

# FOUR OAKS PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Next Week—Menu 2

## 9th September 2022

**Dear Parents and Governors**



I would like to say a huge welcome back to all members of our Four Oaks Family! I hope that you all had an enjoyable Summer break but also had the chance for a good rest. It has been so lovely to see the children back in school since Wednesday... school should not be a quiet place and it has been a bubbly and lively place every day so far.

Now that we are able, we have reintroduced all aspects of school life that were in place pre-Covid and you will see planned events on either the 'Diary Dates' page of our school website, or on the list of dates at the end of this newsletter.

So, here are some details of events that involve you all as parents.

### Parent Workshops

You will see that in the first three full weeks of school all year groups will be holding a 'Parents' Workshop'. It is really important that if possible every child has a parent or adult who can come to these events. They will start at 9am and finish by 10.30am at the latest. In these workshops the teachers will go through the structure of the work in their year group and will talk about some really important aspects of the children's work. You will then get a chance to actually work alongside your child, but please do not worry.....there will be no tests involved! The Reception workshop in September however is just for parents.

### Year Group Assemblies

Over the course of the school year you will see that there is a date for each year group to perform an assembly for their parents. This performance will reflect the children's efforts in their curriculum work and will give all parents a chance to celebrate their children's successes. At the end of these assemblies the parents of that year group will be invited to stay for lunch and eat with their children. This lunch can be paid for using School Money in the week previous to the assembly. These assemblies will begin at 10am and lunch will then be served at 11am before the other children in school break for lunch. We hope that all parents will appreciate and enjoy the chance to share their children's learning again.



### New Reception Children

Next week we will be excited to welcome our new Reception children into school. We will have the youngest 20 children on Monday, the middle 20 children on Tuesday and the oldest 20 children on Wednesday. This means that by Wednesday lunchtime our Four Oaks Family will once more be complete! Reception families bringing their children into school must use the front Infant entrance on Edge Hill Road next week so we can check off names and welcome them in person. Each group of 20 will need to come into the Reception playground at 9.30am.



### Teaching Assistant Vacancy

You will notice from your School Jotter App that we have posted an advert for a Teaching Assistant on our school website. If anyone is interested in this exciting opportunity or knows anyone else who is then please go to the website and complete the appropriate documentation. Our staff team is a very happy one and we would love to find a new member of the team who has the best interests of the children at heart.

### Extra Curricular Activities

We have attached a list of the extra curricular activities that are on offer this term. Please note that netball is already full!

### Time for Congratulations

We would like to announce the very happy news that Mrs Burton in Year 4 is expecting her first child! I'm sure that you will all join with me in being very happy for both her and her husband as they look forward to this very exciting event. We will of course take great care in making sure we find a high-quality member of staff to take over her teaching commitment in the Spring Term, and will look forward to seeing her back in school at some point with the new addition to her family.



### PTA 200 Club

Please watch out for a letter which will be coming home with your children next week about the PTA 200 club. This is a fun way to raise money for the school with the chance of winning a cash prize or some other wonderful prizes which are kindly donated by lovely local businesses. Please note that the bank account details have now changed and all previous standing orders have been cancelled so if you wish to pay by standing order a new one will have to be created. Full details of how to pay will be on the letter.

### Music Lessons

Music lessons for keyboard, violin and guitar will commence next week with Heather and John. They should be in touch directly with you regarding the timetables, please ensure for violin and guitar that your child brings their instrument with them and that they all bring any music they may have.



### Arthur Terry Open Evening 29th September—Year 5 & 6 Parents

Attached to the back of this newsletter is a letter from Arthur Terry with details of their Open Evening on 29th September from 6pm-8pm.

## COMMUNITY NEWS.....COMMUNITY NEWS.....COMMUNITY NEWS.....

#### Singing Community of Choirs - Wednesdays at Moor Hall

SC Choirs is a family of six choirs, covering all ages and abilities, which are based here at Moor Hall. We cover over 30 schools and offer children (and adults!) the opportunity to develop vocally and musically, which in turn develops confidence and self-esteem. We have seen so many of our young people shine this year and we'd love your child to be part of this too! Fun is at the heart of what we do, with an emphasis on music education as well as performance opportunities.

Our choir operates across the following times. Ages are a rough guide too:

- Little Voices: 4.30pm-5.15pm (ages 4-6)
- Junior Voices: 4.15pm-5.15pm (ages 6-9)
- Intermediate Voices: 5.40pm-7.15pm (ages 8-13)
- Senior Voices: 5.40pm-7.15pm (ages 11-18).
- Ensemble Voices: 7.30pm-8.30pm (ages 13-20)

Dynamic Voices: 7.30pm-9.00pm (our adult community choir).

