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NEWSLETTER – Autumn Term 2026 – Issue 6 – Monday 23rd November 2026

Dear Parents,

Over the last few weeks, we had some great moments which I wanted to share in school. All children from Reception to Y6 took part in an anti-bullying workshop, which helped raised further awareness of the importance of anti-bullying. Last week was national anti-bullying week and in last Monday's assembly children had some scenarios that they had to work through and decide how they would react and support each other.

The school participated in the two minutes silence for Armistice Day and Y5 shared with parents a wonderful assembly on Remembrance Day. It was not only poignant and thought-provoking but really showed how the children came together to remember those fallen soldiers and how that can impact on our behaviours today. Thank you if you were able to raise money for the Royal British Legion.

For Children in Need this year, the children all took on our own Gladiators Assault course, and children came dressed spotty or in their own clothes. I am pleased to say that in total we raised £108.10. Thank you to all those who contributed.

EYFS NATIVITY

Please be aware that the dates for the EYFS Nativity for Nursery and Reception parents, will now be starting at 9.30am on Tuesday 1st December and Wednesday 2nd December. Tickets will be needed for families to attend.

BOOK BUS VISIT

On the afternoon of Tuesday 1st December, we have the Book Bus visiting school. Last year was very popular for children to come along and have a look at books, and for some to purchase some. A reminder that we recommend children bringing a small amount of cash in a sealed envelope or Bus vouchers, which can be purchased via the following link: https://thebookbus.co.uk/products/the-book-bus-gift-card-15
There is no obligation for children to make a purchase - but children will still be able to attend with their class groups on the Bus for those who may have forgotten their money. Parents can still visit after school on the day, until approximately 4pm. They will have a card reader for parents, if easier.

WATER BOTTLES IN SCHOOL

If children are bringing bottles for use in class or at lunchtime, please can you make sure they have names written on the bottles if you want them keeping, as after a few days they become a health hazard in school and will be thrown away.

CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES AND ACTIVITIES

Next week we have YR and YN performing the nativity, see dates and times above.

Wednesday 9th December, straight after school, the PTA will have the annual Christmas Fayre.

Friday 11th December – Christmas Dinner Day, see slips that have gone to parents to book your dinner. Christmas Dress up day (Christmas hats, jumpers or costumes) can be worn on this day.

Monday 14th December – Visit to the Hive to see Santa, for our younger children.

On Wednesday 16th December at 5pm, it will be Y1-Y6's turn, with our annual 'Carols around the Christmas Tree' service. For 'Carols around the Christmas Tree', we would ask that children come back to school in school uniform. The gate on to the playground will be opened at 4.45pm where a member of staff will guide children to the classrooms until 4.55pm. The performance should last no longer than an hour. At the end of the performance children will return to class to collect their belongings and all children will be dismissed via the hall.

BLOCK 2 CLUBS

A reminder to parents of any children attending block 2 clubs, that all clubs will finish by week ending Friday 11th December. Only wraparound club will take place on Monday 14th and Tuesday 15th December until 5.30pm, and on Wednesday 16th December until 4.15pm only.

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DATES FOR THE DIARY

Tuesday 1st December – all PM Book Bus in school

Tuesday 1st December & Wednesday 2nd December 9.30am YN and YR Nativity for EYFS parents only.

Thursday 3rd December – flu catch-up session all pm.

Monday 7th December – Walsall Football Club – kids cup, selected Y5/6 children for football competition.

Wednesday 9th December – After school – PTA Christmas Fayre

Thursday 10th December – 2pm Parent Reflexions session.

Sunday 13th December – Pudding Run organised by Sneyd Stryders.

Monday 14th December – AM, YR and KS1 visit to the Hive to see Father Christmas

Wednesday 16th December – 5pm, Carols Around the Christmas Tree. Final wraparound club until 4.15pm only.

Thursday 17th December – WOW of the term assembly. Finish at 1.30pm – no wraparound club

Friday 18th December – TRAINING DAY, no children in school on this day.

Monday 21st December 2026 - Friday 1ST January 2027 – CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

Monday 4th January – TRAINING DAY, no children in school on this day.

Tuesday 5th January – Start of Spring Term 2027

Monday 11th January – NHS eye tests for all YR children & 12pm- end of the day – YOUNG VOICES

Tuesday 12th January – Y5 final swimming

Tuesday 19th January – Y4 start swimming sessions

Thursday 4th February – Y5 out all day at Safeside

Friday 5th February – NSPCC number day

Tuesday 9th February – Safer Internet Day

Wednesday 10th February – Parent's Evening

Thursday 11th February – 2pm parent reflexion session

Friday 12th February – Break up for half term

Monday 15th February 2027 - Friday 19th February 2027 – HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Monday 22nd February – Start of Spring term 2

Monday 22nd February-Wednesday 24th February – Y5/6 at Boreatton Park

Tuesday 23rd February – no swimming

Wednesday 3rd March – 10.30-11.30am – EYFS Mother's day play and stay. 2.30pm – Y3 Chinese New Year assembly for Y3 parents.

Thursday 4th March – World Book Day

Friday 5th March – British Science Week starts, inc Monday 8th March Science workshops all day.

Monday 8th March-Tuesday 9th March – KS1 visit to Boreatton Park

Yours sincerely,
Mr M. Gilbert, Headteacher

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