

Dear Parents and Carers,

Friday 27th June 25

It has been an exciting and fun two weeks as everyone has spent time in their new learning rooms and nearly everyone has been taught by their new teacher - apart from 4R going into Y5. 4R have been very patient but don't worry 4R, Mr Hand will be visiting us next Friday and is looking forward to getting to know you all. Our teachers have really enjoyed being with their new class, we hope your child has enjoyed the transition fortnight too.

Next week is back to our usual classes from Monday morning but there is nothing usual about next week; it is Health and Fitness week led by Mrs L Newton. We will be learning all about healthy eating, undertaking lots of physical exercise and thinking about how we can look after our emotional wellbeing too.

Children can wear appropriate sports clothes all week, although we do ask children to wear their school PE kits on their sport days. We look forward to welcoming parents onto the field to enjoy their child's sports afternoons. Please see the diary dates inside the newsletter for the date of sports afternoon for your child.

If the weather is not good (fingers crossed it is) we shall make a decision as to whether we postpone by 11:30AM and send a text to parents then. Children will be outside for more time than usual next week and we can never guess the weather, even if it is cloudy then our skin can burn. Please ensure your children have the essentials for being outside, including a hat, a water bottle, taken hay fever precautions if necessary and please apply all day sun cream before coming to school.

It is a busy time of year! Our new Reception children and an adult stayed for a delicious lunch this week, Y5 started their daily swimming lessons and Woodlands Warriors and Miss Harvey joined other digital leaders to share ideas about how we can teach everyone how to stay safe online. The word used to sum up the day was 'ACE!' the children left buzzing with lots of exciting ideas about what we can do next. Mrs L Newton arranged another football match but this time for our Y3 and Y4 children against Pool Hayes Primary which took place on Thursday afternoon. We won 3-0 which is wonderful and very well done to our Woodlands team who were incredibly sporting in their attitude.

Thank you to Mrs Dickson and Rotakids for doughnut day today – a special treat to end the week! Over the page you will find out what they are planning as a special event to end the year and raise funds for school resources. Next Friday is ice pop day (please order for your child through Scopy).

Also next week, Y4 and Y5 are visiting Pool Hayes High School on Wednesday to watch Frozen the musical (don't forget to be at school early). Y6 will be exploring coastal erosion at the seaside, visiting their new High Schools and celebrating at their Prom at the weekend! Wow!

It is difficult to keep up at the moment there is so much going on! Mrs Newton



Year 3 and 4 Football Match- 26.06.25

Results	
Woodlands	3
Pool Hayes	0



FANTASTIC ATTENDANCE DURING THE LAST WEEK!

2D 98.9% and 3A 97.7% both achieved great attendance

Very well done to these children and their families. These children deserve an extra playtime.

DISCO FOAM PARTY FUN!

Rotakids, Mrs Dickson and Mrs Sims have been busy fundraising for a fun way to end the year. Last year we had a colour fun run, this year children will be able to enjoy a disco foam party.

This event is not only fun but we are also raising money for VR headsets that our children can use in school that can provide different experiences to stimulate their imagination and extend their knowledge. Sponsorship forms will be coming home on Friday so children can start collecting sponsors for their dancing stamina in the foam. Any money raised, however small, will make a collective difference to our fund raising. Please can all monies collected be brought into school by 17th July.

This event will take place on Friday 11th July, with two parties in the afternoon. One party for our older children (Y3 to Y6) and one for our younger children (N to Y2).

Morning Nursery children are invited back into school at 1:15 and can be collected at 2:20. Your children will be brought to the main Reception doors for collection.

On this day children can wear their own clothes that they can dance in the foam in, we wouldn't recommend best clothes for this day. They will need a change of clothes for after the party and a towel. Children can bring water shoes to wear during the party, such as crocs or sliders. They can also bring sunglasses or goggles if they like.

