



Pye Green Academy

# Newsletter

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023

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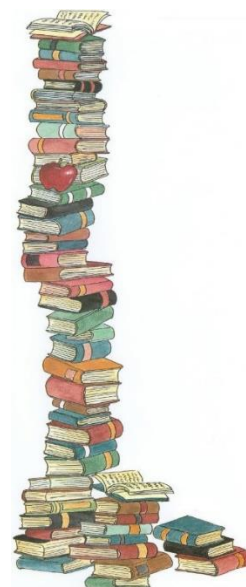
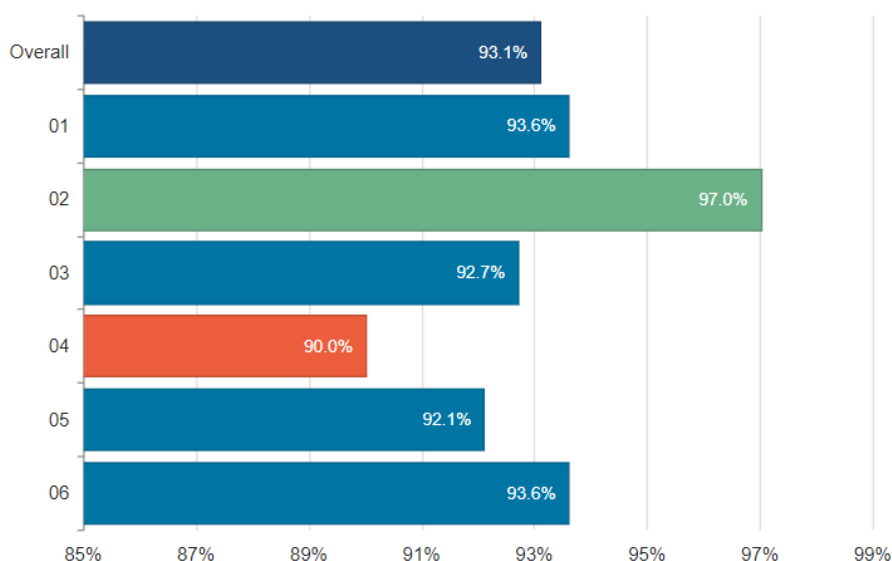
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Menu for week commencing  
10/07/2023 showing on last page  
newsletter

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## Attendance

Congratulations to **Year 2** for having the best attendance during this week with a fantastic **97%**  
Overall school attendance stands at **93.1%** this week, which is a decline on recent weeks.



Across school this term, **over a quarter of all absences (27.4%)** have been as a result of non-agreed term time holidays. Analysis of new Department for Education (DfE) data shows that 5,148,548 school days were lost due to “unauthorised term-time holidays” in the 2021/22 academic year.

Last week, I set both Year 2 and Year 5 the target to achieve attendance greater than 94%. Year 2, you smashed this target and all have a Headteacher sticker waiting for you on Monday. 😊 Well done.

Unfortunately, no other year groups achieved over 96% attendance this week. Who can do it next week?

## Celebration Assembly

Today, we held our Celebration Assembly with Year 4, 5 and 6 coming together to share the successes of their classmates.



**Congratulations to: - Paige D, Amber, Felicity, Isabella, Frankie, Jessica, Lucas, Leah, Leo, Finlay, Shannon, Toyah and Alishia**



## Year 6 Fiver Challenge

**MONDAY 10TH JULY**

**YEAR 6**

**Fiver CHALLENGE**

- ✓ Drinks
- ✓ Baked goods
- ✓ Sweets
- ✓ Tote Bags
- ✓ Bug Houses

**3.15pm → 3.45pm**

**Key Stage 2 Playground**

**A percentage of the profit will be donated to charity 😊**

**No card payments**  
**Prices range between 50p - £3.50**

As part of the Young Enterprise Fiver Challenge, Year 6 have been busy creating their own businesses and products. Each group has received £5 to spend on the resources and equipment they need in order to make their product.

On Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July, Year 6 will be selling their products on the Key Stage 2 playground between 3:15pm and 3:45pm. Any profit made from their sales will be shared between a chosen charity and the rest will be used for a 'treat' for Year 6.

### Sports Day Results 2023

Key Stage 1		
1 <sup>st</sup>	Blue	149
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Green	95
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Red	84
4 <sup>th</sup>	Yellow	70

Key Stage 2		
1 <sup>st</sup>	Yellow	162
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Green	153
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Red	88
4 <sup>th</sup>	Blue	85



### Dinner Money Price Increase and School Debts

From September 6th (the start of the new term) Shire Services, who provide our school meals, are increasing their prices to **£2.30 per pupil**. Please ensure that all MCAS account are sufficiently credited.

We are also aware that some families have increasing dinner money and Care Club debts. Mrs Snell has been contacting parents in recent weeks informing them of this and trying to arrange payment plans.

Significant, unpaid debts will result in pupils in Key Stage 2 being unable to have school meals and Care Club places being withdrawn for the new term.

Please contact school as soon as possible to arrange for all debts to be cleared by 19/07/2023.

### Summer Space Scheme

The Staffordshire Space Programme is blasting off on 31<sup>st</sup> July.

Hundreds of free activities are available during the summer break for 8–17 year olds.

The Space programme brings together public, voluntary and private sector organisations to provide fun, positive activities for young people to help increase their skills, improve their health and wellbeing and create opportunities, while also aiming to reduce levels of anti-social behaviour.



Further information can be found here <https://staffordshirespace.uk/>

### Term Time Holiday

Every moment in school counts and days missed add up quickly. Evidence shows that pupils who have good attendance at school perform better than those who don't.

