

Wed 02.04.25	Y5 Eid Celebration - see text message sent 13.03.25
Thurs 03.04.25	Homework Showcase - 1:45pm - Reception, Y2, Y4, Y6
Thurs 03.04.25	Homework Showcase - 2:15pm - Y1, Y3, Y5
Tues 08.04.25	Easter Menu - see below
Wed 09.04.25	Y2 Easter Celebration - see text message sent 14.03.25
Thurs 10.04.25	Y6 Family Learning Session - see text message sent 13.03.25
Fri 11.04.25	Break-up for Easter break
Mon 28.04.25	Return to school
Wed 30.04.25	St George's Menu - see below
Wed 30.04.25	Year 3 Family Learning Session - see text message sent 13.03.25
Thurs 01.05.25	Inset Day
Mon 12.05 to Thurs 15.05	KS2 SATs - more information to follow
Mon 19.05.25	Class Photographs
Fri 23.05.25	Break-up for half-term
Mon 02.06.25	Return to school
Wk beg 02.06.25	KS2 Multiplication Checks
Wk beg 09.06.25	KS1 Phonics Checks
Fri 20.06.25	Inset Day
Mon 23.06.25	Inset Day
Mon 21.07.25	Break-up for Summer holidays

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your support with the book fair. We hope the children are enjoying the book treats. The school also received £449 in rewards from the company. We have already chosen some books for the children to enjoy in school.

A huge well done to Year 3 and 5 for their performance with the Shakespeare theatre group to launch Shakespeare week at the Old Rep theatre in Birmingham. It was a fantastic opportunity for the children to experience performing on stage, and the children certainly made the most of it. We thank all families who supported this event and the staff who provided encouragement and organised everything in the background.

Children in nursery had a visit from the animal man who brought in a range of animals for the children to experience, including: a snake, owl and skunk.

Our football team won our area league matches and progressed to play Elston Hall in the city championships. Elston Hall were the stronger team on the day but were challenged by a skilled Wood End team who restricted Elston Hall's win to 4:2. Well done Wood End for getting further than we have got for a very long time.

Year 2 visited the Black Country museum as part of their history topic. Their knowledge and positive attitude was praised by the staff at the museum. Well done year 2.

Year 4 joined an online event learning about the exciting job of animation in creating the Beano cartoons. We may have some animators in the future.

Year 3 and 5 joined an online question and answer session with Marcia Williams providing an insight into the workings of an author and illustrator.

Year 1 visited Dudley Zoo as part of their science topic. They enjoyed seeing all the animals and learning about their habitats. The children were very excited and were able to talk about their day with confidence and in detail.

Year 3 visited the Lunt Roman Fort and took part in a battle enactment. The children were noted for their enthusiasm, impeccable behaviour and knowledge. Well done year 3. If you are a year 3 family you may consider visiting the site at Easter when they are holding a Circus Maximus! Event. More information on their website: [Events & Festivals — Lunt Roman Fort](#)

We thank you for your ongoing support in making these positive experiences happen. For all of our families who celebrated over the past two days we wish you an Eid mubarak. Year 5 are looking forward to enjoying time with family and friends to celebrate Eid in school this week.

Miss Sharma



**REMINDER:**

We are a NUT FREE school.

Please do not send nuts into school, we have a number of pupils who have severe allergies to nuts.

This also includes chocolate spread on sandwiches at lunchtimes. Almost all chocolate spreads contain nuts.

Thank you for your co-operation.



### Leave of Absence in Termtime

If you are applying for a leave of absence for your child during termtime, please complete a leave of absence form – available from the foyer outside of the office.

Please send in any relevant evidence to support any exceptional circumstances at the time of completing the form. If there is no supporting evidence, leave will not be authorised.

Thank you for your co-operation.

### Homework showcase

We look forward to seeing your projects in school. Reception to Year 6 pupils are included in the showcase.

The details for the homework can be found on our website in

‘What my child will learn’ - Curriculum Overviews & Homework - then select your child’s year group .

There are overviews that cover the school year and those that are updated at the start of each new term.

Parents are invited to attend the afternoon of the showcase—see diary on front page.



**Milk for Summer Term - all pupils Reception to Y6** - this can now be ordered on your schoolcomms app. Cost of milk for the term is £12.00

If your child is in receipt of free school meals there will be no charge, but still please order your child’s milk. Please order/ pay by Thursday 10th April.



### Afterschool Activity Clubs for Summer Term

Listed are the afterschool activity clubs for the Summer Term. These will be released for booking next week, we will send a text message when they go live on Schoolcomms. Clubs will commence week beginning Monday 28th April.

Please only book **one** club per child; if you wish to book a second club please use the ‘reservation booking’ for that club. There is no charge for these clubs. Collection for all school activity clubs is 3:45pm. If you select a club for your child and they do not attend for 2 weeks, their place will be offered to children on the waiting list for that club.

These clubs run each week with the final sessions being held week commencing 30th June. There will be no clubs week commencing 2nd June and week commencing 9th June. Please make a note of these dates.



