

Newsletter



Mrs R. Mander - Headteacher

28th June 2024

Open Evening

Please bring the whole family along to our Open Evening on Wednesday 3rd July from 6.00pm to 8.00pm. This evening provides a special opportunity for pupils to share their achievements with family members, by looking at their books and their displays around school.

In addition, you are all warmly invited to visit our Art Gallery which is situated in the KS1 library, and was developed in memory of Caroline Bowers. Mrs Bowers was a dedicated and talented teacher who had a very keen interest in art and taught it exceptionally well. In Caroline's memory, we are proud of our annual art prize and exhibition space, which is dedicated to her and was developed in 2017.

The gallery displays outstanding pieces of art work from pupils across the school. The art work is judged by staff and the 2024 overall winner will be announced during a special presentation for pupils and parents of the finalists, at 5.15pm before Open Evening begins. It would be wonderful to see pupils and family members during Open Evening enjoying looking at the art work.

During our Open Evening, I am pleased to make you aware that the catering staff will be showcasing samples from their hot school meals in the KS1 hall. You will also have the opportunity to purchase items on sale as a result of our 'Young Enterprise' project. These items will be available to buy from all of the Early Years, KS1 and KS2 classrooms.

JC Academy will be in the KS1 Hall for parents to enquire about Holiday Clubs and representatives from the PTFA will be available to sign up new volunteers! We hope to see you all there so that everyone can enjoy the atmosphere around school.



Forthcoming Dates:



Week beginning

1st July 2024 – Menu week 3.

1st July – 'My teacher is....' letter sent home along with 'Welcome' letter from new Year Leader

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.

7th July – PTFA Summer Fayre 11.30am – 3.00pm (*All Welcome*)

8th July – Welcome to Year 1 Meeting – 6.00pm KS1 Hall

8th July – Welcome to Year 2 Meeting – 7.15pm KS1 Hall

10th July – Transition Morning 9.30am – 11.45am – please see the 'Welcome' letter from your child's new Year Leader

10th July – Welcome to Year 3 Meeting – 6.00pm KS1 Hall

10th July – Welcome to Year 4 Meeting – 7.15pm KS1 Hall

11th July – Transition Afternoon 1.30pm – 3.30pm – please see the 'Welcome' letter from your child's new Year Leader

11th July – Welcome to Year 5 Meeting – 6.00pm KS1 Hall

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

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Nursery Places for 2024 – 2025



We still have some places in our school nursery. If you, or anyone you know has a child of Nursery age, please come and take a look at our teacher-led Nursery Provision and discuss what options are available for your child. Please contact the school office or speak to myself as Headteacher or Miss Kershaw, who is our Nursery Leader, if you would like to visit our Nursery. Application forms for Nursery are available to access on our school website via the 'Information for Parents' tab, or alternatively by following this link: [Five Ways School \(fiveways-primary-school.org.uk\)](http://Five Ways School (fiveways-primary-school.org.uk))

New Teachers



This is a reminder that 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.

End of Year Reports

This is a reminder that pupils' End of Year reports will be sent home on Friday 12th July. Thank you.

The Year 6 SATs results will be sent home to Year 6 parents on 9th July, following their release from The Government.



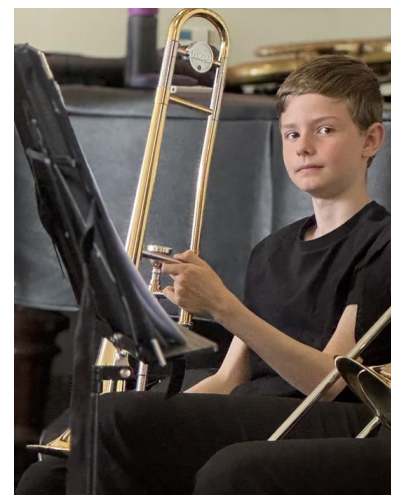
Sporting Success!

I am pleased to report that Jessica A, who is in Mrs Lindsay's class in Year 6, is celebrating a double sporting success. Jessica competed in the Lawford Youth Series at Curborough sprint course, where she raced on her road bike in horrendous rain and came 3rd! Jessica is currently positioned 2nd in the league with one race left to go. She also received her ultra-marathon wristband for completing 50 junior park runs, which means Jessica has run 100km. Well done Jessica; this is amazing news!



Talented Musician!

I am pleased to report that Isaac T, who is in Miss Lane's class in Year 4, took part in his first music concert. His brass music teacher, Mrs Askey, suggested Isaac join the Cannock training band that meet on a Saturday. He went along to join the practise, only to discover the following session was actually a concert to parents! Isaac took part and performed his trombone with having only had one practise of the 5 pieces of music. Isaac was given a special mention for his efforts and he is looking forward to his next band practise. Well done Isaac; this is amazing news!



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Sports Day Results

Well done to all pupils who took part in their Sports Day last week and this week. Again, all pupils performed extremely well and demonstrated their amazing sporting talents. The results from the Nursery, Reception, Year 1, and Year 2 Sports Days are detailed below.

Here on the right, is the Yellow Team, who were the winning team in the Nursery Sports Day. All pupils enjoyed competing in a variety of sporting events; all of the children tried their very best and performed extremely well. Well done everyone!



Well done to all of the Reception pupils for taking part in their Sports Day. Photographed here on the left, is the Black Team, who won the Reception event. The winning team are photographed here showing their certificates with pride. Well done everyone!

Well done to all of the Year 1 pupils for taking part in their Sports Day. The winning team were the Yellow Team. The teamwork and positivity between all athletes was fabulous, regardless of the team they were in! Pictured here, on the right, is Oscar D, Jessie M, Harriet R, Amber H, Lenny E, Amberleen D, Jersey B, Ollie D and Alfie H. Well done everyone!



In the Year 2 Sports Day, the Blue Team were the winners. All pupils tried their very best and performed extremely well. Pictured here are Jake B and Oliver B in Year 2, enjoying Sports Day. Well done everyone!

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.

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Transition Arrangements

As you are aware, we value the importance of pupils being given the opportunity to become familiar with their new classteacher and classroom, in preparation for September. 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 dates 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 come 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 – 1 WEEK TO GO! Sunday 7th July, 11.30am – 3.00pm

The fun filled afternoon for all the family is only 1 week away; the final planning is nearly complete and now we are just waiting for the big day to arrive! Bouncy castles, food, games, stalls, face painting and much more will keep family and friends busy and entertained for hours! Please be reminded that inflatable wristband sales are **ONLY** on pre-sale, on the dashboard, until Sunday 30th June however, they will be available on the day.

If you require further raffle tickets, please do not panic, as more tickets are available for purchase at our Open Evening on 3rd July, and at the Summer Fayre!



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.

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.

Five Ways History Artefact Display Cabinet

The PTFA would like to take this 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 a glass fronted cabinet to display important artefacts from the history of Five Ways, such as, old photographs and the school diary from 70 years ago! The cabinet is located at the main entrance in KS2 and looks wonderful! Additional display work will be placed on the wall behind the cabinet, once we have celebrated our 70th anniversary. Thank you everyone for your kindness!



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