Some children don't like getting messy so children can opt out of the foam element of the party but still take part in the disco. Please mention to your child's classteacher if you don't want your child to participate in this element of the afternoon.

If it is raining we will postpone the event to Tuesday 15th July.

**Now this is an event
to look forward to!**



Question of the week that we will be discussing in school and you can discuss at home too:

Are driverless taxis a good idea?

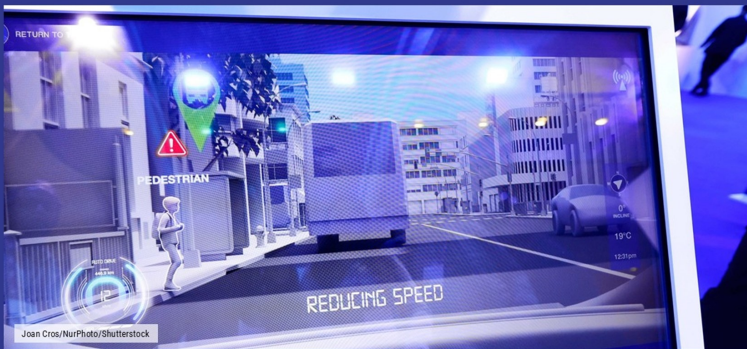
Taxi company, Uber, wants to test cars in London that can drive by themselves, without a person at the wheel. .

Our linking

**Woodland
value is
Risk Taker.**



What's happening in the news this week?



Let's have a look at this week's poster!

30th June - 6th July 2025

Pierced Ears and Earrings

With Health and Fitness Week on the horizon - a reminder about our PE policy and jewellery. The policy is based on national guidance issued by the Association for Physical Education designed to keep children safe. AfPE guidance states that:

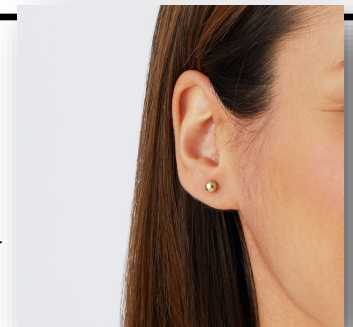
"Schools have a duty of care to ensure students are able to participate actively without unnecessarily endangering themselves or those working around them. A clear and consistently applied policy for the removal of personal effects should be in place. The Association for Physical Education (AfPE) strongly recommends the practice of removing all personal effects at the commencement of every lesson to establish a safe working environment. This applies to all ear and body piercings, including retainer and expander earrings."

This means that children cannot wear earrings or any other jewellery for PE lessons, which includes swimming.

Could parents please ensure they take the earrings out on PE days for younger children and older children can remove and replace by themselves for physical activity. Please be aware that adults in school cannot take responsibility for earrings or other valuables at any point.

We have also noticed a few hoops creeping in too - only small studs are allowed in school.

We accept that piercings take time to heal and this can be up to 6 weeks. We would therefore always advise that if a child is considering piercing their ears, this is undertaken at the beginning of the summer holidays so as to maximise healing time without affecting their lessons.



Who are the SUPERSTARS this week?



