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Paddox Primary Newsletter 23 June 2023

Dear parents / carers

I hope you have had a good week. The weather is certainly keeping us on our toes - I must remember that sometimes wellies are necessary for drive duty in June! With two trips and another charity event on this week, the calendar is as full as always. I hope everyone saw my letter in relation to transition on 5th July; please double check if you think you've missed it. Wishing you a lovely weekend and we will see you on Monday ready for the last week of June!

Best wishes

Kate Guymer - Headteacher

A week in numbers

We thought we'd give you a snapshot of a week at Paddox with some interesting statistics about this week:

- 1916 school dinners served
 - 529 parents signed up to ParentApps Connect
 - 272 children attended an event not in school (Brownlee Triathlon, Ashmolean Museum, Warwick Castle)
 - 174 late arrivals recorded
 - 142 children attended one of our teacher-led afterschool clubs
 - 96% overall attendance
 - 39 children either left school early or came to school late due to various appointments (e.g. drs, dentist etc)
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What's been happening in school this week?



1 - A huge thank you to those who came along to buy Hama bead cards for the Year 2 Responsible Active Citizenship Fundraiser. We made £123.75 for the Air Ambulance!

Feedback trial

This week, we have embarked on a new journey with regards to the verbal and written feedback provided to the children during and after lessons. The aim of the trial is to ensure the feedback provided is purposeful for the children to move their learning on either within the lesson itself, or by highlighting key themes within a lesson to review at the start of the following lesson. This will allow teaching staff to provide more live verbal feedback within the lesson and then spend more time adapting resources for the following lesson. In order to be effective as possible, we are trialling three new approaches to written feedback across school. One approach is adapted from our current feedback policy and the other two are different approaches which involve reduced written feedback in the children's books.

Following the trial period, staff will be feeding back to senior leaders to identify the most effective feedback approach for the children which will be fully implemented ready for the new academic year in September.



2 - On Tuesday 20 June, Year 3 visited the Ashmolean Museum in Oxford to view their comprehensive Ancient Egypt collection. As we are at the start of our topic, the children were excited to learn about aspects of the civilisation first hand by exploring the artefacts displayed. After a dash to the coach in the torrential rain and a journey down the M40, we arrived in Oxford and got straight to it! The children were brilliant detectives who moved around the museum respectfully to find information about the artefacts. We also took part in a workshop which was led by a specialist from the museum. She shared detailed information about the different sections of the collection and how they compared to us today, including jewellery, games, hunting equipment, and decorations. The children even got the chance to handle an artefact where they used their detective skills to work out what the original object was. Finally, we visited the two Ancient Egyptian mummies they have at the museum – the most elaborate being one of a priest who had three decorative layers to his coffin. Overall, we had a fantastic time at the museum which has provided an insightful start to our new topic!

Water Extravaganza!



Years 1 to 6 are invited to Year 3's charity event in aid of Hope Rugby on Tuesday 27 June which is titled – WATER EXTRAVAGANZA!

We welcome you to make a small donation to take part in water games including water pistol target practise, a wild-west showdown, and water pistol battle royale!

Ask an adult to bring your water pistol to school at the end of the day, then head to the field to take part. See you there!

Midday Supervisor vacancies



If you're interested in becoming a Midday Supervisor at Paddox Primary school please contact Mrs Randall - randall.a@welearn365.com¹

¹<https://randall.a@welearn365.com>

Important Reminders



We are striving to be a **healthy school**. Please ensure that any snacks brought into school are in keeping with this aim. Chocolate bars, sweets and soft drinks should not be in children's bags or packed lunches. We are seeing an increase in the number of these items that children are bringing in to school. Please also remember we are a NUT and SESAME FREE allergy this includes all snacks and packed lunches at school or when out on school events or trips.

*It has been brought to our attention that the formula of Nivea Sun kids 50+ Protect and Care Suncream has changed and now contains **almond oil** (prunus amygdalus dulcis oil). For the benefit of all children and staff, some of which have severe allergies to ingredients in this product, we ask that you do not send your child / children into school wearing this suncream. Many thanks for your support.*

School Lunch Menu: the menu next week will be number **1** but we are having a **Food History Day** menu on Wednesday and a **World Food Day** on Thursday as part of our Celebration of Humanities. Monday, Tuesday and Friday menus will be week 1. These two special menus have been uploaded to ParentApp Connect and our website - [click here](#)²

The cost is now **£2.42 per meal** per day (or **£12.10 per week**) payable **in advance** on Pay 360 Education Payments³ or cash only to the school office.

