



Dates for your diary

Tuesday 12th March - Staff Vs Parent Netball Match [Comic Relief]

Friday 15th March - Comic Relief [Non Uniform]

Wednesday 20th March - Easter Bonnet Parade for Years 1 & 2 - **9.00am**

Thursday 21st March - World Poetry Day [Y4 Workshop]

Friday 22nd March - ASPIRE - **9.00 AM**

Friday 22nd March - Reception & Older Nursery Easter Bonnet Parade - **2.30 PM** (Please note change of time)



UKS2 (Y5 - Y6) Movie Night

Thursday 21st March 2024

£3 Per Child

Price includes: Movie, Slice of Pizza, Small Packet of Sweets & Cup Juice

Movie starts at 15:00

Collection from 16:40



With how well previous movie nights have gone, we would like to invite Years 5 & 6 to a movie night of their own. The arrangement will be the same as for the previous movie nights and, due to popular demand and not wanting to miss out, the movie being screened will again be:



Please secure your child's place through



Comic Relief - Non Uniform Day

This year to support Comic Relief we are inviting the children to take part in non-uniform day on Friday 15th March. Children are welcome to wear anything red and of course we would love to see red noses too!

We are asking for a donation for non-uniform through Parent Pay, who will collect and donate to the Comic Relief charity on our behalf.

**To donate please use the link below which will take you directly to the donations page:
(DO NOT LOG ONTO PARENT PAY IN THE USUAL WAY – TO DONATE YOU WILL NEED TO FOLLOW THE LINK).**

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=14561>

We look forward to seeing you all in non-uniform and lots of red!

NETBALL MATCH – STAFF V'S PARENTS – TUESDAY 12TH MARCH. AFTER SCHOOL

Parents we need you! As part our good relationship within our school community, we would love to hold a friendly Netball match between staff and parents. If you would like to take part in this, please let Miss Francis know, so your name can be added to the list.

Year 4- Blists Hill Trip



On Wednesday 6th March, Year 4 went on their trip to Blists Hill Victorian Village. Whilst there, they got to experience what a school day could be like, how Victorian children lived, the clothes they wore and how the industrial revolution changed Britain.

Although some were nervous to meet Miss McCallum, they all expressed how much they enjoyed that experience.



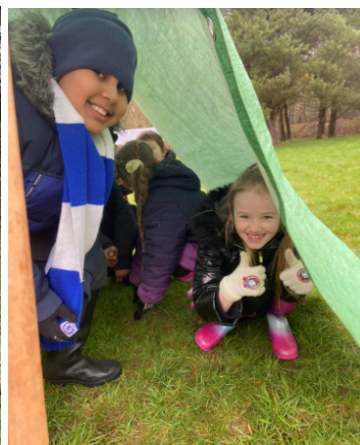
KS1 Mother's Day Event

Year 1 and Year 2 had a wonderful mother's day celebration on Wednesday morning. The classes had prepared a song and they shared some reasons why they all love their mom's and nan's and carers! They then enjoyed cakes and sweets together. We also completed some mother's day colouring, word searches and poems. Thank you for being part of our celebrations. It was a wonderful morning.



Year 3 Trip

Year 3 had an excellent day out this week at Bishop's Wood. We spent the whole day pretending we had been teleported back to the Roman era. We made our own Roman tents to shelter from the weather, we built our own Roman roads using a groma, we learnt some latin that the Romans used whilst marching and finally we put on a performance of famous Roman stories and myths for the Emperor.



Walsall Wrap Around Parent & Provider Survey



Walsall Council feels it is important that they gain as much feedback from parents as possible from this survey as part of their commitment to the DfE for the expansion of wraparound provision. They will use responses to forecast parents' needs and demands.

The government have stipulated that wraparound childcare must be available for every parent who needs to access it from September 2026 with parents being able to see expansion of provisions from September 2024.

The final deadline for any responses will be Wednesday 13th March 2024.

Parent Meetings

Talking to your child's teacher is the best way to know how well your child is doing in class. It gives you the opportunity to discuss any concerns you have or to explore ways you could support further at home so it is essential you:

Don't forget
parents
evening!

Get your slot booked in!

Weekly Fitness Challenge!

Each week we will be setting a physical fitness challenge! Remember exercise is good for both your physical and mental health.

This week's challenge if you choose to accept it ... air balloon challenge!

Can you keep the balloon up in the air for 60 seconds?

You start with ten lives. If the balloon touches the floor you lose a life. The more lives you lose the lower your score.