Class	Name	Reason
RG	Jaida	For sharing some excellent doubling facts in maths today
RJ	Ollie R	For making such a fantastic improvement in his writing – you have worked your socks off! Well done!
1W	Phoebe-Rose E	For fantastic improvement in English. Phoebe-Rose puts in 100% effort and has made incredible improvements in confidence and presentation. Well done!
1S	Kara S	For demonstrating super sharing skills with her peers! Well done Kara!
2CP	Theo B	Exceptional effort with sewing while creating a sampler using a back stitch, running and cross stitch.
2D	Lilian	For always helping in and around the classroom and supporting her peers when they need extra help. Well done Lilian!
3A	Ollie-Jay	For his super scientific knowledge about fossils. Ollie-Jay was able to tell everyone information which he had remembered from September. WOW! Well done Ollie-Jay!
3G	Jaxson G	Impressing with his ability to tell the time to five minute intervals during maths lessons in transition.
4R	Brooke	Always putting 100% effort into all her learning. Well done Brooke.
4N	Sahib	A wonderful first week at Woodlands. You have taken transition in your stride.
5HO	Milana	For an excellent effort during computing. Milana developed her skills even further and discovered how to change the screens so they transitioned seamlessly ready to present. Well done Milana!
5HA	Navseervat	For her improved work ethic this term — you're putting in a greater effort and it is showing in your work. Keep it up.
6P	Amelia P	For consistently showing kindness and compassion to others. Amelia goes out of her way to think about the needs of those around her, often putting others before herself. Your empathy makes a big difference – well done, Amelia!
6E	Blake M	For experimenting with language and punctuation, as well as his wider reading, to improve the quality of his writing. Blake truly embodies the meaning of the phrase seize every moment. I am so proud of you.

Dates on the horizon

Monday 30th June	Health and Fitness Week. Parents invited to Sport Afternoons. Monday 1:45 Y5 & Y6 Sports afternoon Tuesday 1:45 Y3 & Y4 Sports Afternoon Wednesday 1:45 Y1 & Y2 Sports Afternoon Thursday 1:45 YN & YR Sports Afternoon
Tuesday 1st July	Y6 Geography Visit to the coast
Wednesday 2nd July	Y4 and Y5 visiting Pool Hayes to watch Frozen (8:00 in school)
Friday 4th July	Ice Pop Day (Rotakids fundraising - more information to come)
Saturday 5th July	Y6 Prom Celebrations
Wednesday 9th July	Y1 Farm Visit
Wednesday 9th July	Y5 visiting Pool Hayes to participate in secondary science lessons (8:00 in school)
Thursday 10th July	2:00 Summer Sizzler Performance followed by Summer Fayre, all parents invited
Thursday 10th July	Uniform Stall at Woodlands 2pm onwards (cash only)
Friday 11th July	Rotakids exciting whole school event for children.... Disco Foam Party!
Monday 14th July	AM Treehouse parents coffee morning
Monday 14th July	Parent Drop In to meet teachers
Wednesday 16th July	Y1 Farm Visit
Thursday 17th July	9:15 Year 6 Production and Leaver's Presentations
Thursday 17th July	PM Forest School Presentations, invited parents
Friday 18th July	Last day of the academic year for children, school closes at normal time
Monday 21st July	Teacher Training Day
Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd September	Teacher Training Days
Wednesday 3rd September	School starts for children

Information to share with parents and carers

A parent alerted me earlier this week that she had seen a needle at the bus stop on Bloxwich Road North, just outside the school grounds. Please be careful, particularly with younger children who like to 'collect' things.

Clarification of driving times on the front car park

To keep everyone safe at drop off and pick up, there is no driving on the car park between the below times.

8:25 – 8:55 and 3:10 – 3:35

External Information that might be useful for our families

SHORHEATH RBL

FREE ENTRY

Art's & Craft Fair
Table Top Sale
Car Boot

12PM-4PM

SATURDAY 5TH JULY

FRESHLY MADE DONUTS,
CHICKEN TIKKA
TEA & COFFEE
WILL BE AVAILABLE.
BOUNCY CASTLE
BAR OPEN

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BOOK A TABLE
GIVE KEITH A CALL ON 07923057700
ONLY £5 PER SPACE.

IF IT'S RAINING IT WILL BE HELD INDOORS, THE
BAR WILL BE OPEN.