Find out more on our website: [www.scchoirs.org.uk](http://www.scchoirs.org.uk). Email us on [enquiry@scchoirs.org.uk](mailto:enquiry@scchoirs.org.uk) Telephone: 07539 427812



#### Royal Sutton Coldfield Youth Orchestra - Fridays at Moor Hall

Does your child play a musical instrument? We run a Youth Orchestra every Friday at Moor Hall school and we cover every ability. Being part of an orchestra is the BEST way to improve sight reading, listening and musical motivation. We'd love your child to sign up!

Youth Orchestra: 4.45pm-5.30pm

Youth Ensemble 5.30pm-6.15pm (grade 5+).

Please get in touch if you'd like more information!

Email: [rscyomembers@gmail.com](mailto:rscyomembers@gmail.com) Website: [royalsuttoncoldfieldorchestra.org.uk](http://royalsuttoncoldfieldorchestra.org.uk) Telephone: 07736 318340

### ICT Tip of the Week

*The internet and social media have changed the way we learn about the world around us. With so many sources of Information, it can be hard to keep up with what is real and what is fake online. What is fake news and misinformation. [Click here](https://www.internetmatters.org/issues/fake-news-and-misinformation-advice-hub/learn-about-fake-news-to-support-children/) to find out more and how you can support your child.*

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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September 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

### **Arthur Terry School Open Evening – Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2022 – prospective Year 7 & Year 12**

Choosing the right secondary school for your child is such an important decision. You will want a school that has high academic standards, outstanding teaching and a positive climate for learning. We are so fortunate in having outstanding partner primary schools, so it is important that your child continues to flourish in the next stage of their education.

#### **Exam results 2022**

We are incredibly proud of our students this year for achieving record breaking A-Level, and fantastic GCSE, BTEC and RSL results. More than ever, they reflect the hard work, resilience and dedication that our students have shown.

However, 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. The Arthur Terry School is an inclusive and nurturing learning community that gives everyone the opportunity to excel and a place to belong.

We are holding our Open Evening on Thursday September 29<sup>th</sup> from 6.00 pm – 8.00 pm when you will be able to visit the school, see classrooms on display and meet students and staff. I will be speaking at 6.30 and 7.15pm in the Main Hall. Tickets will be allocated on arrival for both speeches.

Car parking space at school on this occasion will be limited due to ongoing building works on the site. Please walk or use public transport wherever possible. As a courtesy to our local residents please do not park on the surrounding streets.

We look forward to welcoming you and sharing our school with you. Educating our young people is a privilege and we hope you will see how seriously we take this responsibility.

Yours faithfully,

Samantha Kibble  
 Associate Headteacher

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Extra-Curricular Activities – Autumn Term 2022						
	Activity	Staff	Location	Time	Yrs	
Monday	Football	Premier Sports / Mrs Rowberry	Junior Field	3.30 – 4.30pm	3/4/5/6	
	Football	Premier Sports / Mrs Rowberry	Junior Field	3.30 – 4.30pm	1/2	
	French	Le Club Francais	Junior Library	3.30 – 4.30pm	3/4/5/6	
	Well-being	Emotional Fitness	Bumblebee Classroom	3.30 – 4.30pm	R/1/2/3/4/5/6	
Tuesday	French	Le Club Francais	Acorn Suite	12.00 – 12.30pm	2	
	Gymnastics	Premier Sports / Mrs Rowberry	Infant Hall	3.30 – 4.30pm	3/4/5/6	
	French	Le Club Francais	Junior Library	3.30 – 4.30pm	3/4/5/6	
	Netball	Mrs Goldspink and Hayley Myles	Junior Hall	3.30 – 4.45pm	3/4	
	Gardening Club	Miss Wykes and Miss Everitt	Garden	3.30 – 4.30pm	3/4/5/6	
Wednesday	French	Le Club Francais	Acorn Suite	12.00 – 12.30pm	1	
	Netball	Mrs Goldspink and Hayley Myles	Junior Hall	3.30 – 4.45pm	5/6	
	French	Le Club Francais	Junior Library	3.30 – 4.30pm	3/4/5/6	
	Gymnastics	Premier Sports / Mrs Rowberry	Infant Hall	3.20 – 4.30pm	1/2	
Thursday	Choir	Mrs Smith	Junior Hall	3.30 – 4.15pm	3/4/5/6	
	FOPS Football Team Training	Aspire / Mrs Rowberry	Junior Field	3.30 – 4.30pm	5/6	
	Gymnastics	Premier Sports / Mrs Rowberry	Infant Hall	3.20 – 4.30pm	R	
	Dance	Dance 'n' beats	Junior Hall	3.30 – 4.30pm	1-6	
Friday	Football	Four Oaks School of Soccer	Junior Field	3.30 – 5.00pm	5/6	
	Science Ambassadors / School Council / Sports Leaders		Mrs Coles, Mrs Elvins, Miss Appleby and Mrs Rowberry will let all pupils involved know when to meet as events/activities arise.			
	Instrument Lessons	Various in-school sessions across both Key Stages.				
	<u>The start dates of these activities will be announced by the adults running them.</u>					