Summer Activity Clubs

Years	Club	Staff	Day
Y1 & Y2	Storybook Club	Miss Johnson	Monday
Y1 & Y2	Music Club	Mrs Stefanyszyn	Wednesday
Y1 & Y2	Multiskills	Mr Pinnock	Wednesday
Y3 & Y4	Rounders	Mr Pinnock	Monday
Y3 & Y4	Board Games	Mrs Geraghty	Wednesday
Y3 & Y4	Cricket	Mr Hunt	Thursday
Y5 & Y6	Netball	Mrs Brookes	Wednesday
Y5 & Y6	Art & Crafts	Miss Ellis	Wednesday
Y5 & Y6	Violin	Mrs Bellenger	Wednesday
Y5 & Y6	Athletics	Mr Pinnock	Thursday



## Parking Outside School

We have had complaints from our neighbours regarding parking outside the school gates. Could we please remind all parents to follow the parking restrictions that are in place. Please help us to keep your children and yourselves safe.

We have the following advice from City of Wolverhampton Council:

Parents who choose to take their children to and from school, by car, must obey the parking restrictions in place.

**Remember the parking restrictions found around schools are there to protect the safety of all children, including your own.**

## School Keep Clear Markings



No stopping, (even if picking up or dropping off children).

You will often see yellow school keep clear markings outside schools across the city.

You must not stop here for any reason during the hours shown on the accompanying signs.

**Disabled Parking Permits:** Blue badge holders are not permitted to park on restrictions where loading bans are present.

## Enforcement

Our Enforcement Officers can take action against anyone breaking any parking restrictions

The Police are responsible for the enforcement of some highway obstruction laws. When cars regularly block driveways, residents should call the non-emergency police number 101.

### Menu Changes

**Tuesday 8th April**

### **Easter**

Normal main menu for this day with the following desserts

Chocolate Nests **V, VE**

or

Iced Easter Biscuits **V, VE**



### **St George's Day Menu**

**Wednesday 30th April**

Full English Breakfast - Bacon, Mini Sausage, Egg, Beans/ Tomatoes, Hash Brown, Mushrooms. Brown & Red Sauce

or

Veggie English Breakfast - Veg Sausage, Egg, Baked Beans/ Tomatoes, Hash Brown, Mushrooms Brown & Red Sauce

Apple Pie & Custard



# Notices

We will post any information that we receive from outside agencies here.

## Twycross Zoo

We have been sent vouchers from Twycross Zoo for 25% off tickets for Easter.

Please collect from the school office.



# Bikeability

Fantastic 1 or 2 day courses for 6-16 year olds during the school holidays

A large white silhouette of a bicycle on a dark purple background. In the bottom left corner, there are three overlapping circular icons labeled '1 bikeability', '2 bikeability', and '3 bikeability'. In the bottom right corner, there is a QR code with the text 'scan me for course & booking information' next to it. Below the QR code, the text 'Bikes can be provided' is written in white, and 'APPLY NOW!' is written in large, bold, white and yellow letters.

### Tax-Free Childcare

If you are a family who currently use WoodE's breakfast/after school club, or would like to use the facility, then you may be interested in the following information. Wood End Primary School is signed up for the Tax-Free Childcare scheme which is open to all parents of children under 12 (or under 17 if disabled) to help with the cost of childcare.

You can get up to £500 every 3 months (up to £2,000 a year) for each of your children to help with the costs of childcare. This goes up to £1,000 every 3 months if a child is disabled (up to £4,000 a year).

If you've already registered, you can [sign in to your childcare account](#).

If you get Tax-Free Childcare, you'll set up an online childcare account for your child. For every £8 you pay into this account, the government will pay in £2 to use to pay your provider.

You can get Tax-Free Childcare at the same time as 15 or 30 hours free childcare if you're eligible for both.

You can use it to pay for [approved childcare](#), for example:

- childminders, nurseries and nannies
- after school clubs and play schemes



Please see below link for more information: <https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare>

If you would like to apply, you must open a Tax-Free Childcare account online. If you want to find out what help you might be entitled to try the government's childcare calculator.

Please see below link for more information: <https://www.gov.uk/get-tax-free-childcare>

# Is my child too ill for school?

**It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school, nursery or playgroup when they're unwell.**

There are government guidelines for schools and nurseries about [managing specific infectious diseases at GOV.UK](#). These say when children should be kept off school and when they shouldn't.

If you do keep your child at home, it's important to phone the school or nursery on the first day. Let them know that your child won't be in and give them the reason.

If your child is well enough to go to school but has an infection that could be passed on, such as a cold sore or head lice, let their teacher know.

## Other illnesses

Follow this advice for other illnesses:

### Coughs and colds

It's fine to send your child to school with a minor [cough](#) or [common cold](#). But if they have a fever, keep them off school until the fever goes.

Encourage your child to throw away any used tissues and to wash their hands regularly.

### High temperature

If your child has a [high temperature](#), keep them off school until it goes away.

### Chickenpox

If your child has [chickenpox](#), keep them off school until all the spots have crusted over.

This is usually about 5 days after the spots first appeared.

### Cold sores

There's no need to keep your child off school if they have a [cold sore](#).

Encourage them not to touch the blister or kiss anyone while they have the cold sore, or to share things like cups and towels.

### Absence Reporting

Please notify school on the first day of absence by 8:45 or as soon as practically possible. Do this by calling the school office, leaving an answerphone message or email if necessary.

As per our attendance policy for September 2023, we now request that parents contact school on each day of the child's absence.

If school does not receive any notification of a child's absence, Mrs Farley will call parents to ascertain the reason for the absence.