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Dear Parents/Carers

MyChildAtSchool – MCAS – School Meals

As from today, all school meals will need to be booked using our new app – MyChildAtSchool (MACS). We will no longer be using Parent Pay for this purpose. School meals will be booked in the same way and you will still need to select your child’s chosen meal. Meals will need to be booked by Thursday for the following week. If you wish your child to have a school meal week commencing 6th November, this must be booked by Thursday 2nd November.

We are happy to see so many of you have already activated and started accessing our new app MyChildAtSchool and can see that many of you have already started booking your child’s school meals.

For those of you who have not activated your app, please can we ask that you do this should as soon as possible following the link below.

[MyChildAtSchool - Forgotten Login](#)

Important dates:

- Monday, 23rd October - Prospective Rising 5 Parent Visit at 10am in Main Hall
- " " " - Year 5 Dodgeball Competition at Xcel Centre 12.00-2.45pm
- Tuesday, 24th October - Last Forest School session for class 1P & 4P
- " " " - PE Leader Training at Howes for PE Leaders 1.15 pm
- Wednesday, 25th October - Parents’ Consultation Meetings with teachers in school 3.30-7pm
- " " " - Roald Dahls Dressing Up Day & Preloved Book Sale
- Thursday, 26th October - Class 2S assembly at 9.05 am
- " " " - Class 5S assembly at 2.40 pm
- " " " - **PARENTS FROM ABOVE CLASSES ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND**
- Friday, 27th October - Harvest collection for Coventry Food Bank ends at 9am
- " " " - Break up for half term
- " " " - Wear Red Day for Show Racism The Red Card

A message from the Pupil Leadership Team

A reminder of our upcoming fundraising day on Wednesday 25th October. Stivichall will be raising money for Roald Dahl's Marvellous Children's Charity.

- Bring in £1 and dress up as your favourite Roald Dahl character.
- Bring in your favourite Roald Dahl book to share with your class.
- A small donation for a pre-loved book through our book sale within school. The book sale will be cash only and run before school on Wednesday from 8:30am and open at lunch time.
- 'Dreaming up' your own Roald Dahl character in class.

Wear Red Day for Show Racism The Red Card

We will be celebrating Wear Red Day 2023 on Friday 27th October to show our support for the charity Show Racism the Red Card. Your child will be having a lesson on this day using educational resources provided by this charity, aimed at raising awareness about racism and accepting differences. Please wear an item of red on that day to show your support. This may be as simple as a pair of red socks or a red hair band – it does not need to be school uniform and there is no donation required.

Israel Palestine Conflict

Hearing of the assault launched by Hamas and subsequent escalation in violence between Israel and Palestine will no doubt have affected all of us in some way, our thoughts are with all of the innocent victims of this devastating conflict. We know that children will have been exposed to a breadth of media coverage and social media responses, they will be processing this information and may want to talk about it.

Talking about subjects such as terrorism and conflict can lead into wider discussions about politics, identity, history or prejudice, which are so important in helping young people understand the world around them. The advice is that, where possible, teachers and parents should be proactive in these conversations, rather than reactive. We, as adults, can help make sure they feel able to talk about any confusion and fears.

Supportive resources are available.

- CBBC Newsround discuss in an age appropriate way, [Israel and Hama – What's happening?](#)
- Newsround have also put together a [short video aimed at children](#) and explains what they can do if upset by the news.

Coventry Children's Boot Fund

Mrs. Perkins (our Learning Mentor) is holding a raffle in aid of the Coventry Children's boot fund. There are two prizes to be won, a chocolate hamper and a giant chocolate chip cookie (Halloween theme). Tickets will be on sale from Monday 23rd October until Friday 27th (at lunchtime) and will be a £1 per strip.

Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Christmas Card Project

This project has been organised as a fundraising activity by the school. All orders are greatly appreciated as any profit made will support resources for Art in school. All orders are printed by School Fundraising and will delivered back to school in November. If you would like to place an order, please use the link and code on your flyer and pay for your order online. Please note our online shop closes on Tuesday, 24th October 2023. All orders need to be placed by then. Thank you for your support.

