

Dear Parents,

We have enjoyed another busy week in school this week.

On Wednesday, Caroline from the NSPCC visited school and all children from Year 1 up to Year 6 met Buddy the mascot in a 'Speak Out, Stay Safe!' assembly. Children in Years 5 and 6 then completed a class workshop with Caroline where a whole range of topics were discussed, including online safety. If you would like any support or guidance about parental controls for online devices please come and ask.



Year 6 have enjoyed a magical Friday with their Harry Potter WOW day. I have seen some wonderful costumes and they have all enjoyed making their wands this afternoon!

Harry Potter

Year 6 also welcomed Mrs Davies, Deputy Head teacher at King Edward VI Balaam Wood Academy today. Mrs Davies spoke to the children about life at Balaam Wood and extended an invitation for you and your children to visit them during their prospective Year 7 Open Events. The information can be found on the back of the newsletter.

Year group newsletters have been sent home this week. These newsletters contain important information and key dates for each year group. Mr Williams has introduced these newsletters to further improve communication between school and home. If you do not get a newsletter, or you misplace it, please pop in to the office where we can give you an additional copy.

The children continue to look smart in their school uniform, thank you for your ongoing support with this matter. We have noticed a few children beginning to wear trainers which is not part of the school uniform. Children are expected to wear school shoes at all times, unless they have brought in trainers to change in to at playtime. Please ensure all uniform is named so that lost property can be returned to its rightful owner.

As the weather begins to change, please make sure your child has a suitable coat in school. We try to get the children out at lunchtimes unless it is raining so that they can have some fresh air and run around.

Thank you for your continued support. I hope that you have a wonderful weekend.

Miss Kelly
Deputy Head Teacher

Friday 27th September, 2019

DIARY DATES

Monday 7th October

Flu Vaccination Reception – Yr 5

Monday 14th October

6A – Harry Potter Trip

Thursday 17th October

6D – Harry Potter Trip

Friday 25th October

School closes for half term

Tuesday 5th November

Children back to school

Wednesday 6th & Thursday 7th November

Parents' evenings



Competition Time

All the children have received a competition form this week to create a WOW poster about being able to Speak Out and Stay Safe. All entries must be named and handed in by no later than **Friday 4th October 2019**. Prizes will be given out to the best designs. The winning entries will also be framed and displayed around school. Please encourage the children to be as creative as they would like to be.

Good Luck. Miss Boyle

IMPORTANT NOTICE

School attendance and punctuality are a high priority. As a school we are legally required to accurately record children's attendance and reasons for absence or lateness.

The doors to school open at 8:35am. **All children are expected to enter school via a playground door between 8:35am and 8:45am.** After this children will need to be brought through main reception where staff will ask for a reason for lateness. **We kindly remind parents to be polite and respectful to staff when asked about lateness and absence.**

Coatathon Event

A fun community day with something for everyone

Saturday 2nd November, 10am-3pm @ St Chads Hall, Rubery Village



Come along and enjoy the fun:

- *traditional prize game stalls and a few new ones...
- *free soft play to amuse the little ones
- *catch up with people in your local community, whilst treating yourself to a scrummy cake (or two!)
- *take part in Rubery Rocks painting
- *find out more about Foodcycle
- *chat to a Fire Officer about their free fire safety checks for your home

But remember...Jack Frost is on his way!

So please come and choose your FREE, preloved children's coats, school shoes and trainers at the event if your children need one 😊 they just don't stop growing 😊

Donations

Any donations of preloved coats, school shoes, trainers and wellies are very gratefully received (and as always, any school or extracurricular uniform too). If you could wash any coats before donation this would really help us.

If you would like to donate any prizes for our stalls that would be brilliant too...bottles for the tombola, sweets, chocolates, smellies, any unwanted gifts, gift vouchers etc.

Donations can be dropped off at CC Balloons Shop in Rubery Village anytime leading up to the event

**We really hope to see you there 😊
Together, we can make things happen!**

NATIONAL SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TARGET: 96%

Our current whole school attendance percentage is:

96.0% - Well Done

This time last year our whole school attendance percentage was **93.8%**

Please try to send your child to school everyday

		This week		So far this year	
		Attendance	No of Lates	Attendance	No of Lates
Rec	RW	94.7%	1		
	RC	98.3%	4		
Year 1	1KF	94.8%	4	93.0%	17
	1HF	94.3%	2	96.0%	5
Year 2	2H	96.0%	3	97.6%	3
	2B	98.6%	0	98.1%	5
Year 3	3B	97.4%	4	96.6%	10
	3G	91.0%	4	95.4%	14
Year 4	4M	94.1%	3	95.4%	15
	4J	99.3%	5	98.3%	8
Year 5	5TM	97.3%	0	98.3%	7
	5S	94.7%	1	96.2%	7
Year 6	6A	95.6%	4	94.9%	14
	6D	98.8%	2	97.3%	6

Last Week's Attendance and Lates

Well Done
4J for the highest attendance and to
2B & 5TM for the fewest lates



HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAY

Well Done to

Isabella in 1KF, Gabriella in 2H,
Kayla in 3B, Oliver in 5TM,
Jessica in 6D



INVITATION

to join us for our Open Events
and visit the NEW

King Edward VI Balaam Wood Academy



Open Evening:

Wednesday 2nd October 6pm-8pm

Open Mornings:

Thursday 26th September and Tuesday 1st October 9-10.30am

New Street, Frankley, B45 0EU

An opportunity to meet pupils and teachers