

Paddox Primary Newsletter 7 July 2023

Dear parents / carers,

Just two weeks left of term - time is flying! I hope your child enjoyed their transition day on Wednesday. It was great to welcome all the new members of staff and to get a flavour of what life will be like in September. Year 6 coped with their displaced day very well and we are delighted that most of them will get their own transition experience on Monday 10th.

If you are joining us for the Summer Fair, we look forward to welcoming you later and many thanks for all the donations this morning.

I hope you enjoy a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Kate Guymer - Headteacher



1 - Today is our Summer Fair - join us on the field from 330pm until 6pm today!

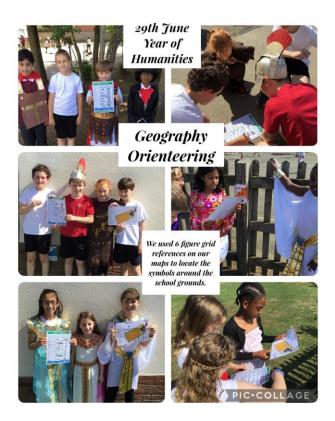
What's been happening in school this week?

We had a great time celebrating our **Year of Humanities** last Thursday and Friday. Mrs Pearson and Miss Key were very pleased to give out lots of Humanities stickers (designed by students) for great work throughout the two days.

On day 1, we created a whole-school human timeline and completed various activities throughout the day, including a history quiz using our brand-new corridor timeline. The historical time period costumes were amazing! Thanks to all who dressed up.Using our Geography skills, every class also had the chance to complete an orienteering challenge around the school grounds. It was great fun and the children showed great teamwork skills.

On day 2, we enjoyed creating a class museum/exhibition to showcase our current history or geography topic. It was lovely to share our learning with other children and parents in the afternoon. Thanks to all who came and made this a great success!





On Monday afternoon, five Year 6 children represented Paddox in the National Finals of the Quiz Club Mathematical Knowledge Competition at Oxford University.

The children all demonstrated incredible determination, teamwork and problem solving skills to overcome some extremely challenging problem solving questions.

A huge well done to Peehu, Chandana, Dev, Aman and Dreesh for all of their hard work and achievements over the past couple of months of competition.





A week in numbers

Here are the numbers for this week:

- 2,079 school dinners served
- 102 late arrivals recorded (totalling 725 minutes of missed time in class)
 - 96.88% overall attendance
- 33 children either left school early or came to school late due to various appointments (e.g. drs, dentist etc)

Important Reminders



ParentApps Connect: Thank you to the hundreds of parents who have activated their accounts - less than 20 families throughout the whole school remain inactive - we will be reinviting all of these again to try and get everyone on board before the end of term!

Please remember to check your own device settings and ensure you **Allow Notifications** so you can be alerted to messages being sent.

All afterschool clubs have now finished for the summer term - more details will follow regarding afterschool clubs for the new academic year.

School Lunch Menu: the menu next week will be number **3** - all menus are within the Meals Menu section of ParentApps Connect.

The cost of a school lunch 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. **£24.20** will pay for meals everyday through to the end of term.

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 paid from September onwards. Any balances remaining will be transferred to the new system; if you're child is leaving school, refunds will be processed after the end of term.

¹https://www.pay360educationpayments.com/

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

Nut Free and Sesame Seed Free Zone: Please may we remind all parents that Paddox is a NUT FREE and SESAME SEED FREE ZONE. We do not allow these items in school. **This also applies to any school trips that take place and require your child to bring a packed lunch.** We have an increasing number of children with severe allergies to nuts and/or sesame seeds.

The items that should not come into school include nut based spreads like peanut butter, hazelnut spreads and snacks (e.g. Nutella), almond butter/spread, cashew butter/spread and salads that may have nuts or seeds included in them, as well as sesame seed snacks (e.g. Sesame Snaps, sesame bagels)*. Please make sure that your child is not bringing nut based or sesame seed products to school in their lunch boxes. *Please note this list is not exhaustive.

