# <u>The Friday Post</u>

# Friday, 03 February 2023

#### PE KIT (WEEK BEGINNING 30/1/2023)

	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, hat, scarf, gloves, long sleeved shirt, long trousers and wellies or boots.

#### 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.

#### DOGS

Please keep dogs on leads when walking up to, and waiting outside, school. We have had incidents of dog mess in school too! Thanks,



DIARY DATES 20<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> February - Half Term 27<sup>th</sup> February - Lent Journey Day 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> March - Parent Meetings Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March - Easter Service in church Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March - End of Term Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April - Easter Holiday Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April - Term starts Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April - Swimming for Red Squirrels starts Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May - May Day Bank Holiday Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May – Coronation Bank Holiday Friday 26<sup>th</sup> 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 Updated menus are available on the website. Please make sure your catering purse is regularly topped up.



#### PARKING

Please remember to park safely and considerately. The yellow zig zags are painted on the road to keep children safe by allowing drivers to clearly see pedestrians. Thankyou.

#### MESSAGING

Office hours are from 8.30 - 3.30. Urgent messages outside these hours (from 7.45am and until 6pm) should be phoned through please.

## MATHS COURSES FOR ADULTS

Shrewsbury Colleges Group are providing maths courses for adults. Check out their website for more details: Free maths courses for adults (scg.ac.uk)

#### 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.

#### STAR PUPILS

A huge well done to Badger Class children who attended Young Voices this week. A tiring day but well worth it for the experience of singing in a choir of about 8,000



Our value for the term is 'COURAGE'.

children!

#### 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

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#### **G**RAVEYARD

Please encourage the children to be careful and respectful when walking through the graveyard. Some of the gravestones are very old and, whilst they are regularly checked for safety, may fall. Similarly, with grave decorations. Thanks

#### NSPCC NUMBER DAY

We have raised a fantastic **£68.25** today. Thankyou for your support. This money will help support the fabulous work of the NSPCC who run a range of projects supporting vulnerable children.



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From Knowsley Newsletter (Internet Safety)

# Minecraft

Check the age ratings: Minecraft is rated by PEGI as 7+ or 12+ depending on which game version you are playing. The App store rate it as 9+ and the Google Play store rate it as 10+.

Minecraft remains ever popular and can be a great learning tool that is often used in schools to teach planning skills, recreate famous buildings in 3D and coding. Players use building blocks (a bit like Lego) to create their own worlds.

#### Which mode?

You can choose between Creative or Survival mode creative mode removes the survival elements of the game (no mobs appearing at night) so may be a more appropriate mode for your child to play.

## What else do I need to be aware of?

- **Multiplayer** – children can interact with others (including strangers), you can switch this option off within settings or choose to play offline.

- Block and report players – if your child is playing with others, make sure they know how to block and report players within the game.

- Additional purchases – be aware of in app purchases and the purchase of additional items (skin packs) to support (although not needed) game play.

In addition, protect your child's privacy by using a nickname (don't include their age/birth year) rather than their real name for their profile and chat to your child to make sure that when playing online they know not to share personal information. Also, make sure they know they can talk to you or a trusted adult if anybody or anything is making them feel uncomfortable.

Do not forget to make sure you have set up appropriate parental controls on the device your child is using to play Minecraft as well.

# **Further information**

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/onlinesafety/online-safety-blog/is-minecraft-safe-for-children/

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## YOUNG VOICES 2023

On Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February, year 5 and 6 from Clive School were lucky enough to have been invited to join the 8,595 strong choir of children from schools all around the UK in the Young Voices Choir at the AO Arena in Manchester.

We arrived at lunchtime for the rehearsals and we tried hard to remember the order of the songs, and follow the conductor's instructions - watching him carefully all afternoon. We were also treated to a preview performance from the Urban Striders Dance Collective, The Beatbox Collective, Anna Phoebe (an amazing violinist) not to mention the amazing Heather Small.

After the rehearsal, we waited excitedly for the main concert, watching our parents come in and also joining in with the Mexican wave with the rest of the choir. Finally, it all went black except for thousands of shining stars (small torches) being shone by the choir. We were then a part of an amazing choir and we sang our hearts out throughout the night.

It was an amazing experience for everyone and we arrived back safely, tired but still on a high from the fabulous evening.

By

Alice, Phoebe, Lacie, Beth, Emmie, Bella, Ruby, Joben, Lucas, Will, Monty, Logan and Kegan.



