

Old Park Primary School



Newsletter 3: 16th September 2024

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Message from the headteacher

Welcome to the start of the new week. We had a busy week last week with Year 6 visiting Cannock Chase as part of their world war 2 topic and participating in the Dawley remembers event. Pupils from Year 2 onwards were also sorting out their instruments ready for the start of the In Harmony lessons this week. I am really looking forward to seeing/hearing what amazing pieces of music everyone works on this year. During PE lessons last week we had a large number of pupils who were not wearing the correct uniform. As a reminder on PE days all pupils should wear, blue or black tracksuit bottoms or shorts, a plain white or red t-shirt or polo shirt, their school jumper or cardigan and trainers (any colour). If you have any issues meeting the uniform requirements please speak to your child's class teacher. SLT are also visiting Maths lessons across the school this week and we are all excited to look at the amazing learning/work that has already been completed this term. I hope you all have a good week.

Parent governor elections



Thank you to those parents who submitted applications. We received four applications, so therefore we will send out details on how to vote in the election this week via ParentPay. Votes will be cast via an online link, but paper copies will be available at reception.

TIHYO

The TIHYO orchestra will be starting back up this week and is open to all pupils in year 4, 5 and 6. Letters are being sent out to those pupils that are interested in attending. Sessions take place between 3:15 and 5:30 on the Thursdays below:

**26th September, 3rd October, 10th October,
17th October, 14th November, 21st November and
28th November.**

ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE

Well done to the following classes for beating the 96% attendance challenge last week.

**FB, FG, 1G, 1H, 2V, 3F, 3FP, 4C, 4W, 5CF, 5EF,
5W and 6W**

A special well done to **4C** who had the highest attendance across the school last week.

European day of languages

On **Thursday 26th September** we will be celebrating European day of languages. As pupils from key stage 2 onwards study French all pupils are invited to come to school on this day wearing red, white or blue (like the French flag). The Kitchen will also be serving a special menu on the day of French bread pizza, French fries, an extra special salad bar and French themed cupcakes. This meal can be paid for via ParentPay in the usual way.

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SAVE THE DATE

Autumn 1

Monday 23rd September	Start of In Harmony lessons in school
Thursday 26th September	European day of languages (pupils to wear red, white & blue)
Thursday 26th September	Start of TIHYO (3:15-5:30)
Tuesday 1st October	Nasal flu vaccinations in school
Friday 4th October	Year 3-6 Racism awareness workshops
Tuesday 22nd October	School photographs
Thursday 24th October	Last day of half term for pupils
Friday 25th October	Staff PD day

Term dates 2024-2025

Tuesday 3rd September 2024	Autumn term starts
25th October—1st November	October half term holidays
Monday 4th November	Autumn 2 term begins
20th December-3rd January 2025	Christmas holidays
Monday 6th January 2025	Spring term begins
17th—21st February 2025	February half term holidays
Monday 24th February	Spring 2 term begins
14th April—25th April	Easter holidays
Monday 28th April	Summer term begins
Monday 5th May	May day bank holiday
26th May—30th May	May half term holidays
Monday 2nd June	Staff PD day
Tuesday 3rd June	Summer 2 term begins
Friday 18th July	Last day of term/academic year

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