FOUR OAKS PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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24th September 2021

Dear Parents and Governors

Start and End of the Day

A reminder to all parents that children are not allowed on site in the morning until 8.50am unless they attend either FOSBACS or a pre-school intervention group.

In the afternoon could I ask all parents to wait at the signs situated at the back of Year 2, the back of Year 6 and at the edge of the Junior playground until the times stated. This then stops groups of parents from congregating outside classrooms whilst staff are still trying to teach. Many thanks for your co-operation.

Infants Juniors

Due to
Safeguarding
regulations, please
can parents not go
beyond this point
until 3.15pm!

Due to
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regulations, please
can parents not go
beyond this point
until 3.25pm!

Arthur Terry Open Evening

Arthur Terry School is running a virtual 'Open Evening' and they have asked us to alert our parents to this event. The vast majority of our pupils who leave Year 6 go to Arthur Terry and this is a chance for you to see what they have to offer as a school. Please see the attached information from them at the end of this newsletter.

A Thank You to the PTA

Our Y4, Y5 and Y6 pupils had a fantastic time on Monday when M & M Productions arrived for their yearly visit and treated the children to an interactive production of 'Treasure Island'. The children got so much out of this dramatic event in the Infant hall, and so I would like to thank the PTA who yet again covered the cost of this event. It is yet another example of how funds raised by the PTA throughout the year find their way straight back to the children!



Don't Buy Your Christmas Cards Just Yet! My Art Project - Fund Raising Returns!



Too early for Christmas? Of course not! Our annual Christmas fund raiser has returned after a two-year break! My Art Project is a great way for your child to feel proud about their artwork, allowing you to celebrate in their achievements, but it is also a great way to raise funds after a turbulent few years.

Children will, in school, decorate and create their very own unique piece of art, which will be packed, posted and scanned and then you will have the option for the artwork to be printed onto a variety of exciting Christmas goodies. These can be purchased, raising important funds for school. All monies will be invested to progressing the continuation of new and exciting art projects within school.

More details will follow soon, but as soon as work is completed, you will receive an order form in time for the Christmas season.

For more details, you can visit the website below:

https://myartproject.co.uk/collections/christmas-the-online-card-project

Parking on Edge Hill Road

For the second time in two weeks, can I remind parents about being considerate towards our neighbours when they park on the roads around school. We have only had all of our gates open for two weeks and I have already had complaints from irate residents on Edge Hill Road. Please do not park across driveways, and do not drive with any wheels on the pavement as this is incredibly dangerous both for residents and for all of our school families. It is also illegal to park on the zig zags at the start and end of the day, and not appropriate or safe for people to park opposite them. We do not want any parents to have to step into the road to get past parked vehicles. Local residents do have the right to photograph any cars illegally parked and pass them onto the local police. It would be a very sorry state of affairs if we got to this point. Many thanks for your consideration.

Y5/Y6 Children Walking Home Alone

We will only allow children in Year 5 or Year 6 to walk home on their own if parents have sent a letter into school giving their specific permission. We cannot allow this to happen under any other circumstances and a telephone conversation or email will not suffice.

The Four Oaks School Show

One sure sign of Four Oaks Primary getting back to normal is that we will be putting on a school show this academic year. This happens every two years and gives the opportunity for every Year 5 and Year 6 pupil to be involved in a whole variety of ways if they wish to be. The show is called 'Olivia!' and is an upbeat musical. The children in Year 5 and Year 6 will have brought home a letter with lots of details in this week, so if your child is interested then get them to bring the form back as soon as possible. The show will be performed at the start of April 2022 and anyone from our school community will be able to buy tickets to watch it, but more about that nearer the time!

Garrick Pantomime

In case some parents did not pick-up this information in the last newsletter, can I alert you to an exciting event coming up this term.

Two years ago we decided as a school that it would be lovely to take the whole school to the Lichfield Garrick Theatre to watch a pantomime.....then COVID-19 intervened! Now that restrictions have been lifted we still intend to see this through and so on Wednesday 15th December we intend to take all 420 children to see Peter Pan! We are letting you know now as we know lots of families like to go to the pantomime around Christmas and didn't want you to double book......obviously, if you really love pantomime, then what could be better than a double helping!

