WEEK 8



THE FAMILY NEWS

POOL HAYES PRIMARY SCHOOL

Inspire, Challenge, Learn

Dear Families,

Welcome to this week's edition of the Family News.

As ever, I have had an enormous amount of pride and pleasure walking around school during learning time and social times. Our children are keen to learn and this shows in their lessons. Mr Carter and I have been into every staff member's lessons over the past half term and it is wonderful to see the children throwing themselves into activities whether they are learning how to use a number line in Year 1 or blend watercolours in Year 6.

Mrs. Snape and I have the pleasure of working with the Rotary Club again to set up a mini version in school. We've had Rotakids here before doing some excellent work to raise money for charity.

Our current Rotakids are Year 5 children. They had the opportunity to apply for a range of roles and be voted for by their peers. The vote has taken place and the results are in!

Rotakids President: Alice Rotakids Vice President: Poppy Rotakids Treasurer: Ria Rotakids Secretary: Cienna

Congratulations to you all! Jim (our link Rotary Club member) was so impressed with the children's speeches and commitment.

Walsall's mobile library visited us this week. Years 1 and 2 were very excited to go on and choose books. It was also a bit of a relief for some of them who were concerned the bus was going to take them on a trip! Next week Years 3 and 4 will go on with Years 5 and 6 the week after. The library staff did a great job of getting everyone through and giving them an opportunity to choose from a new selection of books.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Kind Regards,

Mrs. Kelly Vaughan

Attendance for This Week

> Whole School Attendance

> > 95.9%

National School Attendance

94.9%

We want our attendance total to be over 96% by the end of the year.

Help us by ensuring your child comes to school as long as they are well enough to attend.



Our wonderful Rotakids!

Salus populi suprema lex – "The welfare of the people is the highest law"

Stars of The Week Rainbow Writer

Our Stars of The Week are as follows;

<u>Nursery</u> Ezra Fisher For singing so enthusiastically

> Reception ronnie Harrison For helping her friends

<u>Year 1</u> <u>Khushi Badhan</u> For her amazing addition skills

Year 2 Nancee Southall For a great attitude to learning

<u>Year 3</u> <u>Seth Footman</u> For trying his hardest in every lesson

Year 4 <u>Theo Ensor-Yeomans</u> For his fkindness and respect of all staff and peers

Year 5 Leah Jukes For her excellent contributions during science

> <u>Year 6</u> <u>Theo Falconer</u> For superb attention to detail in art

<u>Lunchtime</u> <u>Stars Of The Week</u>

ReceptionIsla CraigFor being a little superstarYear 1Ava FosterFor being kind, polite and helpfulYear 2Samitha AlankumarFor being very polite and well-behaved

<u>Year 3</u>

<u>Alice Evans</u> For always following the Golden Rules <u>Year 4</u> <u>Kevin Stoian</u> For having lovely manners

Year 5 Lexi Pallas For always being well-behaved

Year 6 Matthew Salmon-McCombs For being kind and helpful Our Rainbow Writers for this week are as follows;

> <u>Nursery</u> <u>Liv Pugh</u> For writing cards to her family

Reception Madison Craft For s labelling different parts of an oak tree

> Year 1 Mia Channa For her super sentences in phonics

<u>Year 2</u> <u>Romero Lindsay</u> For a super independent diary entry

Year 3 Oscar Fearon For working hard to use prepositions in his writing

> Year 4 Eliza Hunt For fabulous editing skills in English Year 5 William Bryan For writing an engaging informal letter

Year 6 Bella Joyce For thoughtful writing in character



Sukhman Singh

For being a superb role model to all PHP pupils





Our P.E Stars of The Week are as follows;

<u>Nursery</u> <u>Aishmeet Kaur</u> For joining in with dancing

Reception Varshini Alankumar For her wonderful answers and PE attitude Jax Arnold For being a good role model Year 1 Lana Turner For her brilliant throwing and catching skills Emelia Edwards For great teamwork Nancee Southall Matilda Haynes For her great attitude and helpfulness Year 3 Gracie-Leigh Waddington For her enthusiastic attitude <u>Seth Footman</u> For being ready to learn <u>Year 4</u> Noah Fisher For brilliant efforts **Bobby Joyce** For great perseverance Year 5 **Henry Perry** For great use of pace and stamina <u>William Bryan</u> For always being on task and ready to learn <u>Year 6</u> Hargun Brar For her effort and courage when trying new things Billy Hunter-Smith For his perseverance



<u> FT Rockstars</u>

Our Maths Stars of The Week are as follows;

Year 2 Lily Wilkinson Great times table work at home

Year 4 <u>Himmat Batt</u> For trying hard to improve his times tables

> Year 5 Daniel Lowe For his studio checks - keep it up!