SHORHEATH RBL

FREE ENTRY

FAMILY NIGHT

PARTY

DISCO KARAOKE
BINGO
RAFFLES

SATURDAY 5TH JULY 7.30PM

ALL MEMBERS AND NONE MEMBERS WELCOME

IN OUR CONCERT ROOM

Short Heath R. B. L Club

Saturday 19th July

Steve Deval- Phil Collins

Tickets Members £5 Non-Members £6

Show Starts 8.30

No Under 18s

Mitchell Joseph Thompson

UB40

THE GREATEST HITS
AND MORE

★★★★★
"HEARING IS BELIEVING"

★★★★★
"HIS VOICE IS INSANE"

SATURDAY 9TH AUGUST
FROM 8.30PM

£6 FOR MEMBERS £8 NONE MEMBERS

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED FROM THE BAR

SHORHEATH RBL CHURCH ROAD

Supported Waiting Parent Network

Is your child on a waiting list to be seen by a paediatric health service?
Come and join us for support while you wait to be seen.

Forthcoming dates for 2025

June 25th

July 30th

August 27th

September 24th

October 29th

November 26th

For further advice or information,
telephone **01922 656463**
or email pals.officer@nhs.net



🕒 9.30am-11.30am

📍 Manor Farm Community Association
King George Crescent, Rushall, Walsall, WS4 1EU

WHC_15342614_19.06.25_V_1

Sleep Strategies

Is your child on a waiting list to be seen by a paediatric health service?

Come and join us at Manor Farm Community Association for the meeting of the Supported Waiting Network.

We have guest speakers to advise on a variety of monthly topics and many services who support with access to additional support for you and your child. Come and chat to other parents, find out what additional support is available across the partnership with our monthly themed support group.

For further advice or information,
telephone **01922 656463** or email pals.officer@nhs.net



🕒 9.30am-11.30am 📅 27 August 2025

📍 Manor Farm Community Association
King George Cres, Rushall, Walsall, WS4 1EU

WHC_15411914_20.06.25_V_1

Healthy Stars, eat, move, shine- including fussy eating strategies

Is your child on a waiting list to be seen by a paediatric health service?

Come and join us at Manor Farm Community Association for the meeting of the Supported Waiting Network.

We have guest speakers to advise on a variety of monthly topics and many services who support with access to additional support for you and your child. Come and chat to other parents, find out what additional support is available across the partnership with our monthly themed support group.

For further advice or information,
telephone **01922 656463** or email pals.officer@nhs.net



🕒 9.30am-11.30am 📅 30 July 2025

📍 Manor Farm Community Association
King George Cres, Rushall, Walsall, WS4 1EU

WHC_15411914_20.06.25_V_1

Sensory Strategies

Is your child on a waiting list to be seen by a paediatric health service?

Come and join us at Manor Farm Community Association for the first meeting of the Supported Waiting Network.

We have guest speakers to advise on a variety of monthly topics and many services who support with access to additional support for you and your child. Come and chat to other parents, find out what additional support is available across the partnership with our monthly themed support group.

For further advice or information,
telephone **01922 656463** or email pals.officer@nhs.net



🕒 9.30am-11.30am

📅 24 September 2025

📍 Manor Farm Community Association
King George Cres, Rushall, Walsall, WS4 1EU



HAF (Holiday Activities & Food Programme) is a free programme during the summer holidays for children and young people aged 5-16yrs who are eligible for free schools' meals, and other vulnerable groups

Children will be guaranteed Healthy food on each day and all activities will include a hot healthy meal

The HAF online portal will go live on **Thursday 26th June 2025 @ 10.00am** for bookings for the Summer delivery activities.

Parents need to register their children prior to this date by sending an email to wr4c@walsall.gov.uk or families can contact Mrs Graham and Mrs Pedley who could help you register.

The HAF Programme will be offering three types of activities:

- An **activity club** (provides a range of activities during the day for 4 hrs a day, 4 days a week per child)
- A '**Pick and Mix**' (choose up to 4 sessions from a range of activities on offer such as football, dance, code breaking & growing your own vegetables).
- A **Family Activity** (an event where parent/s attend with their child / children, e.g. a cinema trip).

For more information scan the barcode

You can also contact the team on 01922 653899 or email WR4C@walsall.gov.uk

The best activities go very quickly when the portal goes live so families need to be ready to book.