## DIARY DATES—2022-23

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'

Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Staff Training Day 1
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	Staff Training Day 2
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> September	Pupils in Y1 – Y6 return
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> September	Dog Safety Workshops
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> September	

Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> September	1 <sup>st</sup> 20 New Reception pupils start school
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> September	2 <sup>nd</sup> 20 New Reception pupils start school
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> September	3 <sup>rd</sup> 20 New Reception pupils start school
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> September	9am – Y2 Parents' Workshop
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> September	9am – Y1 Parents' Workshop

Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	8pm – PTA Meeting at Streetly Tennis Club
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	9am – Y4 Parents' Workshop
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> September	9am – Y5 Parents' Workshop
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	9am – Y6 Parents' Workshop
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	9am – Y3 Parents' Workshop

Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> September	
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	9am – Rec Parents' Workshop
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> September	Cash for Clothes collection
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> September	5.15 – 6.15pm Infant Disco 6.30 – 7.30pm Junior Pizza Party/Disco

Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> October	
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> October	Sikh Education service in school (Y3/Y5)
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> October	

Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	Open Day for new Reception families 8pm – PTA AGM at Streetly Tennis Club
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Festival assembly
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> October	
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	

Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Nasal Flu vaccines for all pupils
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents' Evening – 3.40 - 6pm
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents' Evening – 3.40 - 6pm
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	School Closes for Half-Term

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## DIARY DATES — 2022-23

Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Pupils return to school 4.30 – 5.30pm Infant Hallowe'en Disco
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	

Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Individual Photographs in School
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	9 – 11am Y6 SATs Parents' Workshop (Jnr. Hall)

Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Week
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Y3 Parents' Assembly & Parents' Lunch
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	

Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Y4 Swimming
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Y4 Swimming
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	Y4 Swimming
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	Y4 Swimming

Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Y4 Swimming
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Y4 Swimming
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Y4 Swimming
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Y4 Swimming

Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Y4 Swimming 7pm - Cluster Christmas Carol Concert at Lichfield Cathedral
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Y4 Swimming
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Y4 Swimming
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Y4 Swimming

Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	pm – Infants at All Saints – Christmas Service
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	am – Year 3&4 Christmas Show for Y3 parents pm – Year 5&6 Christmas Show for Y5 parents
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	am – Year 5&6 Christmas Show for Y6 parents pm – Year 3&4 Christmas Show for Y4 parents
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Pm – Whole School trip to Lichfield Garrick Pantomime
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Party afternoon 3.30pm School Closes for Christmas





## DIARY DATES CONTINUED—2022-23

Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January	Training Day 3
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	Pupils return to school
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	

Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> January	
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> January	All Saints Assembly
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> January	
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> January	
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> January	

Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> January	
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> January	
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> January	
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> January	
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> January	

Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January	Reception Parents' Workshop
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> January	
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> January	
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	

Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February	

Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> February	
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	

Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents' Evening 3.40 – 6pm
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents' Evening 3.40 – 6pm
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February	3.30pm School Closes for half term

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## DIARY DATES CONTINUED—2022-23

Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	School Opens
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	World Book Day
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	

Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	

Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Y5 Parents' Assembly & Parents' Lunch
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	

Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	World Maths Day
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Y1 Parents' Assembly & Parents' Lunch

Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Y2 Parents' Assembly & Parents' Lunch
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	School Closes for Easter

### EASTER HOLIDAYS







## DIARY DATES CONTINUED—2022 -23

Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Training Day 4
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	Pupils return to school
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	

Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	All Saints Assembly
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30am – Governing Body Resources Committee
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	

Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATs Week
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	

Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Rec Parents' Assembly & Parents' Lunch
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Circus in School

Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	School Closes for half term

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## DIARY DATES CONTINUED—2022-23

Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Pupils Return / Y4 Multiplication Tables Check 3-week period begins
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	

Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Y1 Phonics Screening Week
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	New Reception Induction Evening
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	

Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	am – Infant Sports
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	6pm - Boreatton Park Meeting for Y5 Parents
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	

Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Y4 Parents' Assembly & Parents' Lunch
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	

Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> July / Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> / Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5 Boreatton Park

Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5 Boreatton Park
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	

Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	2.30pm – Parents' Walkabout – Parents invited in to look at children's work.
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Leavers' Assembly & Parents' Lunch
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	

Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> July	Break up for Summer Holidays