All menus can be found within ParentApps Connect within Meals Menu.

ParentApps Connect: Thank you again for so many parents signing up to the new app. We only have 50 parents not yet using the app. Please do let us know what other content you would like to see within the app.

²<https://www.paddoxprimary.com/page/?title=School+Menu&pid=14&action=saved>

³<https://www.pay360educationpayments.com/>

The ongoing issue with the newsletter link for Android users is still ongoing so we are uploading a PDF version as well as the live link until this is resolved.

Please remember to check your own device settings and ensure you have App Notifications turned on so you can be alerted to messages being sent. Unless it is an urgent message, e.g. your child has not registered at school that day, (which we would send a direct text message to you) **all** communications are being sent via the App (and Class specific updates via Class Dojo).

Information for Paddox Families



Be the best you can be!

BILTON SCHOOL

Ofsted quote

"Relationships between staff and pupils are very positive"

"Leaders have high expectations of what pupils can achieve"

"Pupils celebrate and are respectful of diversity and understand the importance of treating others fairly and with kindness"

We have Open Mornings for any parents of Year 5 students who would now like to come to Bilton in September 2024.

Open Morning
Monday 10th July to Wednesday 12th July
Monday to Wednesday from 11th to 27th September
9.30am - 11.00am

An opportunity to:

- Tour our facilities
- Meet Tim Chambers, Headteacher
- Talk to staff and students

Tours by appointment only, to book a tour please email way.h@stowevalley.com

Bilton School is part of the Stowe Valley Multi Academy Trust, led by the outstanding Southam College.

Open Evening
Tuesday 26th September 2023
5.30pm - 8.30pm

"As the Headteacher I am committed to making Bilton School a learning environment where students will not only meet their academic targets, but will also become true 21st century learners."

Headteacher, Tim Chambers

"There is such a great atmosphere at Bilton with fantastic teachers to help you achieve."

Student at Bilton

"My recent visit to the school was really personal and informative, I'd definitely recommend it."

Prospective Parent

"As a teacher in the school I know how hard-working the staff are. I wanted my son to go to our local school and take advantage of all the opportunities that Bilton School offer."

Teacher at Bilton

"We are so impressed with the support that Bilton has given us so far, we cannot speak any more highly of you all"

Current parent

 Stowe Valley Multi Academy Trust
Registered Office: Southam College, Wolth Road West, Southam, Warwickshire, CV47 0JW
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3 - Year 5 parents - please click [here](#)⁴ to book your place at Bilton School Open Evening and Morning

This week, Warwickshire County Council in partnership with Warwickshire Parent Carer Voice, hosted a free webinar on for parents and carers to learn about the support available for neurodivergent children and young people and to hear the latest developments around the local all-age autism strategy.

This event is the latest in a series of webinars which aims to offer informative sessions for families on a range of topics focusing on support for children and young people with special educational needs and

⁴<https://forms.office.com/e/wiy589FJYK>

disabilities (SEND). You can view previous webinars online here⁵ – these include preparing your child for moving schools, direct payments and CWRISE.

You can find out more about, and contact, the Community Autism Support Service (CASS) by:

- Calling the dedicated local-dial telephone support line (024) 76 012333 – five days a week (Monday–Friday), 8am–8pm
- Visiting the CASS website⁶ for information, guidance, signposting links and online referral.
- Emailing navigation@casspartnership.org.uk⁷
- Following @casspartnership on Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn

Read more about the All-Age Autism Strategy here.⁸



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Visit: whizzpopbang.com/3SCH23
Use code: 3SCH23 at checkout.

The advertisement features a yellow background with a sunburst pattern. At the top left is the 'AWARD-WINNING SCIENCE MAGAZINE' logo. To its right is a red oval with a dashed border containing the text 'TRY 3 ISSUES FOR £5'. Below this is a bulleted list of magazine features. At the bottom, three magazine covers are displayed: 'SPACE TRAIL', 'I LOVE SCIENCE', and 'THE GREAT ANIMAL TRACKER'. A small rocket icon is on the left, and a circular logo with 'Whizz Pop Bang!' is on the right.

