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**Be kind, be fair, be safe whilst learning together to be the best we can.**



Dear Parents / Carers

As we approach the end of the first half term of this school year, it is lovely to reflect on everything the children have achieved in school. Each year group leader has shared some of the highlights of the children's work over the course of this half term and I hope you enjoy reading all about the fantastic opportunities the children have been afforded in their learning. The recent class assemblies in two of our Year 2 classes also highlighted how hard the children have worked and how much they have enjoyed gaining new knowledge and developing new skills.

One area of our work in school this year is ensuring that we all work together to ensure that all children have good attendance and arrive at school on time. This is the most important thing we can do for our children as the first years at school are so important in securing the early building blocks of learning. Lots of odd days off can be detrimental to learning as children can quickly fall behind. Of course we understand that from time to time, children do become unwell and we wouldn't expect children in school if they were poorly. Guidance was sent out earlier this term to support you in making a judgement regarding whether a child is well enough to be in school or not. Please remember if you need any support with achieving good attendance we are always here to help.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has supported events in school this term whether that be attending the Macmillan coffee afternoon, sending donations in or supporting the PTA Friday treat sales.

Staff in school also deserve a huge thank you for their hard work and dedication in supporting children with all aspects of their development.

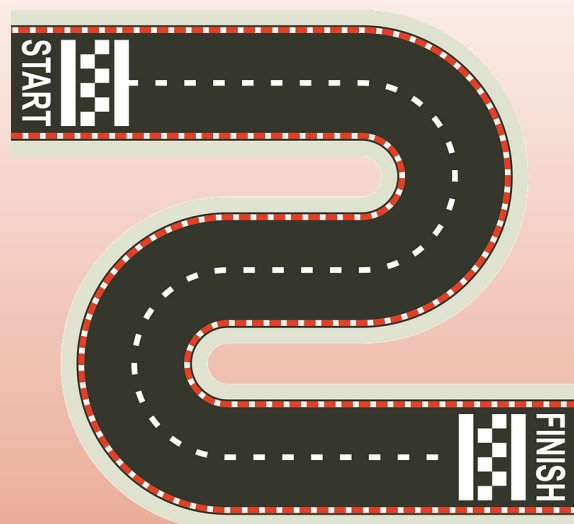
**I hope everyone has a lovely half term break and I look forward to welcoming everyone back in school on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November.**

Mrs Forshew  
Headteacher

# HALF TERM ATTENDANCE WINNER!

## BEST CLASS ATTENDANCE

Place	Class	Percentage
1st	<b>Squirrels</b>	<b>95.8%</b>
2nd	Owls	95.6%
3rd	Deers	95.4%
4th	Badges	95.3%
5th	Bumblebees	94.3%
6th	Foxes	94.1%
7th	Dragonflies	93.2%
8th	Rabbits	92.8%
9th	Hedgehogs	92.5%



## TOP ATTENDANCE WINNER - Squirrels 95.8%

Well done to Mrs Hancox/Mrs Varney's class for having the best attendance this half term, they have **WON** a Movie afternoon as a reward!! Enjoy!! And **WELL DONE!!**



## School Matters!



## Our Pupils of the Week!

A pupil from each class is chosen by a teacher each week as 'pupil of the week' for eg doing good work.

	13th October	20th October
Year 1	Effie F, Arlo B, Avery S, Connor M,	Amaly S, Reggie T, Payton B
Year 2	Nancy C, Charlotte A, Nancy W	Viththagi, Thomas B, Bailey-Rae A

## Our Stars of the Week!

**Congratulations to all the children who have been awarded with stars!**  
**Well Done**

### 20th October

100 Bailey S, Jay C, Eadie S, Arlo B



# Attendance

Our whole school attendance target for year 2023-2024 is 96%  
Whole School Attendance from 5th Sept — 27th Oct is 94.4%

Check our figures to see how we are doing!