There are only a few circumstances where a child is allowed to miss school, such as illness or where the school has given permission because of an exceptional circumstance.

However, if your child misses school without a good reason, local councils and school can intervene. In some cases, this might mean that parents receive a fine.



More information can be found below

<https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2023/05/11/fines-for-parents-for-taking-children-out-of-school-what-you-need-to-know/>

We are aware of several families who have recently been on holiday with the office being told the children are ill. This unfortunately then creates the situation which forces the child to lie on return to school and teaches our children that lying is acceptable. This is in direct opposition to our school values of trust and honesty. Please think carefully before creating these situations.



For those families with HAF codes, there are still spaces available at these sessions. Please scan the QR code to take you to the website.



### School Parking

Problems caused by inconsiderate and/or illegal parking in the vicinity of our school during morning drop-off and afternoon pick up are a constant cause of complaints.

Parking illegally or inconsiderately not only causes inconvenience to local residents and undermines the school's efforts to be a good neighbour but creates road safety issues, including danger to pedestrians crossing roads. To date it is extremely fortunate that no-one has been seriously injured (or worse) as a direct result of such bad parking but the potential for such an occurrence is ever present.



Please consider these issues when parking. This may mean parking a little further away from the school. In all cases, please ensure that you obey the following rules which form rule 243 of the Highway Code:-

DO NOT stop or park: -

- Near a school entrance
- Anywhere you would prevent access for emergency services
- At or near a bus
- Opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction except in an authorised parking space
- Near the brow of a hill
- Opposite a traffic island or (if this would cause an obstruction) another parked vehicle.
- Where a kerb has been lowered to help wheelchair users and powered mobility vehicles
- In front of an entrance to a property
- On a bend
- Where you would obstruct cyclists' use of cycle facilities except when forced to do so by stationary traffic.

Under no circumstances should vehicles stop or park on the yellow school "keep clear" markings on a pedestrian crossing or where they would interfere with a school crossing patrol.

By parking in a legal and considerate manner, congestion will be reduced, and safety increased along with enjoying the benefits of easy access to the school and enhancing the relationship of the school with its neighbours.

We have been in contact with our local PCSO, Highways Department, Clear Streets and our local MP Amanda Milling trying to help resolve all parking issues.

### Meet The Teacher

This year, we will be holding our open evening in school on  
**Wednesday 12th July from 3.30 until 5.30pm.**

During the evening, you will have the opportunity to look at your child's books if this is something you wanted to do (between **3.30-4.15pm**) and to talk to your child's current class teacher, who will be based in the classroom. This is an optional discussion for those parents who feel they want it.

There will then be the opportunity to meet with your child's new class teacher and learn more about what school life will be like for them in September. All sessions will take place in the specific year group class base.

Each year group will repeat the session twice to try and support families with more than one child in school. You only need to attend one session for that year group.

**September 2023**  
**Year 1 to Year 6 Meet the Teacher:**  
Session 1: 4.30 – 4.55  
Session 2: 5.00 – 5.25



### Summer Term Dates

12th July – Whole school transition afternoons

12<sup>th</sup> July – Y4 Bikeability Level 1 (further details will be sent out soon)

10th 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

17<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 Bikeability Level 2

18th July - Y6 Leaving Assembly 2pm

19th July - Y6 Prom

16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> October – Y5 Bikeability Level 2 (further details will be sent out soon)

# School Year 2022 to 2023

## Summer Term 2023

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

Monday 24th July 2023 - Inset day, school closed to children (INSET DAY 4)

Tuesday 25th July 2023 - Inset day, school closed to children (INSET DAY 5)

## New Academic Year

### Autumn Term 2023

Monday 4th September 2023 - Inset day, school closed to children (INSET DAY 1)

Tuesday 5th September 2023 - Inset day, school closed to children (INSET DAY 2)

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 22<sup>nd</sup> December - Inset day, school closed to children (INSET DAY 3)

**Please note this is a change of date.**

### Spring Term 2024

Monday 8th January - Inset day, school closed to children (INSET DAY 4 – TBC)

Term Starts: Tuesday 9th January

**Half Term : Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February**

Term Ends: Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March

**Holiday: Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April**

### Summer Term 2024

Term Starts: Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April

**May Day: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May**

**Holiday: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May**

Term Ends: Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July - Inset day, school closed to children (INSET DAY 5)

**Holiday: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August**

**Week One Date W/C 10/07/2023**

Primary Menu Week 1	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAYS
Main Course (Red)	Breaded Chicken Steak served with Katsu curry sauce	Beef Bolognaise	Roast Beef Served with Yorkshire pudding & gravy	BBQ Chicken Wrap served with Salad	Breaded Fish Fingers with tomato ketchup or sweet chilli mayo
Vegetarian Main Course (Green)	Pasta Neapolitan served with garlic bread	Cheese & Potato Pie	Quorn balls	Mac 'n' Cheese served with crusty bread	Pizza Cheese & tomato
Yellow	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans
Vegetables	Curly Fries, Sweetcorn, Carrots	Pasta, Garden Peas, Baked Beans	Roast & Mashed Potatoes Carrots Roasted Root Vegetables Cauliflower Cheese	Herby Diced potatoes, Broccoli, Sweetcorn	Chips, half jacket potato, Garden Peas, Baked beans
Sandwich Option (Blue)	Ham Packed Lunch	Cheese Packed Lunch	Tuna Packed Lunch	Ham Packed Lunch	Cheese Packed Lunch
Dessert	Freshly-made Flapjacks	Syrup Sponge & Custard	Ice-Cream Tub	Chocolate Brownie, Chocolate Sauce	Freshly made Muffins