



Pye Green Academy News

Friday 30th November 2018

Week Commencing 3rd December 2018 will be
Lunch Menu Week Two



Donations

Friday 7th of December will be non-uniform day for the children of Pye Green Academy in exchange for a donation towards the Christmas Fair on the 14th December. If possible, please support us by bringing one of the following donations on Friday 7th December.

Nursery & Reception – Bags/boxes of chocolates and sweets.

Year 1&2 –Boxed/wrapped mince pies, xmas cakes etc

Year 3&4 –Bottled toiletries, shower gels, body locations, sprays etc. (Unused please)

Year 5&6 – Wine (Please take to the school office.)

Please bring any fresh products or home baking to the school office on Friday 14th December.

No old toys or anything out of date, opened or used please.

Thank you in advance for your support!

Christmas Dates



Our Christmas Carol Services at Staffordshire University Academy for Year 3-6 take place on Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th December. Performances will begin at 6.30pm and children are asked to arrive at 6pm. **Please note that all children in KS2 are expected to attend on both nights.**



Morning Nursery and Mrs Dudley and Mrs Orr's class performance: Wednesday 12th December 10am
Afternoon Nursery and Miss Raba's Class performance: Thursday 13th December – 2pm

Year One and Year Two performance for **Year 1 parents:** Wednesday 12th December - 2pm
Year One and Year Two performance for **Year 2 Parents:** Thursday 13th December - 10am

Messages from Mr Barker

Polite and Considerate Parking

Many thanks to all of our parents who park politely and with consideration when dropping off or picking up. This includes those who use our care club facilities early or later in the day. It is greatly appreciated.

However, we do have some disabled bays that must be kept clear. Could parents and families please use normal bays as the disabled bays are not for your convenience. These bays have been assigned for parents/families/visitors who have need for extra space and the close proximity to school.

Several silver cars were parked in those bays on Friday 30th November. I have also reminded our delivery partners that this is the case. If you find our car park full, this is often the case, please use the car park adjacent to school off Rosehill and walk the few metres.

Mr Simon Barker.

Bikeability

Year 6 completed their 'Bikeability' on the roads and bike trails around our school. We held two sessions, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. The weather wasn't perfect, but luckily it wasn't as bad as we feared. The children travelled from school to Belt Road and on to Staffordshire University Academy where they were given a cake and water. We then went on towards Chadsmoor Infants, past The Bridge and home through the new estate. A great time was had by all.

Christmas Concerts

I am looking forward to seeing all of the children and families in our two concerts at Staffordshire University Academy on 4th and 5th of December. I do hope all children can attend both nights. Staff and Mrs. Butlin have worked really hard and it would be much appreciated if we had full attendance on both evenings.

Christmas Fayre.

Our Christmas Fayre is nearly here! Please come and support the school and have some fun. Don't forget it starts at 2:30pm. You can collect your child from their normal door. Please don't worry if you can't make it, your child will be looked after until normal time and can then be collected from the Year 5/6 door on the KS2 playground.

PTFA Christmas Fayre



The PTFA Christmas Fayre will take place on Friday 14th December. Following discussion with our PTFA, to try and maximise our school and parental resources, it will begin at 2:30pm. Children will need to be collected at 2:30pm from their normal doors. They then go through our main entrance (with their parents) to enjoy the stalls, games and activities in the school hall and adjoining rooms.

Any child unable to be collected at 2.30pm will be looked after in school by some of our team until the end of the school day. These pupils can then be collected at 3:15pm from the Year 5 door on the Key Stage 2 playground.

Friday 21st December

School will close at 1:45pm on Friday 21st December. There will be no after school clubs or care club at the end of the day.

In the coming weeks as part of our PSHE curriculum each teacher will spend some time with their class teaching 'The Underwear Rule' and going through what PANTS stands for.

'The Underwear Rule' teaches them that:

- their body belongs to them
- they have a right to say no, and
- they should always tell an adult if they are upset or worried.

The NSPCC have designed booklets for both parents and children. The guide for Parents and Carers is to help you feel confident when talking to your children about staying safe. It also explains 'The Underwear Rule' in detail.

The guides can be found by following this link to the [NSPCC Website](#)

In classrooms, we will use the child friendly version of the guide.

We know that talking to your child about their body and staying safe can seem difficult, but it does not have to be scary. 'Talk PANTS' is a simple way that parents can help keep children safe from abuse.

If your child says anything that worries you there is advice in the booklet. You can also contact Mrs Yates, Miss Edkins or Mr Barker should you need further advice.



RECEPTION OPEN DAY

If your child is eligible for a Reception place in September 2019, then we are holding an open day for prospective parents on Thursday 6th December. Please contact the school office to book a time to visit and to find out more about our school. We look forward to seeing you.

Dates for Your Diaries

School will close at 1.45pm on Friday 21st December.
There is no after-school Care Club on this day.

