



Reminders: School Closed Monday 7th May - Bank Holiday

27th April 2018

Letters: Year 5 Tri-Golf/Attendance Letters/Year 5 Lichfield Safety Walk

What's on next week ...				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Scooter Training Year 2 Apple Class			Year 3 Swimming	

Message from Mrs Grainger

Big Battery Hunt – We have had an amazing response to one of the largest recycling challenges in the UK. We have collected an astounding amount of batteries. Our school collection bin was not big enough! In a week where the recycling of plastic has made the national news, we should be proud of our contribution to the Environment Plan.

Congratulations to Miss Robinson who has gained the EPICT Online Safety Certificate. This internationally recognised qualification shows the schools commitment to keeping children safe online. As a school we are also working towards the 360 Degree Safe Award. We are currently at stage 2 of this process (Certificate of Progress).

Polite Reminder: Since our return after Easter (7 school days). We have had 42 items dropped into the office for delivery to children. These items range from; lunchboxes, water bottles, PE kits, snack money, and musical instruments. I ask that you encourage your children to be more independent and prepared for school. Thank you for your support.

Over the coming weeks we shall be having our heating system upgraded. This is a substantial amount of work across both buildings. It will involve all radiators being changed and both boilers. There will be some disruption, as you would expect, but I am confident that the company carrying out the work (who routinely work in schools) will be considerate to our needs. You will be notified of any specific changes for classes as and when they occur.

Gemma Grainger
Headteacher

Many thanks to everyone that has taken part in the Big Battery Hunt, at the last count we had over 3,000 batteries! These will be collected soon but we will continue to recycle batteries here at school.



Year Group Updates

Nursery & Reception

This week in Early Years we have been completing lots of exciting activities and challenges such as building castles, measuring beanstalks using cubes, writing about our visit from the wolf last week, painting characters from traditional tale stories, practising writing our numbers and letters. We have also predicted and carried out an investigation to see what would happen to the gingerbread man when we put him into water.

Year 1 & 2

This week, Years 1 and 2 have had a very busy time. We have conducted a plant experiment, written and performed a song about planting seeds and we have dissected and named parts of a plant.

In Maths, Year 2 have been adding two digit numbers on a blank number line and Year 1 have been adding and subtracting one digit numbers from two digit numbers. Finally, in English both years have been adapting the tale of Jack and the Beanstalk.

Year 3 & 4

We have had a very musical week in Year 3/4. The children have loved listening to various styles of singing including Jazz, Scat, Yodelling and Overtone singing. We then located these on our world maps.

Also we began planning a piece of writing on a style of music after listening to 8-9 different genres including Big Band, Rock n Roll, Disco, Funk, RnB, Pop and Indie. This was met with great interest and lots of different dance styles!

We have also planned a Biography on a famous musician which we will write up from our notes.

Year 5 children ONLY—if you haven't yet returned your Whitemoor Lakes consent slip to secure your place please do so as soon as possible. Deposits due Wednesday 23rd May.

Thank you.

Year 5

This week Year 5 have had green fingers – they have been weeding the school garden area and have planted seeds in their homemade planters. It is now their responsibility to care for the plants by regularly watering them and clearing weeds. Good luck Year 5; we can't wait to see what lovely vegetables you grow.

Following on from last week's PSHE lesson about Earth Day, we have been finding out more about plastic pollution. This will inform our writing over the next couple of weeks.

Year 6

SATs is fast approaching and we are really pleased with the attitude to learning of a high proportion of our Year 6's. We continue to repeat that all we expect from any individual is for them to do the best that they possibly can, they will do this by always being focused and trying their hardest.

We will continue to work hard as a group in school and we thank those parents/carers that always ensure that their child's homework is completed to a good standard.

App of the week



Monster Numbers

A cool maths game that combines fun and education.

Please note that although we check the suitability of applications, they can be changed without notice. Parents should therefore check the Application BEFORE children go on to them.

PTFA News

Save the Dates

Chadsmead Summer "Carnival" - Saturday 9th June, 11-3pm

Summer Disco - 5th July

Summer Fair

This year's summer fair theme will be **Chadsmead Summer Carnival!** This year's event will be a great day out for the whole family. Inflatables, tombola, raffle prizes, and so much more! Bring your picnic blankets and plan to enjoy the day.