Lost Property

We have decided to take a radical step in relation to lost property in order to cut down on a terrible amount of wasted money. Every year we try to instill into the children the value of looking after personal possessions, particularly their school uniform. We also inform parents at very regular intervals about where they can search through lost property, and yet every year we end up with mountains of lost clothing, the vast majority of which have no names written in.

This year we have done away with our lost property collection points. We will still instill in children the urgency to look after items and will endeavor on a daily basis to return items to children, however at the end of each week, any items that have been left unclaimed or left outside in the varying weather conditions will be disposed of.



A plea to all parents.....the easiest way to help your children to look after their uniform is to either write or attach their name into every item, including shoes.





Super Stars and Acorns





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The following children received Stars (Infants) and Acorns (Juniors) in Assembly last week. Well done to them all!!

Bumblebees	Andriana
Ladybirds	Isla
Owls	Dylan
Hedgehogs	Amiyah
Turtles	Jai
Sharks	Avleen
3B	Zach J.
3E	Elsie
4B	Isabel B.
4R	Elise
5 <i>C</i>	Ibrahim
5ST	Isaac
6B	Lily V.
6E	Jack H.

The following children received Stars
(Infants) and Acorns (Juniors) in Assembly
this week. Well done to them all!!

Bumblebees	Teddy
Ladybirds	Ben
Owls	Jivan
Hedgehogs	Enzo
Turtles	Isabella
Sharks	Samuel
3B	Scarlett
3E	Lottie
4B	Eleanor
4R	Etta
5 <i>C</i>	Oliver T
5ST	Martha
6B	Jack R.
6E	Absaar

Courtesy Cup Winners ~ last week

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Reception	Didar / Jovan
Year 1	Isabel / Simran
Year 2	Taran / Olivia
Year 3	May-Lou / Daisy
Year 4	Milo / Christina
Year 5	Miles / Alayna
Year 6	Lauren / Callum



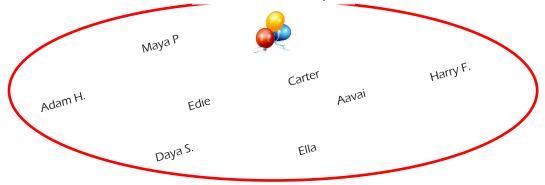
Alfie G. /Oatie
Phoebe / Eden
Danny / Hajra
Ezra / Athier
Jai / Leo
Avni / Oliver P
Rishi / Freya



Well done to all the winners!

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Infant Birthdays



Dinner Money ~ Juniors

Could parents please check SchoolMoney for any outstanding payments for school dinners. If there are any problems logging into SchoolMoney then please contact Mrs Johnson in the Junior office.

Milk Money ~ Infants

Could parents please pay any outstanding milk money as soon as possible. If there are any problems logging into SchoolMoney then please contact Mrs Johnson in the Junior office.



Birthday Books

All parents will have received a letter last week outlining our new 'Birthday Books' scheme. In the past some pupils have brought in sweets for their classmates on the occasion of their birthdays. In order to both make our school a healthier school and increase the number of quality texts in school we would now like parents to buy a book for their child to donate to the class when they celebrate their birthday. You will be able to find an up to date list of birthday books for your child's class on your TEAMS account.

Thursday 7th October—School Census Day

On Thursday 7th October, the more children we have taking up a school dinner the more funding we get, so Debbie in the kitchen is putting on a selection of the children's favourite meal choices. If your child normally has sandwiches and you would like them to have a school dinner on this day then please contact Mrs Johnson in the Junior Office who will help you pay through SchoolMoney

Nasal Flu Vaccination Forms

Can I please remind all parents that the forms for the nasal flu vaccination need to be returned to school at the latest by Tuesday (28th). As you will be aware these need to be returned to indicate whether or not you want your child to have the vaccine.

