



Newsletter

Autumn Term

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Dear Parents/Carers

We have come to the end of another really busy half term.

Kingfishers class proudly shared their learning in our assembly this week, about the explorer Ernest Shackleton and some events from his expedition that have made history. The children spoke confidently and showed their boats that they had designed to withstand different weather conditions. Well done!

It was a pleasure to have so many children at my Postcard Picnic this morning—we all enjoyed cake, biscuits and snacks in the hall. What a lovely treat for the end of term.

I hope you all have a restful half term and look forward to seeing you back at school on Monday 29th October when the gates open at 8.45am.

Karen Headland
Headteacher

Diary Dates

19th October—Last day of school before half term break

29th October—Back to school for all pupils following half term break

1st November—After school sports club starts until 4.30pm

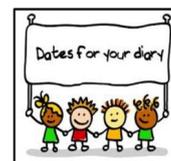
5th November—Homework club after school until 4.15pm

5th November—Children will be selling poppies this week

6th November—Dance club starts after school until 4.30pm (Letter to follow)

8th November—Sports club starts after school today until 4.30pm

13th November—Flu nasal spray for those that consented only in years R-5



Attendance

Well done to Owls this week with 100%. Attendance target for the whole school is 98%. The school's attendance is currently 97.5%



Important information

Please note if your child has a head bump in school instead of ringing you like we have done previously we will send a text message via Parentmail, this message will go to all people with parental responsibility. We will only call you directly if your child is unwell or if it is an emergency. Many thanks.



Poppy Appeal

After the half term during w/c 5th November the children will be going around the classrooms selling poppies to raise funds for The Royal British Legion. There will also be available for a suggested donation of 50p-£1.00 rulers, pencils, rubbers, sharpeners and snap bands. Many thanks for your support.



Prebend Street

We have received an email from Prebend Centre:

We are hugely grateful to everyone at the school for the wonderful donation of Harvest items. All of the items that were donated have either gone directly to our homeless service users who make up emergency food packs or are being used in our kitchen by our cook to prepare home cooked lunches. Many thanks for your support.



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Term dates.

Can we remind you of the following dates:

Friday 19th October—Last day of school before half term break

Monday 29th October—First day back to school following half term break

Wednesday 19th December— Last day of school term

Thursday 3rd January—First day back to school for all pupils



School uniform

You can now order uniform from Tesco please visit [tesco.com/ues](https://www.tesco.com/ues) to place your order. Just to remind you that the preschool uniform is burgundy and the school uniform is navy jumper/ cardigan, grey trouser/skirt with white polo shirts. Thank you.



Scarecrow competition

Kestrels class have built an amazing scarecrow during lunchtimes which is now on display at Frosts Garden Centre at Willington for this weekend only. Each customer that purchases something from Frosts will be given one vote, there will be a voting box in the garden centre and only votes placed in the box will be counted. The winner will be determined by the highest number of customer votes. The winning school will receive daffodil bulbs and fruit trees. Well done Kestrels class!



Postcard picnic

Well done to : Chloe, Jamie, Jessica, Isaac, Mason, Morgan T, Kassius, Ellie, Hania, Alex M, Grace, Ethan, Elizabeth, Rosie W, Elim, Imogen, Lauren, Aiden, Rose, Mateusz, Matylda, Evelyn, Alex P, Gabriel, Jake, Sara, Archie, Korian, Chloe M.

These children have received a postcard in the post and have shared a picnic with Mrs Headland.



Cool Milk

Our school milk scheme is administered by Cool Milk. To register your child for school milk, please visit <https://www.coolmilk.com/register>.

Please note all children under 5 have access to free milk in school, if you had completed the consent form in your child's application pack . If you would like to order and pay for milk if your child is over 5 please follow the above link. Thank you.



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