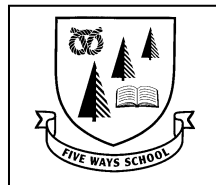


Newsletter



Mrs R. Mander - Headteacher

21st June 2024

Enrichment Experience

Due to the generosity of the PTFA and the success of previous years, all pupils will be taking part in a 'Young Enterprise Scheme' again this year, which will form part of our final enrichment day before the end of this term. The enterprise scheme will run over a series of days and will aim to introduce pupils to the role that money plays in people's lives and to promote a basic understanding of enterprise. Each class will be given a start-up capital of £35 donated by the PTFA, to get their business up and running. Time will be given to investigate, plan, purchase, make, publicise, market and sell the products that pupils produce. Staff will support pupils to carry out an evaluation of their product and to calculate any profit or loss made. Profits made will be spent on a class reward, decided upon by the pupils and will be enjoyed before the end of this term. I know that pupils and staff will enjoy taking part in the project again and I know that pupils will gain a lot from the experience. Products designed and made by all pupils from Nursery to Year 6 will be available to purchase during our Open Evening on Wednesday 3rd July 6.00pm - 8.00pm.



Forthcoming Dates:

Week beginning
24th June 2024 -
Menu week 2.



25th June – Year 1 Sports 10.00am
1st July – 'My teacher is....' letter sent home along with 'Welcome' letter from new Year Leader (*More details to follow.*)

3rd July - The Caroline Bowers Art Prize Presentation Evening 5.15pm
KS1 Art Gallery (*Invited parents and pupils only.*)

3rd July – Open Evening 6.00pm – 8.00pm including EYFS / KS1 / KS2 Enterprise Selling Evening (*All Welcome*)

4th July – School Closed for all pupils, due to it being used as a Polling Station.

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

Sports Days

Please be reminded of the upcoming Sports Day dates that are still to take place.

Year Group	Date and Time	Reserved Date
Year 1	Tuesday 25th June 10.00am	Wednesday 3rd July 10.00am
Year 6	Postponed due to poor weather.	Wednesday 17th July 1.30pm

Mr McFarlane Just Giving Page

Mr McFarlane's family have set up a Just Giving page in his memory, to raise money for Cancer Research UK. All donations will help make a difference for other families in similar situations. Please see below a link for the Just Giving page:
https://www.justgiving.com/page/francis-mcfarlane-cruk?utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=page%2Ffrancis-mcfarlane-cruk&utm_source=copyLink&utm_campaign=pfp-share

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Sports Day Results

Well done to all pupils who took part in their Sports Day this week. All pupils performed extremely well and demonstrated their sporting talents. This week's results from Year 3, Year 4, and Year 5 are detailed below. (Photos from Nursery, Reception and Year 2 will follow in next week's newsletter.)



Above is Max C and Minnie H holding the trophy for the red team, who were the winners in the Year 3 Sports Day.



Above is Alex H and Cecelia N holding the trophy for the green team, who were winners from Year 4 Sports Day.



Above is Frank S and Eva W holding the trophy for the blue team, who were the winners in the Year 5 Sports Day.

Please remember that any photographs taken by family members during our Sports Days, are for personal use only, and should not be uploaded onto social media sites if they contain children other than your own if you have not gained permission. Thank you.

End of Year Reports

I am pleased to inform parents that pupils' end of year reports will be sent home on Friday 14th July. Thank you.

New Teachers

On Monday 1st July, your child will receive an enveloped letter detailing who their new classteacher will be in September. You will also receive a letter from your child's new Year Leader welcoming you to the year group and providing you with some other relevant information.



Safety in the Sun



This is a reminder that with the warmer weather that we have been experiencing, please ensure sun cream is applied to your child before arriving at school and that they have a sunhat and bottle of water in school. Nursery and Reception pupils are supplied with drinks of water throughout the day and do not need to bring a bottle of water to school.

Lollipops Please be aware that children should be discouraged from bringing lollipops into school to eat at break times and lunch times. This is due to them being dangerous if a child runs around and falls whilst eating one. Parents are asked to support us in this matter.

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My Happy Mind I am delighted to inform you that all pupils at Five Ways have now completed their fourth module from our wellbeing program called, 'My Happy Mind'.

As a reminder, the program combines the latest research, science and technology to help children develop lifelong habits, and learn to thrive. Here at Five Ways, we believe that we should be equipping all children with the knowledge, skills and tools to thrive in the modern world. My Happy Mind is delivered in school by your child's classteacher through a series of interactive lessons and then the children apply these learnings throughout the day.

The next module, 'Engage' has been launched. To further embed this learning, My Happy Mind has developed a set of resources for parents that can be accessed online on your computer, or through an app on your phone. The resources include activities for you and your child to do at home, to complement the in-school lessons. To access these materials just go to <https://myhappymind.org/parent-resources> and enter your name, email, and authentication code which is: 124070.



Uniform Expectations Please ensure ALL children are wearing correct school shoes, rather than trainers, on the days that children do not have a PE lesson. There is an increased number of children coming to school in trainers on days when they have not got PE and this does NOT form part of our school uniform expectations; it also reflects poorly upon the school's reputation in terms of standards of presentation.



Bag2School

We will be holding our third **Bag2School** event on **Wednesday 3rd July**. Bag2School is an organisation that helps to recycle good quality clothing, shoes and textiles. The items are weighed and taken away for recycling. The school receives a payment based on the weight of the materials collected. This is an ideal opportunity to go through your wardrobes and get rid of any outgrown things. Please see the flyer sent home today with more information.