Year 4—Black Country Museum

Year 4 will be going to the Black Country Museum on Thursday 7th October. Could parents please ensure the children are at school by 8.45am to ensure a prompt exit from school. We hope they have a lovely time.



Medical Appointments

Can we please remind parents that if their child has a medical appointment during school time then they should notify the school office, rather than the teachers. Please forward a copy of the appointment notice by the enquiry email, or bring the notice to the school office where we will take a copy. Thank you.

Diary Dates

Attached to this news letter is a list of the diary dates available so far. These are also available on our website.



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PTA School Quiz

Two years ago (pre-Covid) our PTA Committee organized and ran a PTA Quiz and it was a huge success. Now that restrictions have eased they have decided to re-launch this event, so if you fancy having a really fun evening and being part of a quiz team then keep your eyes peeled for details. The Quiz Evening will be on Friday 15th October in the Junior Hall and will be run by Nigel, our very experienced quizmaster. There will be prizes on offer and a guarantee of a fun night out.



PTA AGM

The PTA Annual General Meeting will take place on Wednesday 13th October at 8am at Streetly Tennis Club. Please feel free to attend this annual meeting where positions on the committee for this year will be confirmed. We would love to welcome any parents new or old who would be interested in joining the PTA.

PTA Children's Disco / Pizza Party Friday 8th October

The PTA will be holding a disco for the Infants and a Pizza Party for the Juniors on Friday 8th October.

Please enter the Infant building via the door near the hall in the rear playground. Children must bring their completed slip (attached to this newsletter) including a contact telephone number and £1 for entry.

Children should be collected by entering the rear door (entrance to disco), collecting your child from the hall and exiting via the main front door so aiming to keep everyone safe.

Mobile Phones

A reminder that children should <u>not</u> bring mobile phones to the disco and as all children should be collected by an adult after the disco, there is no need for them to have one with them.

Infant disco 5.00pm to 6.00pm

Junior disco 6.15pm to 7.15pm

Pre-School siblings can attend the disco but if so their parents MUST stay for the duration of the disco.

Thank you to the PTA for organising this event.

ICT Tip of the Week

This week @ActionFraudUK have warned of a scam about fake PayPal emails. The emails claim your account has been "Temporarily Restricted". Links in the emails take users to a genuine looking phishing website, they're designed to steal your PayPal login details as well as personal and financial information. Banks and organisations like PayPal will not ask you to confirm your personal information via email or text. If in doubt you can always contact them directly by using a method you know to be genuine. Scams and Phishing emails or texts can also be reported to Action Fraud via email: report@phishing.gov.uk

If you have any queries regarding any of the above please do not hesitate to contact me. Yours sincerely

Mr M Benton **Head Teacher**



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"Having Fun, Raising Money"

FRIDAY 8th October 2021

Both Events in the Infant School Hall—

ENTER VIA THE DOOR FROM THE PLAYGROUND AT THE BACK OF THE SCHOOL. ALL CHILDREN MUST BE PICKED UP PROMPTLY (VIA THE 'ENTRANCE' DOOR)

Please ensure your child brings the slip with them.

NO CHILD WILL BE ADMITTED WITHOUT A COMPLETED SLIP



Infants - Disco



Infants: 5.00 pm - 6.00 pm

Refreshments, crisps and sweets will be available to buy

Admission £1.00 to be paid on entry

CHILDREN'S DISCO - FRIDAY 8th October 2021

	CLASS	
Parent/Guardian _		
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CHILD'S NAME _	CLASS	
Parent/Guardian _		
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	Pizza, refreshments and sweets will be available to buy	
	Admission £1.00 to be paid on entry	
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Parent/Guardian		

Telephone Number where you can be contacted during event: _



The Arthur Terry School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

September 2021

Transfer to Secondary Education - September 2022 - Virtual Open Evening

Choosing the right secondary school for your child is such an important decision. I am fortunate to lead a school that cares about students, has high academic standards, outstanding teaching, and a positive climate for learning.

We have an excellent relationship with our partner primary schools, so it is important that your child can continue to flourish in the next stage of their education.