Please report a child's absence from school by sending us a message on School Gateway app or telephone the school on 02476 392236 and press 1 to leave a message before 9.30 am.

School Year group doors open between 8.45 am and 8.55 am and children can go into school between these times for registration at 8.55 am. Please make sure your child is on time for school. If they arrive after 8.55 am they will need to come via the main school office entrance. Children arriving after this time will receive a late mark. Please help us to achieve our target!

## Week Ending 12th Oct

Dragonflies 97.1%	Bumblebees 96.3%	Hedgehogs 97.0%
Squirrels 93.3%	Owls 97.7%	Rabbits 93.3%
Foxes 94.3%	Badgers 99.3%	Deers 97.3%

## Week Ending 19th Oct

Dragonflies 84.3%	Bumblebees 94.1%	Hedgehogs 94.1%
Squirrels 95.0%	Owls 95.3%	Rabbits 92.3%
Foxes 90.0%	Badgers 94.7%	Deers 97.3%

## Week Ending 26th Oct

Dragonflies 86.8%	Bumblebees 94.4%	Hedgehogs 83.3%
Squirrels 92.7%	Owls 93.7%	Rabbits 87.7%
Foxes 95.3%	Badgers 88.0%	Deers 95.3%

Monty has/will be spending the week with the winning classrooms!



## Late Winners

Week Ending	Best Class
12th Oct	Bumblebees
19th Oct	Dragonflies
26th Oct	Dragonflies



Snow Flake has will be spending the week with the winning classrooms!



Be In SCHOOL  
Be On TIME

## **Important information**

### **Admissions into school for Reception in September 2024**

Parents will need to apply for a place at school for September 2024 if your child was born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020 (for a place in Reception).

The application process opens on **1 November 2023**.

**You must apply for a Reception place by 5pm on 15th January 2024.**

**Please apply at -**

**<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/homepage/421/applying-for-a-primary-school-place>**

**More information is available on the Warwickshire Admissions website including details of how to apply for a place. You will need to attach a copy of your proof of address eg current Council Tax Bill.**

**OR**

### **Year 2 transfer to Junior School in September 2024**

Parents of children in Year 2 will need to apply for a Junior School place.

The application process opens on **1st November 2023**.

**You must apply for their Junior place by 5pm on 15th January 2024.**

**Please apply at -**

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Please can we ask that for the children have a spare pair of pants and socks in their PE bag. Thank you.

*If you still wish to order your child's Tempest school photograph, you can still do so direct from them. Please see instructions on your proof photograph sheet.*



For parents of children starting school in September 2024.  
We will be holding another Open Day on Thursday 7th December 2023.

Please visit us between 9.15 am and 10.15 am.

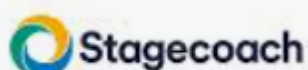
Please contact us on 02476 392236 to book.

## Friends of Nathaniel Newton (PTA) News

Friday 1st December - PTA Christmas Fayre 3 pm.

Wednesday 13th December - PTA Christmas Party 3 pm.

Details to follow after half term for these two events.



A big thank you to Damian and the team at Stagecoach in Nuneaton for providing our Reception children with a ride on a bus to Nuneaton bus station and back.

The children were very excited to ride on a real bus and enjoyed entertaining the driver with our singing - The Wheels on the Bus!



The designated Safeguarding leaders in this school are Mrs Forshaw, Mrs Taroni and Miss Carey. If you have any safeguarding concerns please contact them via the school office.



## Upcoming Events



More information will be sent out nearer the time of events.