School will be closed to children on the following days:

Monday 7th January 2019.

Friday 21st June 2019.

Monday 22nd July 2019.

Best Attendance W/C 19th November 2018



Congratulations to
Miss Fitzpatrick's
class for having
the best

attendance over a one week period W/C
19th November 2018 99.6%

It is important that children are in school
on time.

Arriving late can be disruptive and unsettling for
your child, and attending after 8.55 am will give
your child an unauthorised mark for the morning
session.

Weekly Attendance Figures

Week Commencing

19th November 2018

1F	99.6%
2DH	98%
6S	96.7%
4N	96.4%
5C	96.1%
2R	95.8%
4B	95.8%
5W	95.7%
6E	95.1%
3BA	94%
3BR	92.7%
1E	91.6%
RDO	90%
RR	90%

Celebration Assembly



Many thanks to all of the parents who shared our Celebration Assembly with us. It was great to see so many of you in school.

Congratulations to all of the children who were presented with certificates:

Ethan, Josh, Amelie, Finley, Kyan - Year 5

Lexi, Eden, Owen, Sephia, Amelia, Rhys - Year 6

The next Celebration assembly will be in the New Year 2019.



School Closure

If the school should be unable to open because of an emergency or bad weather, the school will send a text message to parents as early as possible.

As always we will do our best to keep the school open; any decision to close will be made as early as possible to give parents and carers the opportunity to make alternative childcare arrangements.

Please ensure that the school office has an up-to-date mobile phone number for your family so that we can keep you informed about decisions.

Updated information will be posted on the County Council's school closure website at: www.staffordshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures and on the school website www.pyegreen.staffs.sch.uk

Pye Green Academy

School Terms and Holiday Dates 2018/19

Autumn Term 2018

Term ends: Friday 21 December
Holiday: Monday 24 December - Friday 4 January

Spring Term 2019

Inset Day: Monday 7th January (**Closed to pupils**)
Term starts: Tuesday 8th January for Pupils
Half term: Monday 18 February - Friday 22 February
Term ends: Friday 12 April
Holiday: Monday 15 April - Friday 26 April
Easter Sunday: Sunday 21 April

Summer Term 2019

Term starts: Monday 29 April
May Day: Monday 6 May
Half term: Monday 27 May - Friday 31 May
Inset Day: Friday 21st June (**Closed to pupils**)
Term ends: Friday 19th July for Pupils
Inset Day: Monday 22nd July (**Closed to pupils**)
Holiday: Tuesday 23 July - Friday 30 August

Regular Monthly Events

1 st Monday	Chase mental Health Hub	Monthly Meet	10am Pavilion Hednesford Park
1 st Wednesday	Cookie Club Reading Group		10am Museum of Cannock Chase
1 st Saturday	Hednesford Litter Heroes	Litterpick	11am Pye Green Woods, Cotswold Road
1 st Sunday	Hednesford Litter Heroes	Litterpick	10am Brickworks Nature Reserve
1 st Sunday	Dementia Friend Training		10:30am Pavilion Hednesford Park
2 nd Tuesday	Families Living with Dementia Craft Sessions		11am Pavilion Hednesford Park
2 nd Tuesday	Hednesford Lions	Monthly Meet	8pm Hen House, Eskrett Street
2 nd Friday	Hednesford Town FC SA	Monthly Meet	7:30pm Keys Park
2 nd Sunday	Hednesford Litter Heroes	Litterpick	10am Old Hednesford Park
3 rd Wednesday	Heart of Hednesford	Monthly Meet	6pm Bella's Café
3 rd Friday	Little Friends Baby and Toddlers Themed Activities		10:30am Museum of Cannock Chase
3 rd Sunday	Heart of Hednesford	Litterpick	10am Town Centre, Co op Car Park
3 rd Sunday	Hednesford ParkFit	Fun Run/Walk	9:30am Hednesford Park
4 th Friday	Hidden Gems of the Museum		11am Museum of Cannock Chase
Last Thursday	Monthly Alzheimer's Support Evenings		7pm Aquarius Ballroom
Last Sunday	Hednesford Litter Heroes	Litterpick	10am Anglesey Nature Reserve
Last Sunday	Hednesford Lions	Litterpick	10am War Memorial

Weekly Activities

Monday	ChaseFit Walks for Health		9:30am Pavilion Hednesford Park
Monday	Sidney's Sight Support Group		10am Pavilion Hednesford Park
Monday	Mindful Monday; Step in to the moment walk		12 noon Pavilion Hednesford Park
Monday	Knit and Natter		1pm Hednesford Library
Tuesday	Work Routes Job Club		10am Hednesford Library
Tuesday	Heather's Roots Forest School		3:30pm Forest School Area Hednesford Park
Wednesday	Cannock Chase Council Local office Open		9am Hednesford Library
Wednesday	Potter in the Park		9:30am Pavilion Hednesford Park
Wednesday	Toast Shop Vulnerable Adult friendship group		10am Pavilion Hednesford Park
Thursday	Citizens Advice Bureau Outreach		9am Pye Green Community Centre
Thursday	Baby Bounce and Rhyme		10am Hednesford Library
Thursday	Maths course for adults wanting support		10am Pavilion Hednesford Park
Thursday	English course for adults wanting support		12:30pm Pavilion Hednesford Park
Thursday	You Crafty Thing		10:30am Museum of Cannock Chase
Friday	Grow Up Great		10am Hednesford Library
Friday	Braille Lesson group		10am Pavilion Hednesford Park
Sunday	Tennis for Free		10am Tennis Courts Hednesford Park

