

Paddox Primary Newsletter 30 June 2023

Dear parents / carers

Lots of dates coming up to keep an eye out for and our important transition day next week which we have already shared information about. Just for information: on Wednesday 12th July, I am not able to be at the Year 6 performance as I am supporting the Year 3 and 4 concert with Mrs Pearson but am very much looking forward to seeing it on 13th. Please remember too that next Friday 7th July is another day of potential strike action. Our plan remains as before; we will notify you by 7.30 on the morning to let you know if school is affected and if so, in what way. Nigel Green is now no longer working as one of our caretakers and we are in the process of recruiting his replacement. On a different note, we are always seeking to give our children lots of opportunities to read. If you have a couple of hours to spare when you would be interested in volunteering in school to do this in September, please let us know as it would be amazing to have more time to give to this. Finally, after a fabulous first day of celebrations of our Year of Humanities yesterday, I am very much looking forward to some of you joining us very shortly for day two of the celebrations. If you are not able to come, we look forward to sharing some photographs with you. I wish you a lovely weekend.

What's been happening in school this week?



1 - Last week, Year 2 went to visit Warwick Castle as part of their history learning. They had a fantastic day touring around the castle, watching the working trebuchet, learning to be knights and they even watched the Zog show!

On Wednesday 12 July, we will be taking 115 children from Years 2, 3 and 4 to participate in a concert with other local schools at Rugby School's Temple Speech Rooms. The timings are as follows:

Year 2 concert- 4:15 - 6pm

Year 3 and 4 concert - 7-8:45pm

Ticket prices: £5 adults, £3 concessions

If you wish to purchase tickets for our concert, please send in money in a named envelope to the school office. All proceeds will go to our school. It should be an amazing event and we hope to see many of you there supporting us!

A week in numbers

Here are the numbers for this week:

- 2,072 school dinners served
- 123 late arrivals recorded (totalling 828 minutes of missed time in class)
 - 94.57% overall attendance
- 34 children either left school early or came to school late due to various appointments (e.g. drs, dentist etc)

P.E Update from Mrs Knight



2 - Rugby Athletics Championships

What a bunch of absolute superstars! To be selected for a team amongst a large school of talented children is an achievement enough but this crew absolutely smashed it at the Rugby Schools Athletics Championships last Friday! To add to this, Paddox brought home 14 medals equalling last years haul! A special mention for Betsy who brought home two gold medals! What a huge achievement!

- Betsy gold x 2 long jump and 75m
- Baz gold 75m
- Isaac gold 600m
- Amelia gold 600m
- Elliott gold long jump
- Charlie H silver high jump
- Sammy bronze howler throw
- Torin silver howler
- Lily H bronze howler throw
- Jayden silver high jump
- Vacheron bronze- howler throw
- Ronnie bronze howler throw
- Sonny bronze long jump
- Safiya, Nawfal, Alexa, Ellie and Elliott also made the sprint finals!
- Vacheron, Lily O, Zahra, Elissa, Oliver D, Karam, Hasini, Ethan B, Amy, Archie, Xuqi, Shenu, Freddie, Jude, Louie, Jack T, Jack L, Iris, Esmae, Caitlin, Alice, Leo, Bella, Holly S and Riley also fought their absolute hardest in their events to do Paddox proud, many taking fourth position!

What also made me super proud was the support they gave to each other and their gratitude and manners. It was a pleasure to have guided them through the training and competing process. Well done to every single one of you!



3 - Paddox played a football fixture against Dunchurch last week and were on fine form...for the first half! By half time they were 3 - 0 up but by the final whistle lost 4 - 3. Lots of lessons to be learnt but as ever they demonstrated some excellent football and teamwork skills. Thank you to Mr Pulham and Mr Pinnock for their refereeing and coaching support!









Wow! What a day it was when Bex Raynor from Sheffield United came to visit on Thursday! She truly was an inspiration and talked to the children passionately about women's football and the determination needed to reach whatever their goals might be. The children loved taking part in circuit exercises with Bex, asking her thoughtful questions and getting autographs! Your total sponsorship money raised £864.39 which will contribute to Bex's training and resources for Paddox.

Important Reminders



School Lunch Menu: the menu next week will be number **2** - all menus are within the Meals Menu section of ParentApps Connect

The cost is £2.42 per meal per day (or £12.10 per week) payable in advance on Pay 360 Education Payments¹ or cash only to the school office. £36.30 will pay for meals everyday through to the end of term.

As we approach the last few weeks of term please ensure any overdue balances are settled on or before **Monday 17 July**.

Pay 360 Education Payments is no longer being continued as a product from the end of this academic year. We will update you in due course as to how school dinners will be in paid from September onwards.

¹https://www.pay360educationpayments.com/

Up to date contact details: Please make sure you are notifying school (via email to admin2625@welearn365.com²) if your contact details have changed. This includes change of address, telephone numbers (including home, mobile and work numbers) and email addresses. Alternatively, you can use Sims Parent Lite³ to make your changes yourself which will feed into our database at school.

Vehicles within school: Please remember the only vehicles permitted into school are people picking up children from The Orchard. We kindly remind drivers the speed limit is 4mph. Vehicles are not allowed onsite to collect children from **any** afterschool clubs. Please ensure you park safely and walk onto the school site. The driveway is closed to **all** vehicles between 840am-9am every morning and 310pm - 330pm every afternoon. Thank you for your support with this.

