



Newsletter

Friday 12th May 2023

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Menu for week commencing

15/05/2023 showing on last page
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Well Done Year 6!



This week saw our Year 6 pupils sit their SATs. We are so proud of how they all approached these tests. They were resilient, determined and gave it their all.

This afternoon, they have relaxed with a film and a 'Pot of Joy'.



Apparently, the toast each morning was the best they have ever had 😊

Pye Green Academy Parental Questionnaire

As a school, we always like to fully communicate with parents and our local community. This has led to very strong relationships between staff, children and parents. In order to gather information from parents, our Learning Partnership (Greenheart Learning Partnership GLP) are asking us to share a parental questionnaire with parents across all of our 10 schools. I would appreciate it if as many parents as possible would be able to spend some time completing this over the next few weeks for our school. The survey will close on Friday 19th May but will be available at any time before this date.

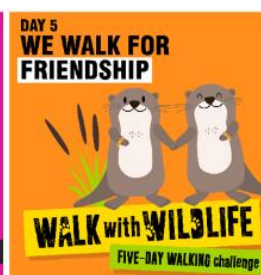
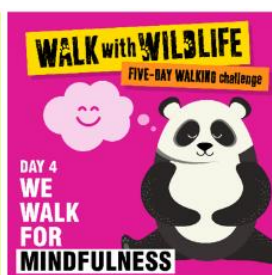
To access the questions, please cut and paste the link below into your browser.

edurio.com/poll/gO4Uef



Walk To School Week - 15-19 MAY 2023

The School Council would like you to complete the Walk to School Week challenge and walk to school every day. We understand that some of you live too far away to walk, so maybe you could drive most of the way and walk the rest of the journey. Let's join schools all around the UK and try and make a difference for ourselves, our community and the planet!



Mental Health Awareness Week

Mental Health week starts on Monday 15th May 2023. This is something we feel very strong about at Pye Green Academy.

Children can join in on **19/05/2023** by **wearing something green for the day**. Please don't buy anything for this day, as children can wear their green jumpers/cardigans. *No money is required.*

The children will take part in a range of activities during the afternoon.



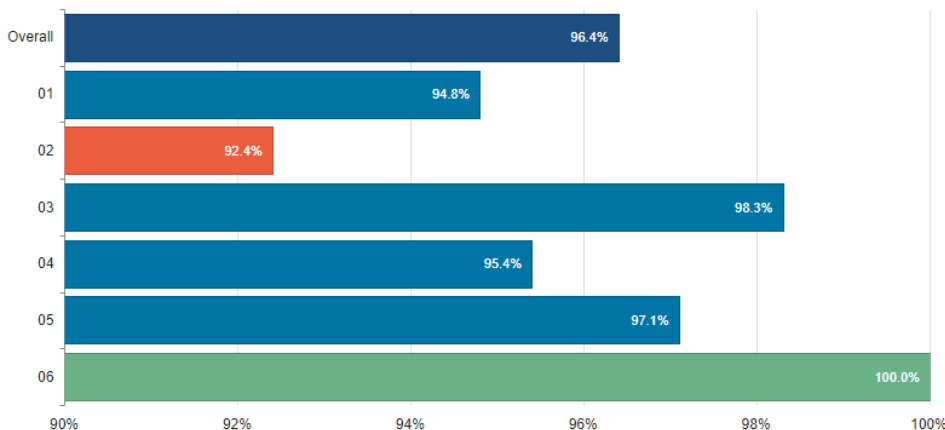
Here are some mental health top tips: -

- Go out for a walk or a run.
- Play your favourite songs.
- Write a list of things that make you happy.
- Talk to a friend or someone you feel comfortable talking to.
- Ring 111 and ask for help/advice.
- Bake a cake, paint, colour or draw do something to distract yourself.
- The Samaritans are available for you to talk to 24 hours a day – call them free on 116 123.

Please note the change of date due to other events happening in school on the date stated on the newsletter last week.

