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### **BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

October is Black History month. We will be using this time to share, celebrate and understand the impact of black heritage and culture with the DIGDEEPER, LOOK CLOSER, THII infant and junior children.



This will be a focus in some assemblies and lessons throughout the month in both schools. In the juniors, each class will be researching different people who have achieved great things either in the past or more recently as part of this focus and they will share the information they have discovered with the other junior children in assemblies.

# **PARENTS' EVENINGS**

Letters have been sent home with all children this week providing details of this term's Parents' Evenings.

# **Nursery**

Tues 14th and Wed 15th October 3.30 to 6pm

# Infant School (Rec, Y1 and Y2)

Wed 15th and Thurs 16th October 3.30 to 6pm

#### Junior School—NEXT WEEK!

Wed 8th and Thurs 9th October 3.40 to 6.10pm

The Book Fair will be available at the Junior School Parents' Evening

### Return your booking form to the office

Please complete and return your booking form as soon as possible so that we can allocate a convenient appointment for you.

### **WALK TO SCHOOL MONTH**

October is Walk to School month! All children are encouraged to walk, scoot or cycle to school during the month. Avoiding bringing your child to school by car helps reduce congestion around the schools, creates a safer environment and takes away the stress of finding somewhere to park.

# YEAR 1 VISITS TO WALSALL LEATHER MUSEUM

Each Year 1 class will be visiting Walsall Leather Museum soon as part of their history curriculum. They are looking at toys through history and whilst they are at the Leather Museum, they will be making their own teddy bear!

A separate letter has been sent to Year 1 parents and carers with full details.

# YEAR 4 EXTRA PACT WORKSHOP NEXT TUESDAY

We are offering a special extra PACT workshop for all Year 4 families next Tuesday (7th October) at 9am.

The workshop will focus on Multiplication Tables; looking at strategies to help all the Year 4 children to know their times tables with confidence and fluency.

# **BELL RINGING AT ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH**

Is your child in Year 6? Would they be interested in joining the team of bell ringers at St. Matthew's Church? Free church bell ringing taster sessions are available after school on Tuesdays.

If you would like more details, please contact Mr. Orlik.



# JUNIOR LIBRARY OPENING AFTER SCHOOL—CHILDREN CAN VISIT ACCOMPANIED BY PARENTS/CARERS

We are delighted to be able to offer Junior School families the opportunity to visit our Junior library straight after school to choose and borrow books to enjoy at home.



Straight after school: Mondays Years 3 and 4—Tuesdays Years 5 and 6.

# **CLASS ATTENDANCE WINNERS**



Infants— Tawny Owls 99.18%

Juniors— 3RF 98.67%



# **HARVEST SERVICES**

We are asking for food donations for our Harvest Services once again. All items will be passed to the Black Country Foodbank after the services.



On the day of your child's service, please send any of these much needed items:

- CARTONS OF LONG LIFE FRUIT
   JUICE
- · CARTONS OF UHT MILK
- CORDIAL/SQUASH
- SMALL JARS OF COFFEE
- TEA BAGS BOX OF 40'S
- TINNED CHOPPED TOMATOES
- TINNED POTATOES/MASH
- TINNED FRUIT
- TINNED CUSTARD/RICE
   PUDDING
- TINNED READY MEALS
   (MEATBALLS/CHILLI/MAC AND CHEESE)

- TINNED MEAT (HAM/CORNED BEEF)
- TINNED FRAY BENTOS PIES
- TINNED FISH
- TINNED VEGETABLES
- BREAKFAST CEREAL
- PASTA SAUCE
- SAVOURY RICE
- INSTANT NOODLES
- ROLL ON DEODORANT
- SHAMPOO
- SHOWER GEL
- TOILET ROLL
- BARS OF SOAP

Parents/Carers are invited to join us for the services:

Junior School Fri 17th Oct 10.30am at St. Matthew's Church

Infant School Wed 22nd Oct 10am at the Infant School

# **REMINDER: BLUE COAT IS A NUT FREE ZONE!**

To keep members of the community with nut



allergies safe, we do not have any nuts or products containing nuts on either school site. Please

ensure that you do not send anything into school in a packed lunch or as a snack that contains nuts.

Thank you for your support with this policy.

# No nuts

# MAYOR'S VISIT—NEXT WEEK



The Infant and the Junior Schools have won an A Stars Award for the work we do with the community to support sustainable transport. The Mayor of Walsall will be presenting our award to the Infant and Junior A Star Sheriffs on Thursday 9th October in the Infant Celebration Assembly.

# YEAR 6 SECONDARY SCHOOL PREFERENCES

Parents/Carers must make sure their preference form is submitted through the local authority online portal by

# 10pm 31st October 2025

If you would like support in completing this process, please email

familysupport@bluecoatfederation.co.uk

# **PACT WORKSHOPS**

AUTUMN TERM PACT WORKSHOPS ALL STARTING 9AM
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Year Group	Date	Focus Parents and Children Togetho
Nursery	Mon 10th Nov	Library visits am and pm
Year 1	Fri 7th Nov	Writing
Year 2	Fri 10th Oct NEXT WEEK!	Writing
Year 3	Tues 11th Nov	Reading
Year 4	Tues 7th Oct  SPECIAL EXTRA  NEXT WEEK!	Maths - Multiplication Tables
	Tues 18th Nov	Reading
Year 5	Tues 14th Oct	Writing
	Tues 25th Nov	Reading
Year 6	Tues 21st Oct	Writing
	Tues 2nd Dec	Reading

