

Be Kind, Be Safe, Believe - Achieve

Key Dates

- Monday 9th November PTFA Annual General Meeting – 7.30 pm
- Friday 13th November - Children in need - £1 donation – non uniform
- Week Beginning Monday 16th November – Amended Parent Evenings (please see below)
- Friday 18th December – Last day of term.



A quick reminder to parents, please email the office or telephone with any general enquiries to avoid unnecessary contact. Teachers will still be available on the gates before and after school help with questions or take messages.

Parents, Teachers & Friends Association – Needs Your Support

PTFA

Over many years, members of our PTFA have worked extremely hard and effectively to raise money for the children of our school.

The PTFA organises regular social events such as discos and the annual Christmas and Summer Fairs. For the PTFA to be successful and representative we need as many active members as possible.

This year more than ever we need your support as vital fundraising will be much more difficult due to restrictions. Every member of the school community is automatically a member of the PTFA.

On **Wednesday 11th November 2020 at 7.30pm** we will be holding the PTFA Annual General Meeting (AGM) via a video conference during which we will elect members of the PTFA Committee and its officers; Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.

As we are registered with the Charity Commission; the elected members of the committee will be the legal trustees of the PTFA and carry the responsibilities thus entailed. Every member of the school community is invited to attend the AGM. Even if you do not wish to be a member of the committee, we would welcome your support, and will be drawing up a list after the AGM of people willing to help at PTFA events.

If you wish to stand for election to the PTFA Committee please email your intent to pyegreenacademyptfa@gmail.com by **Monday 9th November 2020**.

You will then receive details of the meeting. Applications will need to be proposed and seconded by members of the school community. Nominations for election to the committee may be made by one member of the school community seconded by another. Nominations must have the consent of the nominee.

May I take this opportunity to thank all of the existing members of the PTFA for their hard work and support over the last twelve months. The children have benefited greatly from your endeavours.

There will be the following positions:

- Chair (1 position)
- Treasurer (1 position)
- Secretary (1 position) **currently vacant**
- Ordinary Member (positions)



Covid 19 Update



Thank you to everyone who has been following our staggered gate system and keeping socially distant at the beginning and end of the days. I appreciate that the system does add a couple of extra minutes onto your morning routine, however, it is essential to avoid classes crossing and keeping everyone as safe as we possibly can. Can I also remind adults who are bringing or collecting children to and from school to wear a face covering, as much as possible. Any adult coming through the school gates to drop off our youngest children must wear a face covering whilst on the school site. We understand some people can not wear face coverings, due to medical reasons, but we rely on the good will of most parents to keep Pye Green as safe as possible during this time.



To celebrate children in need, we are asking children to bring in a £1 donation in return for wearing non-uniform. On Friday 13th November, spots and Pudsey themed items are encouraged but not essential.

School Dinners

We have been instructed by UWMAT not to use cutlery at this time, including plastic items. This is in line with our covid safety procedures.

Therefore, our menu will consist of food items that children can eat independently – finger food.



I want to reassure parents that there will continue to be a range of hot food options and a choice of vegetarian foods each day. This week's menu is attached below.

Parent's Evening Update

We are aware that our usual approach to parent's evenings will not be possible at the current time. However, we are in the process of making arrangements for a discussion with your child's class teacher via a telephone call.

Teachers will talk about your child's progress so far this academic year, what targets or key skills they are working on at the moment and how you could support them.

We will also chat about your child's well being, their approach to learning and enjoyment of school.

Of course, there will be an opportunity for you to talk about any issues you would like to raise or ask any questions.

Parent evening calls will take place during the week beginning 16th November 2020. You will receive a letter from your class teacher shortly with more details.

Although this can not replicate the face to face meetings and sharing of your child's work, I hope it goes some way towards building and maintaining strong partnerships between families and school.

Staffordshire Police are currently promoting their 'Ditch the Blade' campaign. Attached to this email you will find a letter from Staffordshire Police with regards to this.

Further information can also be found at <https://www.staffordshire.police.uk/DITCHTHEBLADE>



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[Reception Applications for September 2021](#)



I am very pleased to let you know that we are now taking applications for our Reception class places, beginning in September 2021.

Our provision is lead by Miss Fitzpatrick who is busily arranging a virtual tour for parents who would like to see our Early Years provision and find out more details and information.

Our Foundation Stage provides the very best start for our youngest children. We have experienced, specialist staff and offer a stimulating and aspirational early years curriculum.

Miss Fitzpatrick & myself are currently developing plans to reinvigorate our Early Years environment and resources, both inside the classroom and outside. It's a very exciting time, so watch this space!

If you would like to apply for a place please follow the link below.

<http://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/admissions>

If you would like any further information or help, then please contact our office

enquiries@pyegreen.uwmat.co.uk



Please note all meals are served in take away boxes.

Week Two Date W/C 09/11/2020					
Primary Menu Week 2	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAYS
Main Course (Red)	Hot dogs served with Wedges	Pepperoni Pizza served with half baked potato	Roast Turkey and stuffing Bap with roast potatoes	Chicken and sweetcorn Flan served with roast potatoes	Fish Fingers served with chips
Vegetarian Main Course (Green)	Quorn Dogs served with wedges	Cheese and Tomato Pizza served with half baked potato	Quorn roast and stuffing Bap served with roast potatoes	Cheese and broccoli Flan with diced potatoes	Cheesy Oatcakes served with chips
Yellow	No option	No option	No option	No option	No option
Vegetables	Vegetable Sticks	Vegetable Sticks	Vegetable Sticks	Vegetable Sticks	Vegetable Sticks
Sandwich Option (Blue)	Ham Wrap	Cheese Sandwich	Ham Wrap	Cheese Sandwich	Tuna Wrap
Dessert	Iced Vanilla sponge with custard	Apple sponge	Oat crunchy Biscuit	Chocolate Crunch	Chocolate Muffin