Attendance

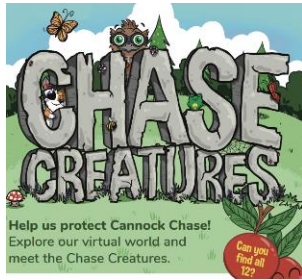
Congratulations to **Year 6** for having the best attendance during this week at a **FANTASTIC 100%**. Overall school attendance stands at **96.4%** this week, which is perfectly in line with National average of **96.4%**. Well done everyone, this is amazing 😊



Achieving 90% in an exam or test is a fantastic result, but if your child is at school for only 90% of the school year then they will have missed 19 days – this is almost four whole weeks of school and **100 hours** of missed learning.

Any child with attendance less than 90% is classed as being **persistently absent**.

Chase Creatures



The Eco-Committee and Art Ambassadors are very excited to tell you all about an exciting project they have been working on. The children helped design the Chase Creatures characters; these are based on the 12 messages of the Cannock Chase Code, which are simple messages to help protect Cannock Chase. You will be able to walk along the route and search for the Chase Creatures in a 'Pokémon Go' style game.

We now need help in testing out the challenge before it is available to the general public. As they are using cutting edge technology, they need to assess certain elements of the challenge such as phone coverage, signals, ease of collection etc. Any feedback you can give is greatly appreciated.

We hope you enjoy the challenge and learn more about how to look after Cannock Chase.

WHEN: Saturday 20th May 12 – 3pm

Where: Marquis Drive Visitor Centre – Cannock Chase Forest Hednesford – WS12 4PW

IMPORTANT - To undertake the Chase Creatures AR Test Challenge, you will need a smart phone with data, charged to at least 50% and if an iPhone it must be on version IOS 15.

How to access the challenge:

Before you visit the site:

1. Download the Cannock Chase Can App (available on Android/ IOS). Here's a short animation that shows you how, click [here](#).
2. Set-up an account and answer your 'Wellness Wheel' questions.
3. The Chase Creatures Challenge can be found under the 'Move Well' section.
4. To access the challenge, you need to watch the introduction video on the Move Well section.
5. Once you have watched the video, you are ready to take on the challenge.
6. Please also read the feedback form provided, so you are aware of the information we would like to collect from our testers when completing the challenge.

On site:

1. Staff will be based at Marquis Drive Visitor Centre on the testing day. If you have any questions.
2. The challenge begins at the RAF Hednesford Commemoration Stone at Marquis Drive.
3. Open up the Cannock Chase Can App and return to the Move Well section.
4. Open up the Chase Creatures AR Trail and 'commit to challenge'
5. Press 'start collecting' and agree to the prompts that show on your screen.
6. You can use the map on the screen to see where the creatures are located. The creatures are located along a circular route that leads back to the café at Marquis Drive.
7. Use your phone to 'collect the creatures', there are 12 to collect.
8. You will not need to leave the pathway to collect the creatures.
9. Can you collect all 12!



After the challenge:

1. Please complete the feedback form (available at the Visitor Centre) and let us know what you thought of the challenge and your experience.

Uniform

Please ensure that your child is bringing the **correct kit to school for PE**. This should consist of a plain, coloured top of their house (red, blue, green or yellow) and dark shorts/tracksuit bottoms. Children should also have suitable trainers for sports, not fashion trainers with thick soles etc.

Children **should not** wear belly tops to school for any occasion.

Please also note that chewing gum is **not allowed** in school.



Safeguarding

As a school, we continually strive to keep all pupils safe. It has come to our attention that several of our younger pupils are being dropped off early on both the Rosehill car park and playground before our doors open at 8.45am. These areas are not staffed prior to the doors opening and pupils should therefore remain in the care of their parent/guardian until they can safely enter school.



Household Fund

As a school, we are on the approved referrers list to be able to identify households that are facing financial hardship and those who are most in need.

Particularly those who may not be eligible for other government support that has been made available. Each household will benefit from a £65.00 supermarket voucher and £20.00 per additional dependent child or person they care for.