We believe that exam results, although important, are not the only driver for the success of a school. You will want your child to be loved, cared for, listened to, nurtured, and developed, leaving school with the confidence and self-belief to make a real contribution to society. This is all part of what we offer at the school.

Although circumstances have improved, to protect our staff and local community we have taken the decision to again hold a Virtual Open Evening in 2021. We hope that you will understand that this is the safest way to give families an insight into our curriculum and school site. The website will include videos from each department, a tour of the school, information about admissions, SEND and many more areas of school life. All of this information, along with a video message from me, will be live on our school website from Monday the 20th of September, and will be available for two weeks. This will be clearly signposted from the front page of the website, and we do hope you and your child will enjoy seeing what our school has to offer.

Educating our young people is a privilege and we hope you will see how seriously we take this responsibility.

Yours faithfully,

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Samantha Kibble Headteacher

DIARY DATES-2021-22

Monday 27th September	
Tuesday 28th September	
Wednesday 29th September	
Thursday 30th September	
Friday 1st October	
Monday 4th October	
Tuesday 5th October	
Wednesday 6th October	
Thursday 7th October	Year 4 trip to Black Country Museum
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Friday 8th October	PTA Children's Disco / Pizza Party
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Monday 11th October	Bikeability (Y6/5)
Tuesday 12th October	Bikeability (Y6/5)
Wednesday 13th October	Bikeability (Y6/5)
	Nasal Flu Vaccine for pupils
Thursday 14th October	
Friday 15th October	Open Day
	PTA Adult Quiz Night
Monday 18th October	Book Fayre Week
Tuesday 19th October	
Wednesday 20th October	Parents Evening—4.00-6.30pm
Thursday 21st October	Parents Evening—4.00—6.30pm
Friday 22nd October	3.30pm—School Closes for Half Term

HALF TERM

Monday 1st November	Pupils return to school
Tuesday 2nd November	Y4 Swimming
Wednesday 3rd November	Y4 Swimming
Thursday 4th November	Y4 Swimming
Friday 5th November	Y4 Swimming
Monday 8th November	
Tuesday 9th November	Individual School Photographs
	Y 4 Swimming
Wednesday 10th November	Y4 Swimming
Thursday 11th November	Y4 Swimming
Friday 12th November	Y4 Swimming



DIARY DATES CONTINUED— 2021-22

Monday 15th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Tuesday 16th November	Y4 Extra Swimming Sessions / Bumblebees Trip - Tiny Town—
Wednesday 17th November	Y4 Extra Swimming Sessions / Ladybirds Trip—Tiny Town
Thursday 18th November	Y4 Extra Swimming Sessions
Friday 19th November	Y4 Extra Swimming Sessions
Monday 22nd November	
Tuesday 23rd November	
Wednesday 24th November	
Thursday 25th November	
Friday 26th November	
Monday 29th November	
Tuesday 30th November	
Wednesday 1st December	
Thursday 2nd December	
Friday 3rd December	PTA Christmas Fayre (Provisional Date)
Monday 6th December	Cluster Christmas Carol Concert at Lichfield Cathedral
Tuesday 7th December	
Wednesday 8th December	
Thursday 9th December	PTA—Children's Film Night
Friday 10th December	
Monday 13th December	
Tuesday 14th December	
Wednesday 15th December	Pantomime –at Lichfield Garrick—Whole School Trip
Thursday 16th December	
Friday 17th December	Christmas Party afternoon
	3.30 pm School closes for Christmas