Information for Paddox Families



Enjoy the outdoors but 'be tick aware'



4 - Enjoy the outdoors but 'be tick aware'.

A parent has notified school that their own child was bitten by a tick last week. Please read the information attached so you know what to do and what to look for should you or anyone you're out with be bitten.

²mailto:admin2625@welearn365.com

³https://www.sims-parent.co.uk

A message from Rugby Art Gallery and Museum:

Our new Kapow Exhibition: The Art of Making Comics and Film is now open and there are several workshops and summer events that your school and children might like to get involved with.









ILEAP has teamed up with the Riding for Disabled HQ at Lowlands Farm for an afterschool club to build your confidence around our equine friends and learn to ride.

Half of the hour session will be focused on learning to ride RDA's specially trained horses, following an initial assessment on the mechanical horse. The other half will help to build confidence by following an RDA approved enrichment programme, empowering members with knowledge about how to care for horses, how to look after them and groundwork.

There are only 6 spaces available so book now to avoid dissapointment!

Research has suggested that spending time with animals in an outdoor environment is beneficial to mental health and wellbeing.





ILEAP AND RDA LEARN2RIDE; AGES 8 YRS+

TUESDAYS, 4.15PM - 5.15PM 18TH JULY - 22ND AUGUST AND 5TH SEPTEMBER -3IST 0CTOBER 2023

RDA NATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE LOWLANDS FARM OLD WARWICK ROAD SHREWLEY CV35 TAX

£15.00 PER SESSION

PARENTS ARE REQUESTED TO PLEASE STAY ON SITE, PLENTY OF SEATS AND FREE PARKING. BRING A COFFEE AND HAVE A CHAT!

WWW.ILEAP.CO.UK EMAIL: SPARKLE@ILEAP.CO.UK

PARTICIPATE IN THIS SESSION, PLEASE REGISTER WITH ILEAP AND BOOK ONTO THE SESSIONS VIA OUR EASY TO USE WEBSITE. WWW.ILEAP.CO.UK

5 - Learn to Ride with ILEAP (Inclusive Leisure Education Activity Project)

Please click here⁴ to read more about ILEAP

Update from The Orchard Before and Afterschool Club

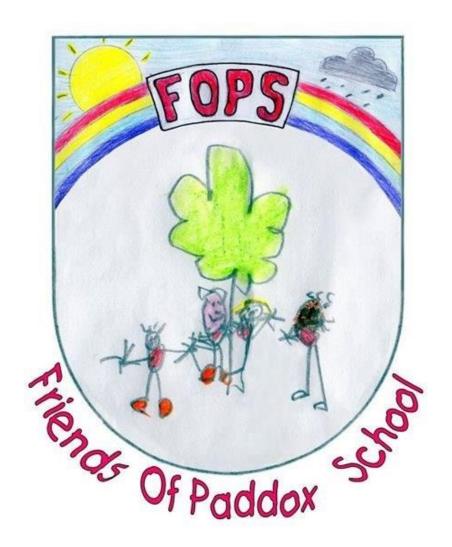


⁴https://www.ileap.co.uk



6 - The children at The Orchard explore lots of different fun activities during their sessions.

Update from Friends of Paddox School (FOPS)



There's just one week to go until the summer fair and we're all very excited! With everything from pizza to alpacas and tombola to virtual reality, there's going to be something for everyone!

Thank you to all of you who have already sold your raffle tickets and returned the money. Just a reminder that all ticket stubs and money need to be back at school by next Friday. You can drop them into the office or give them to us on the raffle stall at the fair. If you want to buy or sell more tickets, the office have spares you can go in and collect.

Next Friday is also non uniform day for the summer fair. Please bring in an item for the tombola – bottles of all kinds are very welcome, or anything else you or your child would be happy to win!

Final reminder for #tenhours cards! If you and your family have completed your card, please hand it to the office first thing Monday morning so it can be entered into next week's prize draw.



Dates for your diary



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

Year 4 Cricket Festival: Tuesday 4 July - afternoon within the school day

Whole School Transition Day: Wednesday 5 July - please see the letter sent to all parents (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.**

Summer Discos:

- 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 2 Concert (only children who have chosen to be part of the concert attend): Wednesday 12 July - 415pm performance

Year 3 and Year 4 Concert (only children who have chosen to be part of the concert attend): Wednesday 12 July - 7pm performance start (630pm arrival for children).

Tickets available to purchase from the school office - please see letter sent (on ParentApps Connect) about afterschool rehearsals at school and specific arrangements on the day

Year 6 Bikeability Course at school(selected children only): Friday 7 July, Tuesday 11 July, Thursday 13 July and Thursday 20 July - 9am - 1115am each morning. The children will need their bike and helmet on all four of these days.

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 5 Athletics Festival: Friday 14 July (morning only)

Sports Morning/Afternoon:

• 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 1 and Year 2 Sports afternoon: Thursday 20 July 1pm-3pm

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 here⁵ and within **ParentsApp Connect.**

⁵https://www.paddoxprimary.com/calendar/?calid=3&pid=3&viewid=28