All the children's drawings can be viewed at: <http://www.school-fundraising.co.uk/school-gallery/?ID=GGJOHTRK>

Parents' Meetings with Teachers in school

I hope that those parents who attended this week's parent consultation meetings found them useful and enjoyed being in school meeting your child's class teacher face to face.

A reminder that the next parent consultation meeting with teachers for those that are still to attend, will take place in school on the following day:

- Wednesday 25th October 3.30 – 7.00 pm All year groups

Please note that all appointments are for 10 minutes. Parents should book their appointments via SchoolCloud but attend in person at school on the date and time booked.

Bookings can be booked by clicking the following link: <https://stivichall.schoolcloud.co.uk>

Bookings for Wednesday, 25th October close at 12 noon on Monday, 23rd October. Thank you to all those parents who have already booked their appointments.

If parents are late for their appointment, teachers will do their best to accommodate but they may need to wait for the next available gap.

Harvest collection

A reminder that we are still collecting for our Harvest Appeal this year in support of the Coventry Central Foodbank. We are collecting tinned, dried or packaged non-perishable food which they can use in their work in the city. If you are able to donate any of these items, please place them in either of the two black bins positioned along the pathway near the library and the start of the main playground as you walk into school at drop off time. Please ensure that all items donated have not passed their expiry date.

Year 6 SATs Study and Practice Workbooks

These books are available to purchase through school at a discounted price. Please log on to your ParentPay account to view the four books that are available to order and pay accordingly. A letter with all the details has been sent out separately via ParentMail to year 6 parents.

Music

Music invoices have been sent out and are now due. We apologise that these are not able to be paid via ParentPay. Payments should be made by cheque where possible. Thank you.

Mr Oswin will be making up his missed Tuesday lesson on Wednesday 25th October.

Mrs Mohan's lessons on Friday 27th October have been rescheduled for Thursday 26th October.

Eco Tip

Each week, our Eco Warriors will be sharing an 'Eco-Tip of the Week' with you in our newsletter. We will also be keeping the school website and Twitter updated with what the Eco team have been up to.

This week's top eco tip: When you go shopping remember to take reusable bags (Jaen 4S)



PTA

School Disco – Today! Friday 20th October

It's party time and we're all looking forward to the school disco this evening! Tickets for this popular event are now sold out. Here's a reminder of the start and finish times:

KS1- 3:20 – 4:30 (all reception children must be accompanied by an adult)

KS2 – 4:45 – 6:15

Details for drop off and pick up were sent out yesterday via parentmail.

A drink, snack and glow item are included in the ticket price. Additional drinks, snacks, face painting, glitter tattoos and glow items will be available to buy during the event for pocket money prices.

Committee Meeting

All parents, carers and school staff, are invited to the next PTA committee meeting. This is your opportunity to get involved in your PTA, make a difference to the Stivichall community and help give our children the best possible childhood experiences

Date: Wednesday 8th November 2023 Venue and Time: TBC

Christmas Fayre Update

Saturday 2nd December 2023 - 11.00am – 2.00pm

Planning is underway for our spectacular Christmas Fayre which will take place on Saturday 2nd December from 11.00am – 2.00pm.

Raffle; The PTA would love to hear from anyone who can support with unique and enticing raffle prizes. If you own a business, or know someone who does, we would be immensely grateful for a contribution to our raffle. Please contact the PTA via email – ptastivichall@gmail.com

External stalls; We are welcoming applications from sole traders and small businesses who are interested in having a stall at the Christmas Fayre. If you are interested please contact us at ptastivichall@gmail.com and let us know a little bit about your business. The deadline for the applications is Friday 27th October 2023 and we will let you know as soon as possible after this date.

Volunteers; Please also let us know if you are able to contribute to the planning or running of the Christmas Fayre; however small that contribution may be it will be very much valued!

And finally... thank you so much for being a vital part of our school community; let's work together to make these upcoming events truly memorable for all our children.

Yours sincerely

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