Achieve Gold

Lose 0 lives



Achieve Silver

Lose 1 life



Achieve Bronze

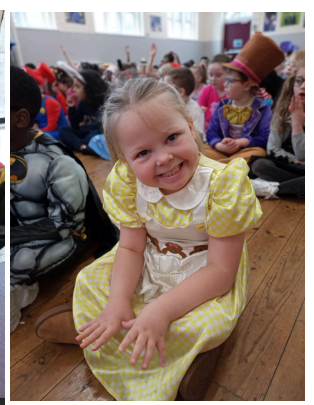
Lose 2 lives



Drop Mrs Drop Mrs McCutcheon (Y1) a message via dojo to let her know how your child got on with this week's challenge.

World Book Day

On Thursday March 7th, we celebrated World Book Day! Children across the school took part in a lot of exciting activities to promote a love of Reading. We started the day with a fantastic assembly where we looked at all of the amazing costumes children had arrived in. We also took part in a quiz to guess some well known characters using clues. Children really enjoyed joining up with other year groups to share books with each other. It was lovely to see so many characters around school - we had an amazing day. Thank you for your support.



Measles



Walsall Council

Adult Social Care, Public Health & Hub

Date: 07 March 2024
Ref: NI/borkk
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Dear parents/guardians,

Re: Measles – Walsall situation

We are writing to update parents/guardians on the current local Measles situation. We are continuing to work closely with the UKHSA West Midlands Health Protection Team, the Black Country Integrated Care Board and wider partners to increase the uptake of MMR vaccinations. Whilst we still have a small number of cases of measles in Walsall, it is recognised to spread very easily.

Measles can be a serious disease, which can result in hospitalisation. It can spread very quickly in communities where people have not had their MMR (measles, mumps and rubella) vaccinations, and particularly in settings such as nurseries, schools or healthcare services.

People in certain at-risk groups, including babies and small children, pregnant women, and people with weakened immunity, are at increased risk of serious illness if they catch measles. In a small number of cases, it can also lead to permanent disability including blindness, deafness, and damage to the brain. Anyone, of any age, who has missed their MMR vaccines can get measles.

The first signs of measles are:

- High temperature (fever)
- Cold-like symptoms such as runny or blocked nose, coughing, sneezing
- Red, sore, watery eyes
- A non-itchy, blotchy red brown rash. This usually appears a few days after cold-like symptoms (sometimes starts around the ears before spreading to the rest of the body). The rash can be harder to see on darker skin tones.
- Small white spots appearing inside the cheeks and on the back of lips (for a few days)

A measles case is infectious for four days before any rash appears and for at least four days after the start of the rash.

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Anyone with measles symptoms is advised to stay at home and phone their GP practice or NHS 111 for advice.

Important: how to protect you and your family

Now is the time to check if you and your family have had **2 doses of the MMR vaccine**.

- Vaccination is the best protection against measles, and you need **TWO doses of MMR** for maximum protection against measles. It also provides protection against mumps and rubella.
- If you are not sure if you/your child/any family member needs an MMR vaccine, check their Red Book or contact your GP practice to check and/or book a vaccination. **The MMR vaccine is safe, effective and free.**
- If you/your family have **not had 2 doses of the MMR vaccine**, you should **contact your GP to arrange vaccination as soon as possible.**
- For people who do not touch any pork products, **there is a version of the MMR vaccine, Priorix, which has no pork ingredients.** You can request Priorix from your GP.

The MMR vaccine is given as part of the routine childhood immunisation programme:

- **1st dose** should be given just after the child's first birthday.
- **2nd dose** at 3 years 4 months and certainly before children start school full time.

However, **you can have the MMR vaccine at any age.**

The following local GP practices are offering MMR clinics for individuals who were born after 1970 and have not received both doses of the MMR vaccine:

- **Pinfold Health Centre, Bloxwich, WS3 3JP** open from 1.00pm to 4.30pm on Sat 9th March.
- **Broadway Medical Centre, WS1 3HD** open from 10.00am to 1.00pm on Sat 9th March.

Available for pupils or parents who are registered with a participating Walsall-based GP practice.

Appointments should be booked by calling 01922 501 999.

- **Darlaston Family Practice, Darlaston Health centre, Pinfold St WS10 8SY** on Sat 9th March 9-1pm

Available for individuals registered with Kingfisher Berkley, New Invention Health Centre, Modality Darlaston, Stroud, Darlaston Health Centre, Pinfold St, Darlaston Family Practice.

Individuals can call their surgeries to book an appointment.

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Walsall Family Hubs

Walsall Family Hubs offer children, young people aged 0-19 and up to 25 for those young people with additional needs and their families can go to get advice and support when they need it, our Family Hubs are in the heart of local communities where services have come together providing one 'front door' access to get help and to talk to someone in a safe space about sensitive things that maybe worrying them. For more information about the hubs visit [Walsall Family Hubs](https://www.walsall.gov.uk/familyhubs) or email familyhubs@Walsall.gov.uk. To keep up to date with whats on follow [WalsallfamiliesintheKnow](https://www.facebook.com/WalsallfamiliesintheKnow) on Facebook