The Friday Post

Friday, 06 January 2023



PE KIT (WEEK BEGINNING 9/1/23)			
	PE	PE	Woodland
			School
Dormouse	Monday	Friday	Thursday
Red	Monday	Wednesday	Thursday
Squirrel	·		·
Hedgehog	Tuesday		Monday
	Swimming		
Badger	Tuesday	Thursday	Friday

PE kit should be worn to school on the appropriate day. Woodland school kit should consist of waterproofs, <a href="https://html.ncb.nlm.ncb.n

ABSENCE

The government is placing a lot more emphasis on good school attendance. We are therefore required to ask for reasons for absence.

Please let the office know (via phone, email or website) if your child is off school for illness.

For appointments during the school day (doctor, dentist, hospital etc) please ask the reception for an appointment card and hand this in to the office.

Alternatively, a copy of the appointment letter (we can photocopy for you).

It would be most beneficial if appointments could be avoided during school hours as the children often miss important teaching points or activities.

Obviously, there will be occasions when this isn't possible and we understand that.

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 10th January - Hedgehogs swimming starts

Friday 13th January - Victorian Day - 150 years since school opened (see letters)

Wednesday 18th January - FOCS AGM - 3.15pm

Friday 3rd February - NSPCC Number Day

20th - 24th February - Half Term

27th February - Lent Journey Day

W/c 13th March - Parent Meetings (tbc)

Wednesday 29th March - Easter Service in church

Friday 31st March - End of Term

Monday 3rd - Friday 14th April - Easter Holiday

Monday 17th April - Term starts

Tuesday 18th April - Swimming for Red Squirrels starts

Monday 1st May - May Day Bank Holiday

Monday 8th May - Coronation Bank Holiday

Friday 26th May - PD Day - school closed to children

CONTACT DETAILS

If you change your contact details for any reason, especially **phone number** or address, please let the office know.

MENU

Next Week: Week TWO of NEW MENU

Updated menus are available on the website.

Please make sure your catering purse is regularly topped up.

Dogs

Please keep dogs on leads when waiting outside school. Thanks.



PARKING

Please remember to park safely and considerately. Pat and Pete have returned! Please say 'Hi' to them!



MESSAGING

Office hours are from 8.30 - 3.30.

<u>Urgent messages outside these hours (from 7.45am and until 6pm) should be phoned through please.</u>

WALKING BUS

We are very pleased to be able to offer the Walking Bus service again. This is made possible by the kind offer of a number of parents who have agreed to 'drive' and 'conduct'. The service will run daily from the church lychgate. Children can be dropped off from 830 and the bus will leave at 838 to get to school on time. If you would like to take advantage of this service please complete the form at

https://forms.gle/vmL7rJXqAfcnBSzG8. All of the teams meet the safeguarding requirements for any volunteer helping in school. The service has now started. New users are always welcome.

VICTORIAN DAY

Please see the letter outlining what we have in store for Friday 13^{th} January.

UNIFORM

As far as possible, it would be good for the children to wear school uniform on the days they don't have PE or Woodland School. At the very least, a navy blue jumper or cardigan. We do have a supply of second hand uniform mostly in the smaller sizes if anyone would like to take advantage of this. There is no charge but a small donation is welcomed. Thanks

BIRTHDAY BALL





SILENT AUCTION - NOW LIVE!

To place your bids please visit:

https://www.jumblebee.co.uk/focs150ball

FOCS are delighted to be running this Silent Auction to raise money for our lovely school.

Even if you are not able to attend on the night you are encouraged to join in the auction - all bidding is online via Jumblebee. Please do share amongst your friends and family too.

You can bid from now until the auction closes on the night of the ball – or enter your maximum bid and the site will proxy bid for you.

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SQUID

It appears that payments to Squid do not process if the card that has been used for payments has expired. Please be aware of this as you could end up building quite a debt! Thanks.

STAR PUPILS

We do like to hear about what the children have achieved outside school. It was great to hear the following news - "Over the Christmas break we received the wonderful news that Beatrix passed her pre-primary jazz exam



with a distinction (that she took on her own, one of three students in the academy to take exams on their own the others being secondary school age)

Oscar (Hyde-Smith) passed his primary jazz and ballet exams both with merits and Lily (H-S) passed her preliminary ballet exam with a merit.

All these exams are Nationally Accredited exams". Well done to all three children on these wonderful results.

MEDICATION

If you need medication (prescribed or over the counter) to be administered to your child(ren) in school hours, please make sure you complete a 'parental agreement to administer medication' form and hand it to the office

clearly labelled with the child's name. All medication is locked away and administered at the requested time.

COMMUNICATIONS

We maintain an 'open door' policy for parents to speak with staff when the need arises. This may not always be practically possible, especially in the mornings when teaching staff need to be in class to attend to arriving children (if the TA is not present). In this case, please speak with Mrs or Mr Watts (who are usually stood at the gate) to arrange an appointment or pass a message to. If you prefer, please call school or email and Mr Watts will be happy to assist. Most staff come to the gate in the afternoons. Thankyou

TRIPS AND VISITS



When setting up the online forms, there has always been a function to send a copy of your response to your email address. In future, forms will automatically send you a copy of your

response for future reference. It will arrive from a "Google Forms" email address. Please check your junk box if it doesn't materialise. Hopefully, this will resolve any uncertainties in the future.

Help make Clive roads safer - Volunteer with Clive Community Speed Watch!

Could you spare at least half an hour now and then to help with Community Speed Watch in Clive? The peak "speeding times" are around school drop off and pick up times - when pedestrians and children are most at risk - so if anyone can spare some time after school drop off (or any other time) that would be great. There is no minimum time commitment, but the more volunteers we have, the more flexible we can be with organising speed watch sessions. If we can get a few parents trained, then we can look at running a specific speed watch for this. Equipment and training are provided by West Mercia Police, so if you're interested, please contact Cllr Matt Alexander

(<u>mattalexander_@hotmail.com</u> or 01939 220596) or the Council Clerk (<u>clivepc@hotmail.co.uk</u> or 01691 674742).

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Support for parent carers of children with SEND - Shropshire's Local Offer

Having access to good quality information to help you understand the world of SEND is important when making decisions about your child's life. This is where websites such as the <u>Shropshire's SEND Local Offer</u> can help you.