**Information that we have received in school from
Walsall Council about a local road closure**

Dear Resident,

Bridge Maintenance Works – Brick Kiln Bridge

As part of Walsall Council's ongoing commitment to highway safety and infrastructure improvement, essential maintenance works are scheduled for Brick Kiln Bridge located on Willenhall Lane, Dudley Fields. This work is necessary to ensure the continued safety and integrity of the structure.

The works are programmed to begin on 20 July 2025 and are expected to take approximately 9 weeks. Due to the nature of the works, a full bridge closure to all vehicular traffic for the first 6 weeks will be required and a signed diversion route (via Leamore Lane and Fryers Road) will be in place. This will be followed by temporary signals (24 hours per day) for approximately 3 weeks, which will allow one lane of traffic across the bridge in turn whilst the remainder of the structural repairs are completed.

Access for pedestrian will be maintained where possible, although some short-term restrictions may apply during certain phases of the works. We understand that this may cause some inconvenience, and we appreciate your patience and understanding while we undertake this important, safety critical work.

If you have any queries or anticipate problems caused by the construction works, please contact the contractor undertaking the repairs on 01543 375017. If you have any other queries relating to this scheme, you can contact the council by either e-mailing me directly via the email address provided above, or by calling the council's contact centre on 01922 653344.

We will endeavour to complete the work as quickly as possible.

COME AND JOIN THE TRAIL!

16 July - 14 September 2025

For 8 weeks from July, you can find all the bulls around Birmingham city centre and local surrounding neighbourhoods. The trail will be made up of 40 bulls and 88 calves, each with a unique design to admire.

bullsinthecity.co.uk



 **Birmingham
Hospice**

Brought to you by



Sponsored by  **UNIVERSITY OF
BIRMINGHAM**  **Mayor of the
West Midlands**  **West Midlands
Combined Authority**



WestMids_CA / TransportForWM
westmids_ca / TransportForWM
WestMidsandCA
westmidlandscs / TransportForWM

88
Calves

40
Bulls

Short Heath R.B.L Saturday 12th July



Plus

The Award Winning
Black Country Comedian

Nipper Thomas

Tickets £6

Doors Open 7.30pm Show Starts 8.30pm



Is your child starting School this September ?

We are thrilled to introduce Summer Adventure Passport.

You can pick up your passports from 11th July

We have lots of fun and exciting activities on offer across Walsall to support you and your little one , while helping them learn new skills throughout the summer.

Take a look at Family Hubs website [Summer Adventure passport :: Walsall Together](#)

This special booklet is packed with exciting activities and challenges designed to spark curiosity and build confidence in little learners. From developing independence to making friends, exploring stories, and getting school-ready — there's something for every child!

✿ **What's inside?**

- ✓ Creative arts & crafts
- ✓ Treasure hunts & bear hunts
- ✓ Sports days & Tiny Rangers
- ✓ Toilet training & virtual family work-shops
- ✓ Storytelling, LEGO fun & so much more!



Summer Adventure

Help your child stay curious, confident, and ready for September with our Summer Adventure Passport!

Packed with fun, simple activities you can do together, from exploring outdoors to sharing stories.

It's a great way to support their development while making summer memories.

Pick up your passport and start the adventure today!

Take a look at Family Hubs website to see what's on offer and where to get your passport from.
www.walsallfamilyhubs.co.uk



Funded by UK Government

Walsall Council

Walsall Family Hubs
Supporting families to live happier lives

NHS Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust

We're proud to be working with amazing partners like the **Art Gallery, Voluntary Community Sector, Library, NHS Health Visitors, Leisure Centres, Arts Connect**, and the **National Literacy Trust** to bring these experiences to life.

✉ **Don't miss out!**

Explore the passport here:

👉 <https://www.walsallfamilyhubs.co.uk/2-4/summer-adventure-passport#main>