For this event, we will be again operating a 'Drop off Point' system. On **Tuesday 2nd July** from **3.45pm – 5.00pm**, the PTFA will be offering a 'Drop off Point' for donations that will take place at the main school gate entrance, off Langholm Drive. We would ask that you safely pull into the hatched area in front of the vehicle gate (vehicle gate will be locked) before getting out to unload your bags and leave them with the PTFA volunteers, who will then take them into school. This will save you having to bring donations on the morning of the event. Alternatively, please ensure all donations are brought to school on **Wednesday 3rd July** and placed under the canopy by the main office by **9.00am**. We look forward to your support with this excellent recycling initiative.

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Transition Arrangements

As you are aware, we value the need to ensure pupils are given the opportunity to become familiar with their new classteacher and classroom in preparation for September. Therefore, our transition arrangements this year are as follows:

- Welcome meetings will be held this term to ensure all parents have the opportunity to learn about the organisation, timetable, etc. of your child's new year group. The dates and times of 'Welcome ' meetings are as follows. ***Please be aware that some dates have changed from the original ones published in September.***

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

- **Wednesday 10th July 9.30am – 11.45am** Your child will spend this morning in their new classroom with their new teacher. This will allow your child to interact with their new classmates.
- **Thursday 11th July 1.30pm – 3.30pm** Children will spend the afternoon with their new class, in their new classroom and with their teacher. ***Parents are asked to collect children from their new classrooms at the end of the afternoon and you are invited to go back into school to meet your child's classteacher.***

I would like to reassure you that all members of the teaching team will be doing their utmost to ensure this transition is a smooth one. 'Welcome' letters and information regarding your child's new classteacher for September will be sent home on Monday 1st July from your child's new Year Leader. The letter will contain a map so that you are able to locate your child's new classroom. Being informed about your child's new classteacher and the location of their new classroom, ahead of our Open Evening, will provide you and your child with the valuable opportunity of visiting your child's new classroom and teacher during our Open Evening on 3rd July. We hope that you will agree that this provides another important transition occasion for you and your child to take advantage of. In addition to the information already stated, the 'Welcome' letter will also state the door that your child will be dismissed from at the end of each day and after their afternoon transition visit on Thursday 11th July.

Please do not hesitate to speak to your child's current classteacher if you have any concerns or questions regarding these arrangements.

Parents of pupils due to commence Nursery or due to move to Reception, have already received separate transition information.

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PTFA Summer Fayre – 2 WEEKS TO GO! Sunday 7th July 11.30am – 3.00pm

With a little over **2 weeks to go**, we are looking forward to our flagship event – our amazing Summer Fayre! We still require more volunteers on the day, whether it be helping all day, helping to set up, run a stall, or tidy away afterwards; all help is gratefully received. If you can help, please inform the school office.



Donations – Thank you to everyone who has already brought in donations for the Summer Fayre. We still require additional donations for our tombola stalls (pamper items, alcohol, etc.). We are also still collecting soft toys and books (both adult and children's books) for the fayre. Please send any donations into the school office, alternatively the PTFA are offering a drop off point for donations. The 'drop off' point will be in the KS1 Hall next to the PTFA stand, taking place on our Open Evening on 3rd July from 6.00pm – 8.00pm. Thank you.

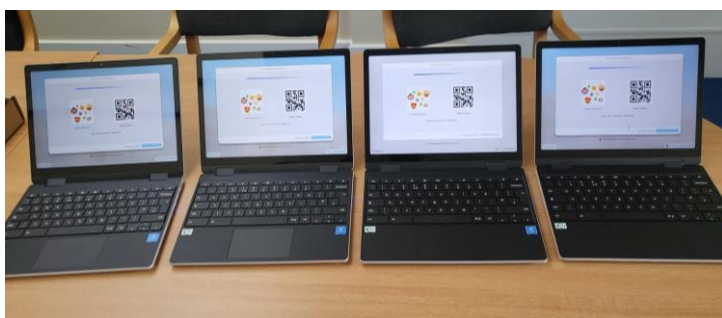
Winning Sumer Fayre Poster Design – I am proud to announce that Poppy H, who is in Year 5, won the competition for the best Summer Fayre poster design. Well done Poppy! We look forward to seeing your poster displayed around school.



End of Term PTFA Discos for Year 1 to Year 6 – Thursday 18th July 2024 –

Tickets are now on sale! Please be aware that tickets can **ONLY** be purchased in advance via the PTA dashboard: www.pta-events.co.uk/fiveways and **NOT** via the school office or on the night of the disco on the door. The deadline for purchasing a digital ticket is **14th July**. **NO** tickets will be available after this date and **NO** tickets will be available to purchase on the door. *Please note we have amended the start time of the Year 1 and Year 2 discos in line with the later school day finish time*. Year 1: 4.15pm – 5.00pm, Year 2: 5.15pm – 6.00pm, Year 3 & 4: 6.15pm – 7.15pm, Year 5 & 6: 7.30pm – 8.30pm

Chromebooks - The PTFA would like to take the opportunity to thank parents and family members for your continued support in terms of fundraising this year so far. Due to everyone's generosity, the PTFA have been able to fund the purchase of 30 Chromebooks as well as the licences and a trolley to store them in and move them around in – they are wonderful! The children are looking forward to using the Chrombooks in their lessons. Thank you everyone!



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