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24th May 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

The half term break begins today and school will re-open for children on Monday 3rd June.

Important Dates week commencing 3rd June:

- Monday 3rd June - First Forest Schools for 6S
- " " " - Year 3 & 3/4M trip to the Birmingham Botanical Gardens
- Thursday 6th June - Hands On Science workshop for 6S & 6P
- Friday 7th June - Flyte Gymnastics Display 14:00 – 14:30

Note from PTA trustees

Thank you to those who supported the Spring Discos, a success with over four hundred children in attendance. With the vast majority of our school children attending, we had a relatively small number of parents supporting the organisation before the event and too few supporting the management of the event on the night. This shortage of volunteers puts greater pressure on a smaller group of diligent volunteers and is not sustainable.

The Parents & Teachers Association is wholly reliant on the support of the school community to create events to enrich our children’s primary school experience and of course, raise funds for the school to support the purchase of resources. In recent years engagement from parents has dropped away and in turn the PTA is now at risk of closure.

The School are clear that without the support of parents, the roster of events including Christmas & Summer Fayres will not take place. Equally, funds which are currently used to support the purchase of incoming children’s book bags, leavers T-shirts and then support bigger items like the golden mile, classroom equipment etc. will be lost.

We need to shake the apathy and reluctance of some of the school community towards supporting PTA events, or else the charity will be closed. There is a need for support at every level, such as:

- To organise aspects of the Summer Fayre
- Support administration of the PTA incl. taking up trusteeship roles
- and of course on the day support of events

Support can involve anything from making phone calls and writing letters to obtain prizes for raffles, to helping to write the risk assessments for particular activities, to offering face painting skills...the list goes on. Ideally, we will gather enough support for no one parent to need to take on too much and, with the right level of support, the much-loved events that are part of our children's school calendar will be able to continue.

Please contact the PTA email (ptastivichall@gmail.com) or join the PTA Community WhatsApp groups and actively engage in the organisation of the forthcoming Summer Fayre and PTA in general.

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/GmWtEcBWAXaDUecODQkwLD>

Thank You

School News

- Our year 4 children attended their year 4 overnight camp at Rough Close last night. The children enjoyed sharing their talents with each other, singing songs and eating chips out of paper around the campfire. We hope they have had a great time continuing with their adventures at the campsite today.

Parent Drop ins

Thank you to all of the parents and carers that were able to pop into school for our afternoon drop-in session on Thursday. It was lovely to see you in school and to listen to children proudly sharing their learning with you. We will continue to try to alter the timings and days to give as many of you the opportunity to attend as possible.

Clubs & Sports News

- Orienteering- a team of year 4 children took part in an outdoor adventurous afternoon at Rough close on Tuesday afternoon. They worked in teams of four and had to follow the map to find the answers to the questions. They all worked really hard as a team and thoroughly enjoyed their afternoon!
- Netball club has been a really popular club and has ran all year. The club will now finish and will start again in September. To finish off the year we have entered the netball rally today and eagerly await to find out how we do.
- Cricket has now finished for the academic year.
- New club - We are pleased to be offering a Year 5 hockey club for summer term 2. Letters have been sent out.
- Athletics for Year 2 on a Monday is continuing, you will need to sign up even if you were already a part of the club.
- Jam Coding – an email was sent out to KS2 children this week regarding sign up.
- Dance club- Miss Bachelor still has spaces in her dance club which is open to year 5 on Mondays after school. See the office for a letter if you wish to join. The group are currently learning a dance routine to perform at a show in October!

Music Tuition: Academic Year 2024/2025

Letters for instrumental lessons for the next academic year have been sent out this week to children in current Years 1 to 5. If you wish your child to start / continue / stop instrumental lessons, please ensure that you return the appropriate slip by **Friday, 14th June**.

- Children in Year 2 (current year 1) are invited to learn the recorder or violin.
- Year 3 to 6 (current year 2 to 5) are invited to learn all instruments.

Flyte Gymnastics Display

If your child has been attending Flyte Gymnastics club at lunchtimes then you should have received a notification via MCAS, inviting you to attend a short display on Friday 7th June starting at 2.00 pm. Please use the entrance on Coat of Arms Bridge Road and wait for the gate to be released at 1:50pm approximately. Two seats per family have been allocated. We hope that you are all able to attend.

Evening of Music

If your child has been notified that they will be performing in this year's Evening of Music then please make sure you have returned your reply slip by **Wednesday 12th June**. The children taking part will need their instruments in school for rehearsals on Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th June.

Sports Day – Thursday 13th June

We are delighted that we are able to invite parents to attend their child's Sports Day next month. The timings are as follows:

- Reception, Year 1 and 2 9.30 – 11.30 am
- Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 1.30 – 3.00 pm

In the morning, each infant will be accompanied by a junior child as they try to complete a range of athletic activities, organised by year 6.

In the afternoon, the junior children will have a more traditional range of sports day events on and around the field. The entrance on Coat of Arms Bridge Road will be opened at 1.25 pm to allow parents on to the school site.

All children should come to school wearing their house colours/PE kit for the day.

We hope everyone has an enjoyable day.

Payment Reminders

The following activity payments are live and are now due. You can pay via your My Child at School Account. Please remember to complete and sign any associated paperwork and return it to school as soon as possible.

- Year 3 Overnight Camp - Due by Monday 3rd June
- Year 6 Heart Dissection Workshop - Due by Monday 3rd June
- Year 6 (current year 5) Dol-y-Moch - 2nd Payment due 14th June
- Year 5 (current year 4) PGL - 2nd Payment due 12th July

School Transfer September 2024

It is important that you notify the school in writing, as soon as possible, if your child will be changing school in September. This ensures that places are offered in a timely manner and enables all schools to receive the appropriate funding for the forthcoming year.

Year 6 Ice-Cream / Samosa Sale

A reminder that Year 6 will be holding an ice-cream and samosa sale after school on Friday 7th June and Friday 14th June to raise additional funds for their end of year celebration. Tables will be set up at the Green Lane and Coat of Arms Bridge Road entrances and items will be on sale for £1 each. Many thanks in advance for your support.

Parent-Led Family Quiz Night

Friday 7th June, 6pm-8pm at Green Lane Ex-Servicemen's Club, Leasowes Avenue

Please come and join us for an evening of quiz fun, with rounds designed to challenge and entertain the whole family. This is a parent-led event to raise funds for the Year 6 leavers party, and players of all ages are welcome to come and put their brains together for the cause.

Tickets are £10 per family (max 6) in advance or £12 on the door and include free access to the disco/karaoke after-party! If you'd like to come along, please contact Jen at jennieredshaw@yahoo.com or 07825649266.

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: Always opt for using re-usable water bottles rather than single use plastic. Stainless steel ones also keep your drinks nice and cool in summer! (School Office)

Warwick Arts Centre – Creative sessions for families

Warwick Arts Centre has free creative activities for families every Sunday. Drop in for creative workshops led by their featured artists-in-residence. Working across visual arts, dance, drama, spoken word and music. Spend time together as a family making, exploring and having fun. There is no need to book, the sessions are free, just drop in!



When: Every Sunday between 5th May and 23rd June 2024 from 1:30pm until 4pm.

Where: Warwick Arts Centre, University of Warwick, Coventry, CV4 7AL

For more information contact: 024 7649 6000

Coventry SEND



Please see the following link for local events and activities particularly created for and around SEND children. They have a whole host of support and information available to parents and carers and specifically tailored events.

[In Partnership - May 24 \(govdelivery.com\)](https://www.govdelivery.com)

Kind regards,

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