



# Nunnery Wood Primary School



## NEWSLETTER - END OF SUMMER 1 Wednesday 25th May 2022



### YOUNG VOICES 2022

Twenty children from Key Stage 2 attended Young Voices at the Resorts World Arena last week. What an experience it was! The children were an absolute delight to take and a real credit to our school and their parents. Our children were part of a 5000-person choir. The whole experience was a 'Wow' moment for them all and we hope the children will treasure it as one of those life long memories. A big thank you to Miss Cother for finishing organising the trip whilst Miss MacRae is on maternity leave and to Mr Bidwell and Mrs Salisbury for accompanying the choir.

### YOUR SCHOOL NEEDS YOU!

In September 2022 we are planning to introduce a monthly assembly for Key Stage 2 (pupils in Years 3 to 6) to find out about different jobs and careers. We are working hard to develop the children's understanding of the curriculum subjects we teach and the opportunities that curriculum subjects offer them in later life.

For example, to train as a nurse you will need to enjoy Science, Maths and English and have a caring, compassionate attitude.

We want to inspire children by inviting you (parents and carers) into school to share what you did to become a success in your chosen career, what subjects you enjoyed, qualifications required and what it is like performing your role.

We know amongst our school community we have plumbers, doctors, scientists, taxi drivers, hair dressers, beauticians, gardeners, carers, nurses, computer analysts, retail assistants... the list is endless. The assembly will be no longer than 20 minutes and either Mr Bidwell or I will help facilitate the assembly.

If you are interested in supporting us and are willing to talk to the children please contact the school office.



### Attendance Matters

### SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Thank you to everyone for supporting us. As you are aware, we have high expectations for every pupil's attendance at school. We are committed to improving achievement through attendance and we continue to monitor the attendance of all pupils. If a child's attendance continues to be poor, we will invite parents/carers to attend an Attendance Improvement Meeting.



We would like to remind you that leave of absence is not an entitlement.

Pupils will only be given permission for leave if there are exceptional circumstances.

It is your responsibility to advise us if your child is absent from school. You will be contacted if we have not been informed as this part of our safeguarding procedures.

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Over the last half-term, whilst we attendance has improved, there are far too many children arriving late to school. We appreciate that there will sometimes be exceptional circumstances but it is essential that children are on time as it impacts on their learning. Please ensure that your child/children arrives on time.



## QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE ON THURSDAY 26<sup>th</sup> MAY

The children will be involved in activities all this week linked to the jubilee. We would like to invite you, as parents/carers, to join us for afternoon tea celebrations at 2.30 pm on the school field. We are delighted to inform you that our choir will entertain us with a couple of songs they sang at the Young Voices event.

Please enter the school by the office. Tea and coffee will be available in the school hall, as well as a limited amount of cakes, in exchange for donations. The children will return to their classrooms at 3.00 pm and parents will be free to collect their child via their normal classrooms. Fingers crossed the weather will be kind to us.

## TRIPS

There are a number of exciting trips and opportunities planned over the next half term for children in a range of year groups. In order to run the trips, it is important that we have a good adult to child ratio. If your child is going on a trip and you are able to support by attending and accompanying the group please contact your child's class teacher when you receive the trip information.

## SCHOOL UNIFORM

We believe that school uniform helps to create a sense of community within our school. Please ensure that your child attends school appropriately dressed. We ask that parents ensure all items are clearly named.

Our school uniform consists of the following items:

- Sweatshirts/cardigans in the school colour (bottle green) with or without the school logo.
- White shirts or polo shirts may be worn underneath the sweatshirts or on their own in warmer weather.
- Black or grey skirts, pinafores, trousers or shorts. In warmer weather, dark green striped or checked dresses are an acceptable option. Skirts should be appropriate length for school.
- Sensible black shoes with either white, green or black socks or tights are acceptable. The wearing of trainers or pumps is discouraged. We discourage the wearing of shoes with heels of a height that may compromise children's safety on the playground, and may decide to ask a child to change into their P.E. pumps or stay off the playground if these are worn to school.
- P.E. uniform consists of a white T shirt and black or navy shorts, with a pair of black slip on pumps for certain activities. For safety reasons, we ask that T shirts are long enough to tuck into shorts and that shorts are not too baggy. Children also need outdoor P.E. kit – trainers rather than pumps, plus jogging bottoms and a sweatshirt or a tracksuit. All children must have a P.E. bag in which to keep their kit.

If for any reason your child has to attend school with trainers or the wrong uniform due to unforeseen circumstance, please write a note to the class teacher, stating the reason. A child not wearing the appropriate school uniform should only be for short-term measure. We are here to help and support.

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WORCESTERSHIRE  
**CHILDREN FIRST**



**FSM VOUCHERS FOR SCHOOL HOLIDAY PERIODS -**  
*message from WORCESTERSHIRE CHILDREN FIRST*

Free School Meal vouchers for use during school holiday periods have been funded by the Household Support Fund during 2021-2022. This grant is allocated by central government to local areas. For 2022-2023 the grant has been extended from April – September 2022 only however the criteria for use has been changed to include help and support for other groups of the population. Worcestershire has grant available to provide children eligible for FSM for 2 weeks of school holiday periods during this time. WCF have taken a strategic decision that with this limited provision it would be most effective to make these vouchers available to cover 2 weeks of the summer holiday. This means that FSM vouchers will not be available to order for the half term holiday (w/b 30th May 2022). However, schools will be able to order for the summer holidays from early in July.

We do understand that this may be disappointing for some families therefore if you are struggling financially. Please make a direct request via the Here2help website

[https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20758/here2help\\_coronavirus\\_covid-19](https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20758/here2help_coronavirus_covid-19) .

This website is available at all times for families who may need assistance.

In addition, we will be promoting the support available to search via Ready Steady Worcestershire including support for food, financial support, activities and community assistance. The Holiday and Food Activity scheme will be available for children and families to access during the summer holiday period providing free access to food and activities for those eligible for FSM.

<https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/readysteadyworcs>

## Term Dates:

School term ends: Friday 27th May

School closed for staff training: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June

School re-opens: Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June

Finally...

Enjoy your half-term break and hopefully the weather will be sunny so that we can all enjoy the Jubilee celebrations.

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