4 - A special offer from Whizz Pop Bang!

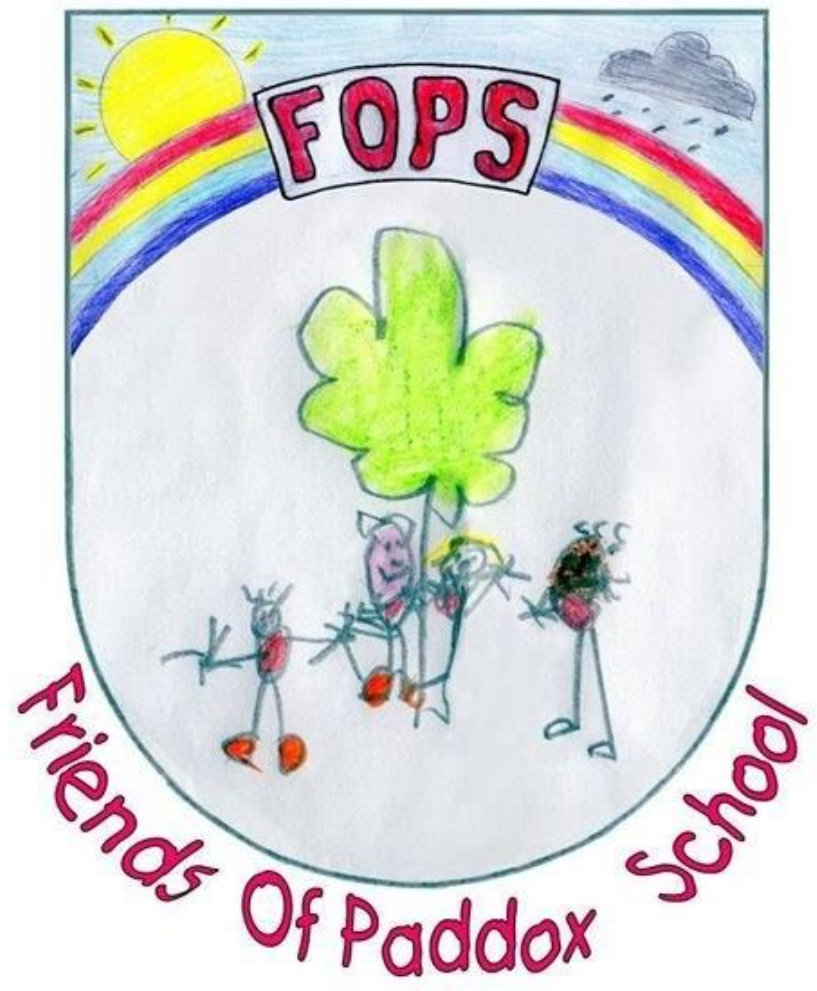
⁵<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/get-involved-say>

⁶<https://casspartnership.org.uk/>

⁷<mailto:navigation@casspartnership.org.uk>

⁸<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/allageautismstrategy>

Update from Friends of Paddox School (FOPS)



Put the date **Friday 7 July** in your calendar!

The FOPS Summer Fair is on only two weeks away! This year it's bigger and better than ever and entry is **free**, so head to the field after school and join us for some fantastic summer fun! Please see the letter sent out today and the FOPS Facebook page for more details. Some stalls and attractions will take card payments but others will be cash only, so start saving your change!

Summer fair day is also non uniform day in exchange for tombola items: drinks (including alcohol), luxury food items, toiletries etc. Please send something in with your child on the day and help make our tombola fabulous!

Tickets for our Big Summer Raffle have been sent home today. Please buy or sell them if you're able to and return the stubs and money to the school office by summer fair day, Friday 7 July. The draw will take place on Monday 10 July. Our grateful thanks go to all of the prize sponsors for this year's raffle.

In other news, the green clothes bank was emptied again this week, raising £72 and bringing the total so far since it arrived in January to an impressive £419.60. Can we make £500 by the end of term?

The final uniform sale of this school year will take place on Wednesday 5 July, from 3.00-3.45pm in the dining room. It will also be available during the day for parents and carers of incoming reception children when they come to school for their induction day visit.