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS





DIARY DATES CONTINUED-2021-22

Monday 3rd January 2020	School Closed Christmas Holidays
Tuesday 4th January	Staff Training Day—School Closed to Pupils
Wednesday 5th January	School Re-opens to Pupils
Thursday 6th January	Balance Bikes in Reception
Friday 7thJanuary	
Monday 10th January	
Tuesday 11th January	
Wednesday 12th January	
Thursday 13th January	Balance Bikes in Reception
Friday 14th January	
Monday 17th January 2020	
Tuesday 18th January	
Wednesday 19thJanuary	
Thursday 20th January	Balance Bikes in Reception
Friday 21st January	
Monday 24th January 2020	
Tuesday 25th January	
Wednesday 26th January	
Thursday 27th January	Balance Bikes in Reception
Friday 28th January	
Monday 31st January	
Tuesday 1st February	
Wednesday 2nd February	
Thursday 3rd February	
Friday 4th February	
Monday 7th February	
Tuesday 8th February	Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 9th February	
Thursday 10th February	
Friday 11th February	PTA—Comedy Night
Monday 14th February	
Tuesday 15th February	
Wednesday 16th February	Parents' Evening 4.00-6.30pm
Thursday 17th February	Parents' Evening 4.00-6.30pm
Friday 18th February	3.30 School Closes for half term



DIARY DATES CONTINUED-2021-22

Monday 28th February	School re-opens to pupils
Tuesday 1st March	
Wednesday 2nd March	
Thursday 3rd March	World Book Day
Friday 4th March	
Monday 7th March	
Tuesday 8th March	
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Thursday 31st March	
Friday 1st April	
Monday 4th April	
Tuesday 5th April	
Wednesday 6th April	
Thursday 7th April	Language Alive—Reception children
Friday 8th April	3.30pm School Closes for Easter

EASTER HOLIDAYS





DIARY DATES CONTINUED-2021 -22

Monday 25th April	Pupils Return To School
Tuesday 26th April	
Wednesday 27th April	
Thursday 28th April	
Friday 29th April	
Monday 2nd May	School Closed—Bank Holiday
Tuesday 3rd May	Staff Training Day—School Closed to Pupils
Wednesday 4th May	
Thursday 5th May	School Closed for Elections
Friday 6th May	
Monday 9th May	KS2 SATs Week
Tuesday 10th May	
Wednesday 11th May	
Thursday 12th May	
Friday 13th May	Class Photos in School
Monday 16th May	
Tuesday 17th May	
Wednesday 18th May	
Thursday 19th May	
Friday 20th May	
Monday 23rd May	
Tuesday 24th May	
Wednesday 25th May	
Thursday 26th May	
Friday 27th May	3.30pm School Closes for Half Term

HALF TERM

Monday 6th June	School Re-opens to pupils Year 1 Phonics Screening Week / Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check 3 week period begins
Tuesday 7th June	6.00pm—Boreatton Park Meeting for Y5 Parents
Wednesday 8th June	
Thursday 9th June	
Friday 10th June	



DIARY DATES CONTINUED-2021-22

Monday 13th June	
Tuesday 14th June	New Reception Parents' Induction Evening
Wednesday 15th June	Reception Trip—Tamworth Castle
Thursday 16th June	
Friday 17th June	
Monday 20th June	
Tuesday 21st June	
Wednesday 22nd June	
Thursday 23rd June	
Friday 24th June	
Monday 27th June	
Tuesday 28th June	
Wednesday 29th June	
Thursday 30th June	
Friday 1st July	Boreatton Park Residential Trip—Y5
Saturday 2nd July /	Boreatton Park Residential Trip—Y5
Sunday 3rd July	
Monday 4th July	Boreatton Park Residential Trip—Y5
Tuesday 5th July	
Wednesday 6th July	
Thursday 7th July	
Friday 8th July	
Monday 11th July	9.15pm—Junior Sports
Tuesday 12thJuly	1.45—Infant Sports Followed by Parents' Walkabout in School
Wednesday 13th July	
Thursday 14th July	
Friday 15thJuly	
Monday 18th July	Y6 Leavers' Celebrations
Tuesday 19th July	
Wednesday 20th July	School Closes for Summer Holidays
Thursday 21st July	Staff Training Day—School Closed to Pupils
Friday 22nd July	School Closed for Queen's Platinum Jubilee Holiday





SUMMER HOLIDAYS

All of these term and event dates can also be found on our website by clicking on the 'News' tab at the top of the homepage and selecting 'Diary Dates'