If you have an event to add please email paul@hednesfordinpartnership.co.uk



Calendar of Events in Our Community

Cannock Beer Festival	20 th – 22 nd September	Prince of Wales Theatre
Health and Happiness Show	Thursday 20 th September 2018	Hednesford ex- Serviceman's Club
Cannock Chase Full Council	Wednesday 26 th September 2018	Civic Centre
Comedy Night at the Museum	Wednesday 26 th September 2018	Museum of Cannock Chase
RAFA Freedom of the District	Saturday 29 th September 2018	Town Centre
Planet Duran	Saturday 29 th September 2018	Hednesford ex- Serviceman's Club
World Mental Health Day	Wednesday 10 th October 2018	Hednesford Park
Non League Football day	Saturday 13 th October 2018	Keys Park
Murder Mystery Evening	Saturday 20 th October 2018	Museum of Cannock Chase
Hazel Slade Big Band	Tuesday 23 rd October 2018	Hednesford ex- Serviceman's Club
Hallowe'en Spooktacular	Tuesday 30 th October 2018	Museum of Cannock Chase
Hallowe'en Spooktacular	Wednesday 31 st October 2018	Museum of Cannock Chase
Lantern Story Walk	Wednesday 31 st October 2018	Hednesford Park
Fantastic Beasts	Thursday 1 st November 2018	Museum of Cannock Chase
Red Tent Day (Women Only)	Thursday 1 st November 2018	Hednesford Park
Fireworks Spectacular	Sunday 4 th November 2018	Hednesford Raceway
Remembrance Sunday	Sunday 11 th November 2018	St Peter's Church
Winter Wonderland	Sunday 18 th November 2018	Museum of Cannock Chase
Christmas Family Day	Sunday 2 nd December 2018	Museum of Cannock Chase
Christmas Lights Switch on	Friday 7 th December 2018	Town Centre
HTFCSA Carol Service	Monday 10 th December 2018	Keys Park
Christmas Artisan Market	Saturday 15 th December 2018	Town Centre
Christmas Wishes	Saturday 15 th December 2018	Museum of Cannock Chase
Hazel Slade Big band	Tuesday 18 th December 2018	Hednesford ex- Serviceman's Club
Hednesford Summer Festival	Saturday 10 th August 2019	Hednesford Park

Exhibitions

18 th August to 12 th October	Brindley Village A legacy of the Great War	Museum of Cannock Chase
22 nd October to 14 th December	The War to End All Wars: The People's Story	Museum of Cannock Chase
26 th Sept, 10 th Oct, 14 th Nov, 12 th Dec	Forest of Mercia CIC Craft course	Hednesford Park

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Lunchtime Menu Week Two

Week beginning 3rd December 2018

Please note changes to Menu are shown in Red

	Main meal...	On the side...	For Dessert...
Monday	 Tuna Pasta Bake with Garlic Bread	Garden Peas Carrots	Fruity Flapjack Slice
	 Baked Cheese & Tomato Pizza Slice ✓		
	 Jacket Potato with Filling		
	 Sandwich Selection Cheese		
Tuesday	 Beef, Vegetable and Potato Pie	Sweetcorn Broccoli	Apple Crumble with Custard
	 Winter Root Vegetable Casserole ✓		
	 Jacket Potato with Filling		
	 Sandwich Selection Tuna Mayo		
Wednesday	 Roast Turkey, Stuffing with Roast Potatoes	Creamed Swede, Carrots and Broccoli Salad Selection	Marble Sponge and Custard
	 Pizza Whirl with Roast Potatoes ✓		
	 Jacket Potato with Filling		
	 Sandwich Selection Ham		
Thursday	 Traditional Lamb Shepherd's Pie	Braised Red cabbage & Sweetcorn	Banana Gingerbread Pudding and Custard
	 Oven baked Vegetable Curry with Wholegrain Rice ✓		
	 Jacket Potato with Filling		
	 Sandwich Selection Turkey		
Friday	 Baked Fish Fingers with Chips or Wedges	Baked beans Garden Peas	Fruit Jelly & Ice Cream
	 Oven Baked Bean Burrito with Vegetable Rice or chips ✓		
	 Jacket Potato with Filling		
	 Sandwich Selection cheese		