> > <u>Year 6</u> <u>Sukhman Singh</u> For exceptional progress

Diary Dates

31st Oct - Children return to school 14th Nov - Odd Socks day for Anti-Bullying Week (socks can be unusual or not matching) 18th Nov - Children in Need (non-uniform)

1st Dec - Christmas Lunch Day (non-uniform)
7th Dec - KS1 Christmas Performance 2pm and
5pm (tbc)
8th Dec - EYFS Christmas Performance 9:30 (tbc)
14th Dec - Christmas Fayre
16th Dec - Children break up for Christmas holiday - (non-uniform)

<u>Absences</u>

Please report your child's absence to school using Professor Attendance on Class Dojo or contacting the office. You can use Class Dojo or the school absence line.





We are an official Class Dojo school!

Look out for the latest news on Class Dojo. Contact Mrs Vaughan with any out of school achievements you want to share with the PHP family. Please include any photos and let us know whether you want us to anonymise the pictures or to publish them as they are. We love sharing and celebrating your children's achievements with everyone.

<u>Early Help</u>

Things can get a bit much for most people at times. Have a look at some of the support on offer through Walsall Council for children, young people and families who may be struggling for one reason or another. If you feel we can help you, please contact Mrs. Davis for more information, given confidentially.

https://go.walsall.gov.uk/children_and_young_people/early_help

PHP Menu

Remember to check our termly menu to choose a daily meal. There are lots of healthy options each day. Scan this QR code to download a copy.



Any child in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 is entitled to a free school meal. In Years 3, 4, 5 and 6, if your child is entitled to a free school meal they can also have one at no cost. Paid meals cost £2.15.



<u>Contact Details</u>

Please contact the office with new contact details if you have a change of address, phone number or email address. This is a legal requirement.

Samples of This Week's Work

The children have been inspired, challenged and have been learning!



Nursery have been busy making chocolate sparklers using breadsticks, melted chocolate and sprinkles. Their favourite part was eating them. It looks like hard work so I don't blame them for trying out the results!



In Reception, they have been learning about the life cycle of an acorn. They have enjoyed painting oak trees.





In Science this week Year 1 went on a walk to identify signs of Autumn. The children were brilliant at finding signs such as colourful leaves, blackberries and mushrooms. Here are Jaxon, Vladislav and Luca's drawing of the features they spotted on our walk.

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Year 2 have been looking at Guy Fawkes and the Gunpowder plot this week. They each created a diary entry as Guy Fawkes. Here are Romero's and Kyron's diary entries.



Year 3 are studying the Stone Age and created their own cave painting inspired paintings. Aren't they marvellous? So good, they're already on display.

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In Year 4, the children have been writing diary entries and then editing their work. Here is Eliza's hard work with her edits written in red pen.

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In Year 5 the children have been writing letters as a character from their current book, Wonder by R.J. Palacio. Here are some great examples to share from Bailey, Saad and William.



Year 6 continue to impress me with their art skills. They've looked at some work by Antony Gormley and have used it as inspiration for their own pieces. Here are some of their starting point designs based on the figurative form.



Congratulations to last year's Y6 pupils for reaching the national final of the Peter Jones Foundation Young Tycoon competition. This took place at the Tobacco Dock in London.



The children met Levi Roots of Reggae Reggae Sauce fame. They had to pitch to him and explain their project to him. Later on, he gave an inspirational talk about his journey to success.

The children were particularly inspired by Luke Vernon of TikTok and Disney fame. He shared his story of growing up in Birmingham and the losses and lessons in his life that have driven him to success.





The children won the first ever People's Choice Award - voted by the other entrants and investors in the competition. They came second in their category, beating hundreds of other schools, with their Kids Camp project. Well done! We're so proud of you.

Out of School Superstars!



A huge well done to Eadee for captaining her all boys team. Not only did they win both matches but she was selected as the manager's player. Perhaps a future professional is in our midst?

Well done to Liam for achieving Man of the Match and scoring a cracking goal. It sounds very impressive, Liam. Well done!





A huge well done to Cody for passing his grading and achieving his orange belt. Fantastic progress!

Over half term, the MP for Walsall North, Eddie Hughes, invited Alice to the Houses of Parliament. Here she is with him and with Theresa May. This was a great opportunity to learn more about democracy and government. What a fantastic experience!