We have seen an increase in 'Prime' bottles coming into school as children's water bottles. This is causing an increased distraction for them and so we are asking children to stop bringing these in. Many thanks for your understanding in this matter.

Information from Connect for Health - your school nursing service



Please click here² to read the Connect for Health (C4H) July health and well being update.

In partnership with Warwickshire Wildlife Trust, Connect for Health have created a pack full of ideas for games and activities families can do outside that you can access. Also find links to green spaces in Warwickshire that you can explore with family and friends.

Warwickshire Educational Psychology Service School transition support

The Educational Psychology Service have produced a series of videos to help support parents and children during transition to another school (moving to reception, primary and secondary).

²https://www.compass-uk.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/July-

newsletter.pdf?utm_source=WSHWBS&utm_campaign=9d2afdafb4-

April Newsletter Professionals COPY 01&utm medium=email&utm term=0 f00493dc86-9d2afdafb4-507357149 Click here³ to view their website and their school transition videos.



2 - Change Makers are running weekly workshops throughout July supporting parents with children who display fussy eating behaviours. The workshop will cover the Eatwell Guide, top tips and practical advice on reducing fussy eating behaviours. The workshop will be one hour long and will be on zoom. The workshop is free to access.

If you would like to join, please contact 03300 245 204 whereby you can book the workshop.

Information for Paddox Families



Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

SAINSBURYS CAFES Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE Two children under 16 can get a free

breakfast every day with one paying adult! THE REAL GREEK Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for

Kids eat free with a purchase of 60p+ from

Mon 24th July - Fri 1st September 2023

every £10 spent by an adult

TABLE TABLE Two children under 16 can get a free

breakfast every day with one paying adult! TRAVELODGE

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays & up to 2 Kids get free breakfast with 1 adult breakfast

PREMIER INN

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids'

mains are £1 with every adult meal. IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

BILLS

2 kids eat FREE all day, every day from Monday 24th July - Friday 1st Sept 2023

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

WHITBREAD INNS Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every

adult breakfast purchased SA BRAINS PUBS

Children can eat for £1 with any adult main. Valid All Day Wednesdays

FUTURE INNS

Under 12's eat for free with any adult meal. During the school holidays PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink

FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm YO! SUSH

From Mon 17th of July until Fri 11th of Aug kids eat free with every £10 adult spend TO BE CONFIRMED

M&S and Farmhouse Inns

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³https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/educationalpsychology?utm_source=WSHWBS&utm_campaign=9d2afdafb4-April Newsletter Professionals COPY 01&utm medium=email&utm term=0 f00493dc86-9d2afdafb4-507357149

3 - Information about high street places where children eat free (or for £1) during the summer holidays has been circulating on social media - we thought we'd include the details that Money Saving Central has published.

St Nicholas Church⁴ in Willoughby have asked us to share the following information about their upcoming Heritage Weekend. They have a Viking re enactment group attending all weekend for children to learn more about many aspects of Viking life.

Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 July - 11am - 4pm

St Nicholas Church, Brooks Close, Willoughby CV23 8BY

All weekend activities include:

Stalls with crafts, Svartland Vikings, Bar Refreshments, Children's crafts/archery/games/jousting and a raffle.

In addition:

Saturday: have a go at bell ringing (1030am and 1115am), Tudor lady here all day with a show at 2pm and medieval moat tours from 12pm (£2 cost)

Sunday: Songs of Praise at 11am with the children's choir, teddies parachuting off the tower from 1215pm, Morris Dancing 2pm and 3pm and hoopla man with circus tricks 1pm to 3pm.

⁴https://www.stnicholaswilloughby.co.uk/whats-on/heritage-weekend/15-july-2023

Dates for your diary



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 of the concerts

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
Tickets available to purchase from the school office - please see letter sent (on ParentApps Connect)
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