If you feel you may qualify for the household Fund, or are suffering financial hardship in these challenging times, please email cdowning@pga.greenheartlearning.org



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Come Dine with Me – Year 1



On Wednesday 17th
May, we are pleased

to announce our next 'Come Dine with Me' lunchtime experience for pupils in Year 1. A letter should have been sent out regarding this. If you do not have one, please speak to Year 1 staff.

Parents, please be aware the £3.00 cost of the parent meal must be paid for in full before we can serve the meal. This should be paid on My Child at School (MCAS). Any problems with your account, please contact the school office.

Please note we are no longer able to accept cash for these meals.

Summer Term Dates

4th May – New Nursery intake home visits
25th and 26th May – New Reception pupils home visits
19th - 23rd June Sports days
19th June - Open evening – New EYFS parents 4.30pm
21st June - Y6 Parent Lunch @ 11.30am
4th and 6th July – New Reception parent drop ins
5th and 12th July – Whole school transition afternoons
12th July – Y4 Bikeability Level 1 (further details will be sent out soon)
7th July - Reports to be sent out to all pupils
12th July - Meet the teacher evening Y1-Y6 4.30-4.55pm or 5.00-5.25pm
14th July – Whole school Family picnic starting at 1pm
17th and 19th July – Y6 Bikeability Level 2 (further details will be sent out soon)
18th July - Y6 Leaving Assembly
19th July - Y6 Prom
16th and 17th October – Y5 Bikeability Level 2 (further details will be sent out soon)

All timings will be confirmed in coming weeks

School Year 2022 to 2023

Summer Term 2023

Bank holiday Monday 8th May 2023 – school will be closed to all pupils.

Half Term: Monday 29th May 2023 to Friday 2nd June 2023

Friday 21st July 2023 - Last day of school year for children

Monday 24th July 2023 - Inset day, school closed to children

Tuesday 25th July 2023 - Inset day, school closed to children

Autumn Term 2023

Monday 4th September 2023 - Inset day, school closed to children

Tuesday 5th September 2023 - Inset day, school closed to children

Term starts: Wednesday 6th September 2023

Half Term: Monday 30th October - Friday 3rd November

Term ends: Friday 22nd December

Holiday: Monday 25th December - Friday 5th January

Friday 15th December - Inset day, school closed to children (**provisional tbc**)

Spring Term 2024

Monday 8th January - Inset day, school closed to children (**provisional tbc**)

Term Starts: Tuesday 9th January

Half Term : Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February

Term Ends: Friday 22nd March

Holiday: Monday 25th March – Friday 5th April

Summer Term 2024

Term Starts: Monday 8th April

May Day: Monday 6th May

Holiday: Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May

Term Ends: Friday 19th July

Monday 22nd July - Inset day, school closed to children (**provisional tbc**)

Holiday: Monday 22nd July – Friday 30th August

Week Three Date W/C 15/05/2023

Primary Menu Week 3	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY School Census	FRIDAY
Main Course (Red)	Breaded Cod Bites served with tomato ketchup or sweet chilli mayo	Beef Lasagne served with garlic bread	Roast Chicken served with Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Hot Dog	Chicken Nuggets served with tomato ketchup
Vegetarian Main Course (Green)	Quorn Chilli served with nachos	BBQ Quorn	Veggie Sausage in a Yorkshire Pudding	Veggie Bites	Pizza Cheese & Tomato
Yellow	No Jacket Potato option	No Jacket Potato option	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans
Vegetables	Rice, Potato Wedges, Garden Peas, Baked Beans	Potatoes Half Jacket Potato Sweetcorn, Green Beans	Roast & Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Cauliflower Cheese	Chips	Chips, half Jacket Potato, Sweetcorn, Baked Beans
Sandwich Option (Blue)	Ham Packed Lunch	Cheese Packed Lunch	Tuna Packed Lunch	Ham Packed Lunch	Cheese Packed Lunch
Dessert	Fruit Muffin	Chocolate Marble Sponge Chocolate Sauce	Ice-cream Tub	Creamy Ice-Cream Pot Or Chocolate Cookie	Cookie & Traybakes