Volunteers Needed: Volunteers are needed to run stalls at the Summer Fair. Please email ChadsmeadPTFA@gmail.com to let us know if you can help! Shifts available, so you can also be sure to enjoy the fair.

Raffle Prizes needed: Do you own or work for a business what will donate a raffle prize? Or, if you cannot offer a prize, would your business donate £10 toward a grand prize? Businesses that donate will be mentioned in our Summer Fair programme (sent home with each child) and announced during the drawing.

Let Fran Jones know or email: ChadsmeadPTFA@gmail.com

Fortnite

Many of our children are referring in school to the online game "Fortnite". This game Fortnite has come to the attention of the UK Safer Internet Centre. They have produced an advisory blog to give guidance to parents on what to be aware of.

This can be found at:
www.saferinternet.org.uk "A parents guide to Fortnite: Battle Royale".

Among the issues are:

- Age rating of 12 due to frequent scenes of violence, so it's advised **NO PRIMARY AGED CHILD SHOULD HAVE ACCESS**
- Playing against random groups of up to 100 players from around the world
- The fact that many of these players could be adults
- Regular inappropriate language used in comments made
- Imitation of violent acts/scenes

PLEASE VIEW THE ADVICE AND ACT AS YOU SEE FIT.

Thank you.



SUN (Staffordshire Umbrella Network) is a networking group of parents and carers of children and young people with additional needs, voluntary groups and agencies, coordinated by SEND Family Partnership.

- ☀️ **Do you have a child with a special need or disability?**
- ☀️ **Are you a professional who would like to represent your service at a local parent network group?**
- ☀️ **Please join us at our SUN meeting and networking session?**

Focus on:

NYAS -

The National Youth Advocacy Service (NYAS) is a charity which operates across England and Wales for children, young people and adults. Deb Yates will be joining us to tell us how they work and what services they offer in Staffordshire.

Independent Travel Training

- Tonya Castree (Independent Travel Trainer) will talk about the support that is available to support young people access public transport / to get from one place to another, independently.

Booking Essential

- Meet new people.
- Exchange information and tips.
- Find out what is going on locally.
- Chat to other parents and professionals informally during the networking session.

To attend please ring
SEND Family Partnership
on
01785 356921 or email
sun@staffordshire.gov.uk

If you have any special requirements, or if you, or someone you know, would like a copy of this flyer in large print, Braille, or on audio-tape please contact SEND Family Partnership on 01785 356921.

Staffordshire SEND Family Partnership (Information, Advice & Support) Service is funded by Staffordshire County Council. It operates independently as a confidential service for parents and carers of children and young people (0-25) with special educational needs and disabilities.



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Open Day May Day 2018 At The Chase Sailing Club



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Discover more about this fantastic sport!
It's great fun for all the family!
Come see our club!

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Dinghy Sailing
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Safety Boat Rides – See the lake from a Powerboat

Refreshments – Available from our galley and bar

Advisable to bring spare clothes and a towel
Free entry & parking

Date: Monday 7th May
Times: 10am till 3pm
Location:
The Chase Sailing Club
Pool Lane
Walsall



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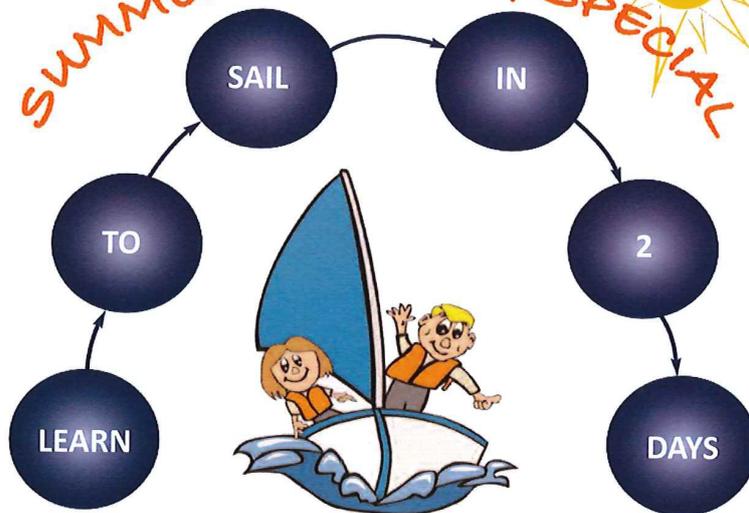
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