Friends Of Paddox School
Big Summer Raffle!
Prizes Sponsored By:

Sweet Treats, RHEAMS Plumbing & Heating, CAFE VIN CINQ, SASS style, COMPASS CABS OF RUGBY, YOU TEAS, Teazy Loops, BESPOKE HAIRDRESSING, HUNT'S, Terracotta, Flowers BY PAULINE LTD, WILKO, G-FORCE MARTIAL ARTS SCHOOLS, Rare Finds, Paddox Cycles, kelsy living, Bugby UNWRAPPED

Tickets On Sale Now!
Draw takes place on 10th July 2023

Summer Prize Draw
1st Prize: £150 Cash
2nd Prize: £50 Cash
3rd Prize: £30 Cafe Vin Cinq Voucher
Plus many more fabulous prizes!

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Update from The Orchard Before and Afterschool Club



6 - The children at The Orchard have enjoyed lots of different activities but especially focusing on Minibeasts. We have been on Minibeast hunts, made lots of crafty creepy crawlies and insects using different media.

As per your contract with The Orchard, parents not booking by 10am on a Friday morning for the week ahead will incur the flexi rate of charges. These bookings will be added to your School Money account when bookings are added manually. If you have missed the booking deadline you **must** contact The Orchard (aldridge.s@welearn365.com⁹ and chakrabarty.s1@welearn365.com¹⁰ and westgate.k@welearn365.com¹¹ or call 07769 958375) in advance to check if The Orchard can accommodate your request and to make the booking. Unless a booking is made, a child cannot go to The Orchard.

⁹<mailto:aldridge.s@welearn365.com>

¹⁰<mailto:chakrabarty.s1@welearn365.com>

¹¹<mailto:westgate.k@welearn365.com>

Dates for your diary



Year 3 Responsible Active Citizenship Fundraising: Water Extravaganza Tuesday 27 June - 320pm-430pm

Bex Rayner, Sheffield United Football player visits Paddox: Thursday 29 June - **all** children to wear trainers and either historical figure fancy dress (as per the Year of Humanities letter sent home) or school P.E kit.

Year of Humanities Celebrations Days: Thursday 29 and Friday 30 June - please read the letter sent home earlier this week about optional historical figure fancy dress (wearing trainers) on Thursday 29 June and inviting parents/carers into school on Friday 30 June from 3pm.

Individual children catch up swimming lessons: Monday 3-Friday 14 July

Whole School Transition Day: Wednesday 5 July - please see the letter sent to all parents this week (on ParentApps Connect)

FOPS Summer Fair, Make £5 Grow (Year 6) and Whole School Non Uniform Day: Friday 7 July - 330pm-6pm

This non uniform day is in exchange for tombola items: drinks (including alcohol), luxury food items, toiletries etc. Please send something in with your child **on the day - 7 July 2023**.

Please see the amended details below regarding the summer discos (as per the ParentApps Connect message sent earlier this week)

Reception Summer Disco: Tuesday 11 July - 230pm-315pm

Year 1 and Year 2 Summer Disco: Tuesday 11 July - 330pm-430pm

Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5 Summer Disco: Tuesday 11 July - 5pm-630pm

Year 6 End of Year Performance: Wednesday 12 July - 2pm and 7pm and Thursday 13 July - 7pm

Whole School Reports sent home to parents: Friday 14 July

Year 3 and Year 4 Sports morning: Tuesday 18 July 9am-11am

Year 5 and Year 6 Sports afternoon: Tuesday 18 July 1pm-3pm

Reception Sports morning: Thursday 20 July 9am-11am

Year 6 Disco and Leavers Picnic: Thursday 20 July 330pm

The last day of Summer Term and this academic year is Friday 21 July 2023 - normal school hours (850am-320pm).

Please note Monday 24 and Tuesday 25 July 2023 are Teacher Training Days and school is closed to all children.

Friday 1 and Monday 4 September 2023 are also Teacher Training Days and school is closed to all children.

*School will reopen to children on **Tuesday 5 September 2023** (gates open 840am - ready for the start of the day at 850am)*

All Summer Term dates are uploaded onto our school calendar on our website - please click here¹² and within **ParentsApp Connect**.

¹²<https://www.paddoxprimary.com/calendar/?calid=3&pid=3&viewid=28>