

Newsletter



Mrs R. Mander - Headteacher

26th April 2024

'Welcome' Meetings for Parents

Please be aware that some of the dates of the KS1 and KS2 'Welcome' meetings have needed to be changed, due to unforeseen circumstances. Therefore, the some dates differ slightly from the original dates issued to parents previously. The rescheduled dates are as follows:

Year Group	Date	Time	Location
Welcome to Year 1	Monday 8 th July	6.00pm	KS1 Hall
Welcome to Year 2	Monday 8 th July	7.15pm	KS1 Hall
Welcome to Year 3	Wednesday 10 th July	6.00pm	KS1 Hall
Welcome to Year 4	Wednesday 10 th July	7.15pm	KS1 Hall
Welcome to Year 5	Thursday 11 th July	6.00pm	KS1 Hall
Welcome to Year 6	Thursday 11 th July	7.15pm	KS1 Hall

Amazing Achievements!

If your child/children have any amazing achievements that they have been awarded outside of school, that could be included in the our newsletter, including sports achievements, charity work, fundraising, etc. we would love to hear about it and celebrate it. Please email office@fiveways.staffs.sch.uk with a description of the special achievement and a photo of your child/children.

With your permission, we will be pleased to include the excellent news in our weekly newsletter. I am looking forward to reading about and sharing the amazing things that children from Five Ways have achieved outside of school.



Forthcoming Dates:



Week beginning 29th April 2024 – Menu week 1.

2nd May – **School CLOSED for Nursery through to Year 5 pupils, due to it being used as a Polling Station. School is OPEN as usual for ALL Year 6 pupils.**

6th May - School Closed - Bank Holiday

W/B 13th May - KS2 Assessments all week (**All Year 6 pupils must be present.**)

14th May - Reception Induction Evening - 6.30pm KS1 Hall

23rd May – Healthy Lifestyle Evening 3.30pm – 5.00pm on the school field (*All welcome*)

24th May - School Closes for Half Term (Normal Times)

3rd June – School opens for pupils and staff

W/B 3rd June – Year 6 Laches Wood Residential (4-night stay away in Coven, returning home time on Friday 7th June.)

5th June – Nursery induction evening – 6.30pm KS1 Hall

W/B 10th June – Year 1 Phonic Screening Test Week (**All Y1 Pupils must be present.**)

14th June – Whole school photograph to celebrate 70th anniversary since Five Ways was opened (*More details to follow.*)

17th June – Year 3 Sports 10.00am

17th June – Year 6 Sports 1.30pm

18th June – Year 4 Sports 10.00am

18th June – Year 5 Sports 1.30pm

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

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Year 5 Residential at Peak Venture

It gives me great pleasure to report that our Year 5 pupils have conducted themselves in a very sensible and mature manner whilst at Peak Venture outdoor education centre this week, in the Peak District. Miss Jones, our Assistant Headteacher, who attended the residential, has informed me that all pupils challenged themselves, persevered and enjoyed trying new things; pupils and staff had a very enjoyable time! I would like to take this opportunity to thank all staff who were involved in the residential visit because without their commitment to pupils at Five Ways, this trip would not have been possible. Pupils can be seen below enjoying themselves during the visit that took place from Wednesday to Friday this week. Well done everyone!



Year 6 Attendance on Polling Day – Thursday 2nd May 2024

This is a reminder that **ALL** Year 6 pupils are expected to attend school as normal on Thursday 2nd May, 2024. School will be **CLOSED** to all other year groups from Nursery to Year 5. Year 6 pupils are expected to wear their normal school PE kit uniform on 2nd May, and are required to bring a packed lunch from home on this day, unless they are eligible for free school meals and have pre-ordered a packed lunch. Year 6 parents are asked to refer to the letter and site map sent home on 22nd March, as a reminder of the organisation on the day of Thursday 2nd May.

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Parent Survey

Do you have a young child or are expecting a baby? Staffordshire County Council would like to hear your views on childcare and how you are (or planning) to access it.

As you may have heard, the Government is making changes and expanding the amount of funded hours for childcare for Early Years children that families can access. This will help families by reducing the cost for them and allow them to take more hours if they choose.

Staffordshire County Council want to make sure that families are able to access childcare when and where they want to and they are aware that in some areas, a lack of childcare can make it difficult for families.

This survey will take no more than 10 minutes to complete and will help Staffordshire County Council to make decisions as an authority about how they will ensure the childcare market is supporting families the way they need it. To complete the survey simply click on the following link: <https://shorturl.at/LUW18> or scan the QR code below. Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey.



PTFA News!

Flip and Dippy – Thank you to all the families who attended the Flip and Dippy Clown Show. There was a wonderful atmosphere and lots of fun was had by all! Thank you to all of the PTFA volunteers who helped put on this event that was so enjoyable.

Summer Fayre – Sunday 7th July – 12 midday to 3.00pm –

This is our flagship fundraising event of the year and always proves to be a fun filled afternoon for the whole family! Bouncy castles, face painting, games, sports, ice-cream, entertainment and delicious food are all on offer! We are looking for volunteers to help at the fayre, as we rely on a small army of helpers.

Please get in touch with us if you are able to help by leaving your contact details at the school office. Thank you.



Five Ways Lottery

Well done to last week's winners. Tickets can be purchased by following the link:

www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/five-ways-primary-school



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