- Friday 27th October - We break up for half term.  
Monday 6th November - Staff training day - school closed to children.  
Tuesday 7th November - Children return to school.
- Friday 17th November - Children in Need day.  
Monday 20th November - Open day for prospective families 9.15 to 10.15 am and 1.15 to 2.15 pm.  
Friday 1st December - PTA Christmas Fayre 3 pm.  
Tuesday 5th December - Pantomime in school.  
Tuesday 12th December - Year R Christmas Concert 1.45 pm.  
Wednesday 13th December - Year R Christmas Concert 9.15 am.  
Wednesday 13th December - PTA Christmas Party 3 pm. (DATE CHANGED)  
Thursday 14th December - Year 1 Christmas Concert 1.45 pm.  
Friday 15th December - Year 1 Christmas Concert 9.15 am.  
Monday 18th December - Year 2 Christmas Concert 1.45 pm.  
Tuesday 19th December - Year 2 Christmas Concert 9.15 pm.  
Wednesday 20th December - School Christmas Lunch.  
Wednesday 20th December - Year 2 Christmas Party 1 pm.  
Thursday 21st December - Year R Christmas Party 9 am.  
Thursday 21st December - Year 1 Christmas Party 1 pm.
- Friday 22nd December - We break up for Christmas holiday.  
Monday 8th January - Designated staff training day - school closed to children.  
Tuesday 9th January - Children return to school.

## School Lunch Menu

School lunch full menu is available on our website.



**Jacket Potato everyday choice of cheese and beans or tuna.**

Week 1 W/c Monday 20/11, 11/12, 15/01, 05/02, 26/02, 18/03.

	Red	Green	Brown	Blue
Mon	Chicken Biryani with Vegetables.	Cheese and Tomato Pizza.	Jacket Potato *	Cheese soft bap
Tue	Mince Beef Burrito.	Breaded Vegetable Fingers.	Jacket Potato *	Tuna Mayo soft bap
Wed	Roast Gamon.	Quorn Roast.	Jacket Potato *	Chicken soft bap
Thur	Chicken Burger in a bun.	Tomato Pasta Bake.	Jacket Potato *	Ham soft bap
Fri	Breaded Fish Fillet.	Vegetable Crumble.	Jacket Potato *	Egg Mayo soft bap

Week 2 W/c Monday 06/11, 27/11, 18/12, 22/01, 04/03.

	Red	Green	Brown	Blue
Mon	Pork Sausages	Cheese and Baked Bean Pasty.	Jacket Potato *	Cheese soft bap
Tue	Chicken Fillet Wrap	Plant Based Meat Balls.	Jacket Potato *	Chicken soft Bap
Wed	Roast Beef.	Quorn Roast	Jacket Potato *	Tuna Mayo soft bap
Thur	Chicken and-Country Vegetable Pie	Quorn Dippers	Jacket Potato *	Ham soft bap
Fri	Breaded fish fillet	Cheese and Tomato Pizza.	Jacket Potato *	Cheese soft bap.

Week 3 W/c Monday 13/11, 04/12, 08/01, 29/01, 19/02, 11/03.

	Red	Green	Brown	Blue
Mon	Veggie Sausages	Mac 'n' Cheese.	Jacket Potato *	Cheese soft bap
Tue	Beef Bolognaise.	Veggie Plant burger in bun.	Jacket Potato *	Tuna Mayo soft bap
Wed	Roast Chicken Fillet	Quorn Roast.	Jacket Potato *	Roast Chicken soft bap
Thurs	Gluten Free Pork Meatballs.	No Beef Taco.	Jacket Potato *	Ham Soft bap.
Fri	Breaded Fish Fillet Fingers.	Cheese and Potato Pie.	Jacket Potato *	Cheese soft Bap



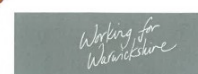
## Vacancy

Would you or anyone you know like to be a  
**Relief School Crossing Patrol** for  
**Michael Drayton Jnrs and Nathaniel Newton Infants School**  
in Hartshill (casual contract)

Shift availability: 8.10-9.05am and 2.40-3.45pm daily

Join our team now and make a real difference!  
Full training and uniform provided.  
Hourly rate of pay £10.79

Please call 01926 412661 or email [scp@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:scp@warwickshire.gov.uk) for further details.



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**This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff, volunteers and parents to share this commitment**



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