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Dear Parents/Carers

Please be aware tomorrow (Friday 3rd May) is an INSET day. School closes this afternoon at the usual time and will re-open again on Tuesday after the bank holiday Monday. We hope you all enjoy the extended bank holiday weekend!

Important Dates for next week:

- Tuesday 7th May - Forest Schools for R3 and 1/2M (due to the bank holiday)
- Friday 10th May - Rounders friendly Vs Finham away
- Thursday 16th May - Superhero Themed Lunch (please book via MCAS by Thursday 9th May)

School News

- We are delighted to share that Mrs Gould gave birth to a healthy baby girl named Beatrix on 17th April weighing 8 lbs 1oz. We are very happy for Mr and Mrs Gould and have enjoyed meeting her yesterday.
- We are also delighted to share that Mrs Lal has been united with her baby daughter and has started adoption leave. We look forward to seeing them both in the weeks ahead.
- Mrs Adjet leaves today and will be spending more time with her family. We wish her well and hope to recruit a new Reception Teaching Assistant in the forthcoming week.
- Mrs Keatman will be leaving at the end of this half term after over 20 years with us at Stivichall, first as a volunteer and then as a TA. Mrs Keatman will be retiring and looking forward to travelling and seeing the world. Mrs Knight will be picking up Mrs Keatman's dyslexia support.

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: Try to put what you can eat on your plate to limit food waste (Jaan, 4S)

Payment Reminders

The following activity payments are live and are now due. You can pay via your My Child at School account. You will find it under 'Trips – Available Trips'. Please remember to complete and sign any associated paperwork and return it to school as soon as possible.

- Year 4 Overnight Camp (Rough Close) - Due by Monday 13th May
- Class 3P, 3S and 3/4M Botanical Gardens - Due by Friday 17th May
- Year 3 Overnight Camp - Due by Monday 3rd June
- Year 6 (current year 5) Dol-y-Moch - 2nd payment due by Friday 14th June
- Year 5 (current year 4) PGL Caythorpe - 2nd payment due by Friday 12th July

Tennis Kit Competition

West Midlands Police have sent over an exciting opportunity for the school to win a tennis kit! All you need to do to enter is to design a poster or produce any form of artwork to highlight **the benefits of sport or the benefits of tennis**. The competition closes on 31st May 2024 and you can send your entry direct to matt.meade@westmidlands.police.uk

Good Luck!

PTA News

PTA Disco & Non Uniform Day

It was lovely to see so many pupils enjoying themselves at the disco last Friday night. We would like to say a huge thank you to the committee, volunteers and all the staff who gave up their time to organise and help with the event. Also, thank you to everyone who participated in non-uniform day in exchange for an item for this year's summer fayre!

Need any Uniform?

We hope to run **pre-loved uniform stalls** after school on Friday 10th May and Tuesday 14th May, weather permitting. There will be a range of items available for sale, so do stop by and have a look. Items are also available to buy online via <https://app.uniformd.co.uk/schools>

Information on the **new uniform pre-ordering service** run by the PTA will follow in the coming weeks.

Water Bottle

Please remember to send your child in to school with a water bottle. It is important that they have a water bottle in school especially as the weather starts to get warmer (we hope!)

Online Safety

We think that safety online is very important. There are lots of easy ways to help keep your children safe. We have found some really useful links to show you how to add parental control to our children's devices. Please click below.

IOS – parental control advice

[Use parental controls on your child's iPhone and iPad – Apple Support \(UK\)](#)

Android – parental control advice

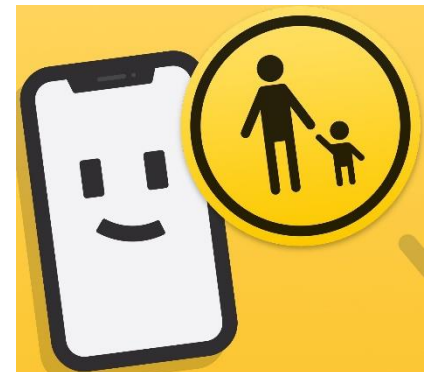
[Google's parental controls – Google Safety Centre](#)

We also found a great video that explains how to set up family share on IOS devices

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8siFNH-brM4>

We hope this is useful.

Thank you from Stivichalls OSCOM team.



Road Safety

West Midlands Combined Authority have launched a consultation on the regional Road Safety Action Plan. The plan is to set out the actions that the WMCA will take to help halve the number of people killed or seriously injured on our roads by 2030.

They have asked for support from parents to fill out the following survey wmroadsafety.commonplace.is.

The consultation closes on May 10th.

National Walking Month

May is National Walking Month. Walking is an easy and free way to help us to improve our health and stay connected to our friends and family. Walking for just 20 minutes every day can help us to achieve a noticeable, positive impact on our health and mental wellbeing. Why not leave the car at home or at the park and walk to school!

Kind regards

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