

# Paddox Primary Newsletter 19 May 2023

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

I am the Pupil Premium Champion for Paddox Primary School and have the privilege of working with lots of different children who fall into this category. As part of my role, I monitor the data and attendance of Pupil Premium children and working alongside the Inclusion Team, help to ensure that relevant interventions are in place for those who are identified, to help the children achieve the best they can. One of our key priorities as a school, is to close the attainment gap for vulnerable learners.

What is the Pupil Premium fund? Every October, the government allocates a set amount of funding to schools for them to provide enrichment opportunities and additional support to pupils eligible for Pupil Premium.

What additional support might be available? As a school, we offer a wide range of academic and enrichment opportunities including: bespoke wellbeing support; 1:1 or small group academic interventions; funding towards school trips; funding towards uniform; invitation only extra-curricular clubs; stretch and challenge activities; funding for peripatetic music lessons, swimming lessons and more.

The Pupil Premium funding is also used by school to support high quality teaching through staff professional development and to purchase resources to help deliver the curriculum.

In addition to this, I also oversee School Led Tutoring which is another government catch-up scheme which was created in response to the Covid pandemic. This is targeted academic support for identified children outside of school hours to excel in learning.

How do I know if my child is eligible? In order to access Pupil Premium funding for your child, you will need to apply for Free School Meals through the following link:

https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals where you will find detailed information about eligibility requirements. It is really simple and straightforward to do.

If you any questions about my role, please do not hesitate to get in touch on the email ayris.s@welearn365.com<sup>1</sup>

Best wishes

Mrs S Ayris

Rugby in Bloom is celebrating the bicentenary of the birth of rugby football, the 200th anniversary of William Webb Ellis picking up the ball and running with it during a game of football at Rugby School. We are busy planning our Rugby in Bloom display competition entry and we would very much appreciate donations of seeds please. Last year we won the Silver Gilt award so we are going for gold this year!

### What's been happening in school this week?

This week, children across Year 6 visited Harry Potter Studios in Watford as part of both their post-SATs celebrations and to further enhance their English learning from spring term.

Upon arrival, everyone took part in a costume design workshop which allowed children to explore genuine costumes from all films. This session included allowing children to handle the costumes and to explore their features before designing their own costumes.

After, children toured the studios and saw a range of props and sets - including The Great Hall, Privet Drive and the Forbidden Forest. Some children also chose to experience a green-screen simulation of the train journey from Platform 9 ¾ to Hogwarts.

Of course, no trip would be complete without a visit to the gift shop at the end!

We were really proud of everyone across the year group. Every child demonstrated all our Paddox values throughout the trip and were a credit to the school.

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On Wednesday, 15 students took part in an orchestral experience at the Benn Hall. We began the afternoon with lunch in Caldecott Park, before participating in two 45-minute sessions, which led into a short performance for parents. The children were a credit to the school throughout the trip and it was great for them to experience playing their instruments with children from other local primary and secondary schools. The progress they made during the afternoon was outstanding! Well done all!



1 - Wow! The children have done an amazing job of producing high-quality, diverse pieces of artwork for our Coronation Art Gallery. Each year group was given an artist to concentrate on so that we have lots of different styles of portrait of our new monarch. The hall is full of incredible creativity in every direction. It was great to see people coming to admire the work on display - thank you for your time.

## P.E Update from Mrs Knight



The boys have played two games this week! They won 2-1 against Boughton Leigh and drew 1-1 against Long Lawford. I was very proud of how they played and pulled together as a team with some great passing and shots on target. Mr Russell was also super impressed with saves made by Elliot! Well done boys!

#### Information for our Paddox Families

Warwickshire County Council's **Education, Learning and Careers** section of their website is full of useful information as a parent / carer you may need in relation to your child's education. From information about School Admissions, Term Dates, Applying for free school meals or school transport, as well as information about Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) the website has comprehensive information - click here<sup>2</sup>

From a more general nationwide perspective, click here<sup>3</sup> to visit gov.uk's website about **Schooling and Education** covers sending a child to school, financial support and dealing with the school.



2 - Please click here<sup>4</sup> to complete the survey

# **Important Reminders**



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schools

<sup>3</sup>https://www.gov.uk/browse/childcare-parenting/schools-education

<sup>4</sup>https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/DO0PQ4/



**Late arrivals:** As of Tuesday 6 June, if your child does not arrive into class before **8:50am** each morning you and your child need to come to the front door and register their arrival at the office. They will receive a late mark in the register.

If you know your child will be late into school (due to medical appointments) please inform school in advance and confirm the colour choice for their school lunch. We need this to happen **before 9:30am** on the day otherwise you will need to provide your child with a packed lunch.

**School Lunch Menu** for next week is week 2; £2.30 per meal per day (or £11.50 per week). Click here<sup>5</sup> to see the school menu.

Please remember the price increase from 5 June to £2.42 per meal per day (or £12.10 per week) payable in advance on Pay 360 Education Payments<sup>6</sup> or cash only to the school office.

Just a quick reminder about being allergy-aware - we are nut free in order to protect some of our children - thank you so much for your help with this.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>https://www.paddoxprimary.com/attachments/download.asp?file=5992

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>https://www.pay360educationpayments.com

# **Dates for your diary**



Changing Me Week: Monday 22-Friday 26 May

Year 4 Camp Out: Thursday 25-Friday 26 May

Half term is Monday 29 May-Friday 2 June inclusive plus a Teacher Training day on Monday 5 June - children will return to school on **Tuesday 6 June** 

Protective Behaviours Week: Tuesday 6-Friday 9 June

Parent Council Meeting: Thursday 8 June

All Summer Term dates are uploaded onto our school calendar on our website - please click here<sup>7</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>https://www.paddoxprimary.com/calendar/?calid=3&pid=3&viewid=28