

# Newsletter



Mrs R. Mander - Headteacher

6<sup>th</sup> September 2024

## Welcome Back!

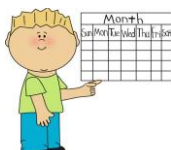


I would like to take this opportunity to welcome everyone back to school following the summer break. I would also like to offer an especially warm welcome to all new pupils and staff who have joined our school and are now part of the Five Ways community. I have had the pleasure of speaking to most children this week; they looked extremely smart in their school uniforms and I was extremely impressed to hear how keen they were to be back at school ready for learning. I also enjoyed listening to children telling me about the activities they had been involved in during the summer holidays.

## Dates 2024 – 2025

A list of important dates for the next academic year have been sent home today with this newsletter. (Please be aware that the dates are identical to the date list sent home to parents on 19.7.24 – Version 1.) Please be aware that the INSET days next year are:

Friday 20th June 2025  
Monday 23rd June 2025  
Monday 21st July 2025



In addition, this is advanced notice that school is likely to be CLOSED for 1 day (either 1<sup>st</sup> May or 8<sup>th</sup> May 2025) due to it being used as a Polling Station. (*We are awaiting confirmation from Staffordshire County Council however, it is expected to be 1<sup>st</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> May 2025.*)

## Forthcoming Dates:



### Week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> September 2024 – Menu Week 2.

*In addition, please see the list of dates (Version 1), sent home on 17.7.24 as well as today for this academic year.*

17th September – PTFA  
Welcome/Coffee Evening – 7.15pm  
KS1 Staff Room (*All Parents Welcome*)

18th September – National Fitness Day 2024 (*More details to follow*)

26th September – Flu Vaccinations  
- Reception to Year 6

27th September – Individual Photographs – Tempest Photographers

10<sup>th</sup> October – Young Minds ‘Hello Yellow’ / World Mental Health Day (*More details to follow*)

11<sup>th</sup> October - Sibling Photographs – Tempest Photographers

W/B 14<sup>th</sup> October - Parent/Teacher Consultations (*Face to Face After School Appointments*)

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

## We’re Here to Help

I am pleased to report that most children have settled well during their first week back at school. However, I know that there are times when parents need to speak to someone in school regarding a concern they may have or an issue that has arisen. Please feel free to contact your child’s classteacher by emailing or telephoning the school office, or by placing a message in your child’s Home-Link book (Year 1 to Year 6 only). Your child’s classteacher is also more than willing to meet with individual parents if this is required. Alternatively, please feel free to make an appointment to speak to your child’s Year Leader or a member of the Senior Leadership Team. Mrs Fuller as Deputy Headteacher, Miss Jones as Assistant Headteacher, Mrs Russell as Business Manager and myself are always available to speak to parents if required.

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## Admission to Secondary School for September 2024

Year 6 parents should have received an individual letter regarding the online application process for your child's Secondary School place. Please be aware that applications need to be made by **31<sup>st</sup> October 2024**.

### My School Fund Initiative

I am pleased to announce that our school is now part of the 'My School Fund Initiative'. This will help to raise additional funds for our school.

Parent's, guardians and carers can sign up to the scheme for free, and start earning cashback on things they buy in participating stores, including Sainsburys and Argos. Simply visit [www.myschoolfund.org](http://www.myschoolfund.org) to register for free and help to boost funding for our school!

Please see the flyer sent home today for more information.



**ROAD CLOSURE** Please be aware that a road closure is planned from **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2024 until Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2024**. This means that the Hednesford Road, Heath Hayes, will be **CLOSED**. The works planned will be for surface patching in readiness for the surface to be resurfaced in 2025. The Service 60 bus route will be delivering via Heath Way and Cannock Road in both directions. There will be access to frontages only.

Please be aware that Five Ways have not been consulted regarding the resurfacing works and road closure, and have no influence over the timing of such works. I would like to apologise in advance for the congestion and frustration the road closure works will have upon the school community during drop off and collection times. ***Parents are strongly advised to avoid the area and park further away from school during this 2-week period.***

### Five Ways Lottery

**Win a £1,000 Sainsburys voucher!**

Play Your School Lottery this September and you will be in with a chance to win a huge £1,000 Sainsbury's eGift card (or £1,000 cash)! Support our school from just £1 a week before Saturday 28th September, and you will be in with a chance to win!

**Help us do more! For every ticket you play, 74.2% goes to our school and prizes. £25,000 grand prize! Match all 6 numbers and you could win the JACKPOT!**

Tickets cost £1. Tickets can be bought by parents, family members and friends, by following the link:

[www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/five-ways-primary-school](http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/five-ways-primary-school)



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