

Autumn 5 21st November 2022

Thursday 24.11.22	Flu Nasal Immunisations - Reception to Year 6 pupils
Thursday 24.11.22	Choir singing at Wednesfield Light Switch-on
Thursday 24.11.22	Netball Match at St Stephens
Monday 05.12.22	Christmas Day in school - see below
Tuesday 06.12.22	Reception Nativity
Wednesday 07.12.22	Reception Nativity
Thursday 08.12.22	Homework Showcase
Thursday 15.12.22	Christmas Parties - more information to follow
Friday 16.12.22	Break-up for Christmas
Tuesday 03.01.23	Return to school
Friday 17.02.23	Break-up for half-term
Monday 27.02.23	Return to school
May 2023	Statutory KS1 SATs
Week beginning 08.05.23	Statutory KS2 SATs
Week beginning 05.06.23	Y4 Statutory Multiplication checks
Week beginning 12.06.23	KS1 Phonics checks

Dear Parents,


After more than 2 years ... the Wood End football team is back! The team is made up of boys and girls from years 4, 5 and 6. We are really pleased that we won with a score of 5–2 in our very first match against St Mary’s RC School. Team coach Mr Pinnock was very proud of how well they played as a team. Especially considering it was their first match together and for some, their first time competing as a team.

Wood End is now also growing a netball team. With a match scheduled soon, we look forward to hearing of their experience.

This year children from years 1 to 6 have extra opportunities at lunchtime to enjoy sports and learn new skills. They are currently being offered the chance to take part in activities including golf and basketball. They have already taken part in multiskills, archery and netball.

Thank you to all families who supported the works of Children in Need by dressing up. An incredible congratulations to all those who used their imagination and created DIY spots.

One of our school priorities this year is improving children’s rapid recall of maths facts. For all those families who are practising with and challenging children—thank you, we really appreciate the support. If you are unsure about how to help, please use the ideas on the website or send us an email.

Miss Sharma 

Afterschool Activity Clubs

There will be no afterschool activity clubs week commencing **28th November**. They will held for the final time before the Christmas break, **week commencing 5th December**.

During this final week, we would like to invite the parents of the children involved in these clubs to come into school at 3:30pm to join their child in the clubs they are attending.

Monday 5th December

Netball and Forest Club (bring your wellies)



Thursday 8th December

Dance, Art Club and Choir

Wednesday 7th December

Games Club, Press Pack and Athletics



Friday 9th December

Eco Club (bring your wellies)



Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Choir of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton are on the lookout for boys (aged 7+) and girls (aged 8+) who enjoy singing, making new friends, and most of all, having fun!

Below are some further details about the benefits of being a chorister at St Peter's, in addition to what to do next if your child is interested in joining.

Cost

To sing regularly in the choir is **completely free!**

Training

The children receive an excellent musical education by trained professionals. We follow the Royal School of Church Music's (RSCM) 'Voice for Life' scheme, which allows choristers to develop through training, earning different coloured medals to wear over their robes. We also teach them music theory, following the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music (ABRSM) syllabus.

Skills gained

There are many useful skills gained as a chorister, these include:

- Confidence
- Teamwork
- Concentration and focus
- Discipline
- Listening

Trips and social activities

The choirs enjoy regular visits to British Cathedrals during the year. Most notably is their week-long residency during the summer holidays, which has recently taken them to places such as Winchester, York, Wells and Canterbury. Next summer, we will spend a week in Lincoln singing the services at the Cathedral. We also have a trip to Gloucester Cathedral planned for October 2022.

During this week away, as well as singing, the choir enjoy days out and activities such as swimming at the beach, treasure hunts, rounders games and visits to local attractions. No child is prevented from going on trips for financial reasons and subsidised places are available.

Through the year we organise social events for the choristers, such as pancake day, the Christmas party, quiz night and trips out such as bowling and the zoo.

What to do next...

If your child is interested in joining the choir, then please contact our Director of Music at wolvercentralparish@hotmail.co.uk, or call the office on 01902 422 642.

All the very best,

Callum Alger

Director of Music



Flu Nasal Immunisations - 24th November 2022

The flu vaccine consent has now moved to an online consent form.

Please follow the link below to provide your consent for your child to receive their vaccination. This form **MUST** be completed even if you do not wish your child to receive their vaccination.

[Vaccination UK Immunisation \(schoolvaccination.uk\)](https://www.schoolvaccination.uk)



Further information on adults and children's vaccines can be found on www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/flufighters

**Christmas Day at Wood End
Monday 5th December**

Pupils will be able to wear their Christmas jumper on this day for a £1.00 donation to charity. Please pay using your Pay360 account online in the Events section.

