



Newsletter Friday 26th November 2021



House Point Totals
Week Commencing: 15th November 2021

	326		331
	327		322

Message from Mrs Grainger



We are really looking forward to our Christmas Fair next week, all children will have the opportunity to go to the fair throughout the school day and be able to participate in a range of activities, including:

- Decorate a Christmas decoration
- Write a letter to Santa
- Make a melting snowman biscuit

All stalls and activities will be 50p each. Glitter tattoos and face painting will be available for £1

There will also be a huge variety of games to enjoy including: Chocolate tombola, Bottle tombola, Pin the Nose on Rudolph, Snowman Target Game, Guess the Sweets in the Jar, Ping Pong Competition, Feed Frosty the Snowman, Hook a Christmas Duck, Splat the Brussel Sprout and more! Please send your child in with some spending money – there will also be a **free** book stall for children too.

We really hope your children enjoy the festivities!

Some gentle reminders for everyone's safety

- We encourage children to ride bikes and scooters to school. When children arrive at the school gates they must dismount and walk their bike or scooter along through the pedestrian gate. Children are not allowed to scoot or ride around the school grounds at the beginning or end of the day.
- Please do not use the staff car parks as a walk through.
- Parking: Please do not block residents' drives or the school car parks (unless prior approval has been sought). We have contacted the PCSO and asked them to increase their checks. It is incredibly dangerous for pedestrians and the safety of our pupils is our priority.
- Dogs are not permitted on the school grounds, including being tied to school gates.
- Smoking is not allowed in any area of the school grounds.

Thank you for your continued support in helping to make our school a safe environment for everyone.

September 2022 Reception Intake

The application process for a reception place for September 2022 will open on 1st November 2021. The closing date is 15th January 2022. Please apply via Staffordshire County Council Admissions: www.staffordshire.gov.uk/admissions

curriculum

What has your child been learning about in class this week?

Years 1 & 2

Can you believe it's almost the last week of November? It's that time of the year when many of us are beginning to think about the Christmas festivities. In KS1 we have started to practice our performance 'The Christmas Recipe'. We have been learning the songs that go with it and those children who have chosen to have a speaking part have been practising their lines. Your child should have brought home a note explaining which character they are playing and the type of costume they will need.

In our everyday lessons, we have been making changes to the story of 'Pirate Tom' by creating our own characters and settings and we are learning to plan our ideas for our writing. In maths, Year 2 have continued to learn about measuring using metres, rulers, tape measures and centimetres. Year 1 have been continuing their work on shape.

Our theme work has focussed on Geography and we have been learning about maps, the United Kingdom, seas and capital cities as well as continents and oceans around the world.

Homework this week will be maths on Learning with Parents. Year 2 pupils, remember to use Times Table Rockstars every week too.

REMINDER: Children reading accelerated reader books must bring their reading books to school every day so that they can read them during their independent reading time during the day. Spelling books must be sent in every Tuesday so they can be marked indicating the number of correct spellings in their test and new spellings given.

Years 3 & 4

Years 3 & 4 have been getting back to our regular timetable this week after last week's Art week.

We have been writing some excellent explanations of the human digestive system with a strong emphasis on using the correct vocabulary.

Thanks very much for sending in the story or 100-word mini-saga set as last week's homework. This is an external competition into which we will enter all the children's work. Already we have seen some great short stories. The deadline for these to come back to school is next Tuesday (30th December).

In maths this week, Year 3 have been learning to subtract with exchanging band, Year 4 have been multiplying using the short written method. Children are really getting into answering questions in their maths lessons using full sentences and again, exact vocabulary.

Next Tuesday is our trip to the Pantomime which we are looking forward to.



Years 5 & 6

Years 5 & 6 have this week had assessment week and so the children have taken tests in reading, VGPS and maths; they have also completed some independent writing. In addition to this the teachers have taken an extra close look at their books. We have been extremely pleased and impressed by everyone's attitude to learning, we know everyone is different, all we ever ask is for the children to do their best and we reiterate this constantly.

As well as assessments both reading and theme have carried on as normal. Therefore, we have continued to read our script of The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe and we have been focusing on geography skills (map work and grid references) in theme.

We are now approaching Sweden as a part of our walk to Lapland. If you haven't yet collected sponsors please do, your support is gratefully received.

Flu Immunisation Programme

Children in Reception up to and including Year 6 are having their flu immunisation on Thursday 2nd December 2021. All this involves is a quick sniff and it's over and doesn't hurt at all. You should now have received a link to access an online form in order to accept or decline this year's vaccine. Following flu immunisation, some children, and indeed adults, can experience a slightly raised temperature for a few days after. This is seen as a normal reaction to the immunisation, but given that we are all on the lookout for raised temperatures at the moment, along with other symptoms, like a continuous cough and a loss of smell and taste, etc., if you are in any doubt, please seek medical advice via the known channels.



activeTotz
STARTING JANUARY 2022

After School Club

Every Monday £30 per half term

Nursery & Reception

Understanding the importance of exercise from a young age is very important.

Active Totz is lots of fun

Fun, energetic sessions in which we take children on a journey of sporting imagination. Introducing children to a variety of sporting equipment, through fun, active, team and individual games. The sessions help to support your child's balance, coordination, and social skills through running, throwing, catching and a whole lot more. Booking is required at the website below.

activetotz.co.uk

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Active Tots —Nursery and Reception

Active Totz West Midlands

email - phatton@activetotz.co.uk

We are really pleased to announce that we will have Active Totz running an after school club, on Mondays from 3.15pm until 4.15pm. The club will start on Monday 10th January 2022 and the Coach, Peter Hatton will be at the glass corridor on Monday 6th December for parents/carers to meet and chat about the club. If you would like your child to join, please go to activetots.co.uk

**Dates for the Autumn Term
2021**

Tuesday 30 th November 2021	Years R – 6 Peter Pan Pantomime Lichfield Garrick
Thursday 2 nd December 2021	Whole School Flu Vaccination
Friday 3 rd December 2021	Christmas Fair
Friday 10 th December 2021	Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday 14 th December 2021	KS1 Nativity 9.30am
Wednesday 15 th December 2021	KS2 Christmas Performance 9.30am/2pm
Wednesday 15 th December 2021	Children's Christmas Dinner
Thursday 16 th December 2021	Nursery & Reception Nativity 9.30am
Friday 17 th December 2021	School breaks up at the end of the day for the Christmas holiday



Peter Pan, Lichfield Garrick

Reception, Year 1/2/3 – Tuesday 30th November 1.00pm Performance

Depart from school 12.15pm – by coach (children to have early lunch)

Depart Lichfield Garrick approximately 15.30pm, travel back at school by coach.
(We will ~~MyEd~~ an estimated arrival time once children depart, children to be collected from usual pick up points)

Full school uniform to be worn, coat will be required

Please send your child with a non-fizzy disposable drink to take and a snack
(N/B Children will not be able to purchase snacks or drinks at the theatre)



Peter Pan, Lichfield Garrick

Year 4/5/6 – Tuesday 30th November 1.00pm Performance

Depart from school 12.00pm – by foot (children to have early lunch)

Depart Lichfield Garrick approximately 15.30pm, travel back to school by foot
(We will MyEd an estimated arrival time once children depart, children to be collected from usual pick up points)

Full school uniform to be worn, warm coat will be required

Please send your child with a non-fizzy disposable drink to take and a snack
(N/B Children will not be able to purchase snacks or drinks at the theatre)