soon as possible if they have any of these 3 symptoms of COVID-19, even if they are mild:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

You should also self-isolate for 10 days if:

- you’ve tested positive for COVID-19 – this means you have the virus
- someone you live with has symptoms or tested positive and you are over 18 and not fully vaccinated

If you are a close contact of someone who has tested positive for Covid-19, children (under 18 years and 6 months) and adults who are fully vaccinated (this means that two weeks have passed since receiving the second dose of a Covid-19 vaccine) no longer need to self-isolate. Instead, close contacts of a positive case should:

- get a PCR test on GOV.UK to check if you have COVID-19
- follow advice on how to avoid catching and spreading COVID-19
- consider limiting contact with people who are at higher risk from COVID-19