

# Old Park Primary School



Newsletter 8: 21st October 2024

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## Message from the headteacher

Welcome to the final week of the half term! Remember that pupils finish for the half term holidays on Thursday 24th October, as Friday 25th October is a PD day for staff when we will be renewing our first aid qualifications. Thank you to all the parents that completed the questionnaire that we sent out a couple of weeks ago. I will be analysing all of the feedback this week and will share my findings with you in the first newsletter back after half term. Good luck to all the pupils taking part in sporting events this week, we have the cross country event and hockey on Tuesday and Year 5/6 football on Thursday. On Wednesday 23rd October the kitchen will be serving a Halloween themed lunch and the hall will be decorated for the pupils to enjoy a spooky setting! Finally a big thank you for all you support this half term, and I hope that everyone has an enjoyable and safe break.

## Parent interviews

Parent interviews will be taking place the first week back after half term (4th—8th November). You will receive an email to book an appointment.

Monday 4th November : **1G, 1J, 3/4P, and 3C**

Tuesday 5th November: **2V, 2K, 4C, 5W and 6W**

Wednesday 6th November: **3F and 5EF**

Thursday 7th November: **FB, 1H, 2B, 4W, 5CF and 6A**

Friday 8th November: **FG and FW**

## Year 6 secondary school applications

A reminder that applications for secondary schools need to be completed by **31st October** via the Telford and Wrekin portal, the address of which can be found below

[How do I apply? - Secondary School Admissions - Telford & Wrekin Council](#)

If you need any support with your child's secondary school application please see one of the Year 6 team. To ensure that you get the best chance of securing your first choice school it is important your application is submitted by the 31st October deadline.

## ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE

Whole school attendance last week: **94.8%**

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

**FB, FG, FW, 1H, 1J, 2V, 3/4P, 3C, 3F, 5EF, and 6W**

**A special well done to FG and FW who had the highest attendance across the school last week!**

## School photographs

A reminder that school photographs are taking place on **Tuesday 22nd October**. Please ensure all pupils are in correct school uniform.



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**SAVE THE DATE**

## Autumn 1

Tuesday 22nd October	School photographs
Wednesday 23rd October	Halloween themed lunch
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
Monday 4th—Friday 8th November	Parent interview week
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

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## Halloween Menu

Wednesday 23rd October

Wizards cheese burgers

Witches Sausage wands

(Vegetarian Sausage)



From the cauldron

Bubbling Beans

Popping sweetcorn

with

Frenzied Fries

with spooky sauce



Something Sweet

Cackling Cakes

or

Slithering snakes on cakes

or

Halloween Biscuits

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## Protect our children!

**Parents and guardians:** Our kids are now most commonly abused online, via their mobile phones and games consoles. Do you know how to keep your kids safe?

Learn more about the dangers of kids being online and how you can keep them safe. Join our free one hour online parent awareness session to give yourself a head start in an ever changing digital world.

Scan the QR code to find out more about our awareness training and to sign up to one of our free sessions or go to [www.westmercia.police.uk/exploitworkshops](http://www.westmercia.police.uk/exploitworkshops)



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**FAMILY HUBS**

## SOUTHWATER DROP IN



Every Wednesday 9.30am - 12:30pm  
Southwater Library – children's section

- Advice and signposting
- Information on parenting/ courses
- Support and guidance around accessing local community activities
- Family hubs information



Provided by  
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