

Dear families,

As always, we hope you find this newsletter informative. Please do spread the word amongst your friends that this newsletter is sent out.

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The Year 5 children had a fantastic time on their residential trip. They showed great resilience when challenged by the activities and the weather! It will be an experience they will remember for a lifetime and will have given them team work skills that will prove useful as they grow.

A big thank-you must go to the members of staff who accompanied the children – Miss Payne, Miss Squire, Miss Davies, Mr Barker, Mr Tidy and Mr Davies – you were fantastic.

As usual, we have a bag full of “**lost**” items. These will be on display in the dining room on **Monday after school** so please either ask your child to come and look or come yourselves. We will dispose of all items after Friday 2nd February.

Young Voices

The children represented the school wonderfully at Young Voices last week. Thank-you to Mrs Dukes, Mrs Train, Mrs Docherty and Mrs Zota who accompanied them.

Week beginning 29th January

Clubs start

Monday 29th January

Tuesday 30th January

- **Swimming Year 5**
- **Catch-up flu vaccinations for those who have been booked in**

Wednesday 31st January

Thursday 1st February

- **Swimming Year 5 – extra session**
- **Family learning 1.15pm**

Friday 2nd February

- **2nd Hand Uniform Sale 2.45 – 3.30pm – dining room**

Term Dates

Children will break up for half term on **THURSDAY 8th FEBRUARY**; school reopens on **MONDAY 19th FEBRUARY**.

A full list of term dates and main events was published on the newsletter dated 15th January (still on the school website) however the following dates are key:

Thursday 21st March: last day

Thursday 23rd May: last day

Monday 8th April: Children return

Monday 3rd June: Children return

Monday 6th May: No School (May day)

Friday 19th July: last day



SCHOOL
VALUES

PROUD
TO BE ME

ENJOY
LEARNING

ACHIEVE
SUCCESS

RESPECT FOR THE
WORLD



Keeping Children Safe

Safeguarding and Family Support

Designated Safeguarding

Lead: Mrs S Ricketts

Deputy Safeguarding Leads:

Mrs A Donnelly

Mr D Davies

Mrs R Hussain

Pastoral/ behaviour leads:

Mr D Davies and Mr M Harrold

Special Educational Needs:

Mrs E Davis-Lloyd (SENDCO)

Mrs L Montgomery (Inclusion lead)

If you have a concern about a child or wish to speak about any worries, please see one of our team. They can signpost families to additional support, if it is required.

Anyone can make a referral to Children's services.

[Children's Social Care |](#)

[Worcestershire County Council](#)

In an emergency, always ring 999.

Keeping Children Safe Online

It is everyone's responsibility to ensure children are safe in day to-day life and online. Please check your child's online activity,

- Check game age advisory notices
- Limit children's time spent online
- Set filters so that inappropriate material is blocked
- Keep phones, tablets etc out of bedrooms

Attendance update

	Week beginning 22 nd January	This half-term	This year
Reception	90.4	90	92.7
Year 1	94.7	92.8	91.6
Year 2	92.8	92.5	91.8
Year 3	93.1	92.1	93.3
Year 4	90.4	91.1	90.5
Year 5	97.1	92.1	94.1
Year 6	93.4	92.8	94.9

Please help us to look after our school and our children!

We are sad to have to write that we need your help. There are an increasing number of occasions when children from school (and their older siblings or friends) are not being properly supervised before or after school and are behaving in a way which could hurt others or damage school property.

Nursery/ Reception outdoor area

These areas are designed for children no older than 5. **Please do not let your older children play on the equipment after school.** Younger children also need to be supervised – they could hurt themselves or others. The Nursery outdoor area cost £25,000 3 years ago – the school will not have that money again to replace or repair it.

Bikes and scooters

Although we want to encourage children to use a healthy way to come to school, our school paths are not big enough to accommodate bikes or scooters being ridden. **All bikes and scooters should be walked to the school gates – not ridden around paths or on the playground.** Please remember these should be locked up during the day at the designated places.

Electric scooters must not be brought into school.

Dogs

Please do not bring dogs onto school grounds. If they are left at the school gates, they should be supervised and securely tied to railings.

After School Clubs

Letters were sent home on Friday to children who have been given a place at a club. All clubs (EXCEPT GARDENING) start this week and finish at 4pm. Please ensure your child attends – there are disappointed children who could have places which are not used.

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