Normal school trousers, skirts and shoes should also be worn.

Christmas dinner - to ensure that the kitchen orders sufficient supplies, please order your child's Christmas meal before **Wednesday 23rd**

November. Please order online using your Pay360 account in the Events section. The cost is £2.20 per meal, please pay using the school meals tab. If your child receives free school meals, please also order your child's meal online before this date.

The children will be doing Christmas activities on this day, including... making cards, calendars and decorations.



Wednesfield Christmas Light Switch-on

Thursday 24th November

Our choir will be singing at the light switch-on next Thursday on Wednesfield High Street. There will be lots to see and do.

For more information about the city's Christmas events see:

[Countdown to Christmas Lights switch ons! | City Of Wolverhampton Council](#)

School Admissions Consultation

Proposed school admission arrangements for 2024-25. As the LA are the Admission Authority it is their statutory duty to consult with schools, governors, parents of children and other stakeholders. If you would like to complete the online survey, please follow the link.

[School admissions consultation documents | City Of Wolverhampton Council](#)

Nail Varnish - Could we remind all parents that nail varnish should not be worn to school. The School Prospectus states 'make up and nail varnish must not be worn in school. If worn, nail varnish will be removed by a member of school staff.'

Press Pack – 16th November

Nursery

Mrs Nicholls and Mrs Howells reported what they have been doing recently. First, they have been learning about what nocturnal means and different nocturnal animals. They have also been reading the story baby owl and wow said the owl. They have been learning Makaton which is a type of sign language. The words they have been learning are please, thank you, happy, sad, yes and no. On Thursday's they go into the woods and on Friday it is crafts day.



Reception

Last week, Mrs Stott reported a general update on what has been going on in Reception. At the start of the week, they have been thinking about how to create fireworks. The teachers also asked them what they already knew about bonfire night. The home corner was also set up like bonfire night. They have been learning their letters and sounds. Lastly, they have been making art from natural resources which is called transient art.

Emily and Jessica (Y5)

Year 1

Last week, we interviewed Miss Johnson and she informed us about what Year 1 have been up to.

They have been going to swimming lessons for over half a term now and they have been making improvements. The swimming coaches have said they are very impressed and some children even go swimming in their own time to develop these important skills.



During DT, Year 1 are focusing on different types of houses. Such as: bungalows, flats, semi-detached, detached and so on. They are creating their own houses from boxes with different features in.

Year 2

In Art, Year 2 have been looking at self-portraits. They have been focussing on shapes, colour and have even sculpted their faces using clay and different tools.

During Computing lessons they have been looking at IT, how to use it and what it is. They have also been using Scratch Junior to use algorithms to make a mini movie.



Millie and Olivia (Y6)



Year 3

Last week Year 3 went on a class visit to Edmond Hall. This is an outdoor learning centre. It was raining all day and whenever the sun appeared it started raining again. The links they will make is in History when they look at the Stone age and they are also doing a writing recount linked to the stone age. While they were there, they learnt how to make fire and build a shelter. They all had a great time.

Year 4

Last week Year 4 delivered a Remembrance Assembly to the rest of the school. Mrs Bellenger told us that since she was off they only had two days to prepare for it. At home, a lot of them found the video and practiced the signs. The children were relieved when they finished and before they started Mrs Bellenger reported that they were ready but nervous. They did really well! The pieces of art behind them they made during the week which looked lovely. They enjoyed the singing and signing while the orchestra enjoyed being the orchestra.



Mollie and Eva (Y5)

Year 5

Last week I interviewed Y5 on a particular subject. Vocabulary tables.

A few weeks ago, Mrs Brookes introduced vocabulary tables to Year 5. She said "I am very much benefiting from this, ever since we first tried it". Vocabulary tables are children (on their tables, as a group) which are based on a subject, read flash cards which have definitions to challenging words. There is a history, Maths, Science, Writing skills, writing vocab and there is no geography since they haven't started.

This will help them understand all of the technical vocabulary more clearly and the children are enjoying challenging each other.

Alina (Y6)

Year 6

Year six went to the Bewdley museum to learn all about the World War 1 & 2. They experienced an air raid alarm that was extremely loud and also experienced being in an actual air raid shelter. They looked at artefacts such as clothes and gas masks that they had to wear. Fun fact ; children had to wear gas masks everywhere and if they didn't they would get into a lot of trouble! The teachers from the museum said they were a wonderful class, and a credit to the school. Mrs Gough reported that they behaved extremely well and on the way back, they had a little sing-song!

Eme and Amelie (Y5)

