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SCHOOL UPDATE



THE WAY
WE BEHAVE



THE WAY
WE LEARN



THE WAY
WE ARE

HEADTEACHER UPDATE

It is hard to believe that we are already well into the autumn term! It has been a busy and positive few weeks, and it has been wonderful to see our pupils making the most of the opportunities available to them both in and beyond the classroom.

Our Year 5 pupils have made a brilliant impression since joining us, and they recently enjoyed their first school trip to Cosford. It was fantastic to see them embracing the experience with such enthusiasm and representing our school so positively.

Year 6 have also been out and about, enjoying a brilliant visit to Twycross zoo. The trip provided a fantastic opportunity to bring their learning to life, and pupils returned enthused by seeing first-hand some of the different animals they have been studying as part of their work on ecosystems.

Next week, it will be Year 7's turn as they head to Wolseley Bridge on Wednesday. We hope they have a fantastic day and look forward to hearing all about their experiences when they return.

We would also like to say a big thank you to parents and carers for your continued support, particularly with our school planners. These are an important tool in helping pupils to stay organized, develop good habits and share their successes between school and home. Your support in checking and using them regularly really does make a difference.

Finally, a reminder that school will finish for pupils for the half-term break on Thursday 22nd October, due to an INSET day on Friday 23rd October.

Thank you, as always, to all our parents and carers for your support. Working together has helped to make the start of this school year such a positive one, and we look forward to everything that the rest of the term has in store.

Mr Grocutt –


Headteacher

PUPIL SUCCESS



Since joining the Fishing for Families programme in May, Sully has developed a real passion for fishing. Having never fished before his first school session, he has since taken part in a number of competitions and events, including entering a national competition. It has been wonderful to see his confidence grow alongside his fishing skills. He has even been carp fishing and achieved a new personal best! Well done, Sully. We are incredibly proud of you!

Evie recently competed in a dance competition in Chesterton, performing in freestyle, street and Rock and Roll. After making it through numerous rounds and call-backs, her brilliant performances earned her a first place and a second place. An amazing achievement and a great reward for all her hard work. We are super proud of you, Evie!





We are incredibly proud of Harrison, who recently received a special award from Staffordshire Fire and Rescue for his bravery when a fire broke out at home. During what must have been a frightening situation, Harrison remained calm and was able to speak clearly to the emergency services, helping to keep his family safe. His courage and composure were remarkable. A very special and thoroughly deserved recognition. Well done, Harrison!

A huge congratulations to Esme and Evelyn, who have both been selected to represent the District Football Squad following their recent trials. Being chosen to play at district level is a fantastic achievement and reflects their skill, determination and hard work on the football pitch. We are incredibly proud of them both and look forward to hearing about their experiences representing the district. Well done, Esme and Evelyn!

WHAT'S COMING UP

Year 7 – Wolseley Bridge	7 th October
Staff Meeting (No Clubs)	8 th October
Open Mornings	12 th -16 th October
Inset Day	23 rd October
Staff Meeting (No Clubs)	5 th November

PARENT/CARER REMINDERS

A Quick Planner Reminder

Please remember to check and sign your child's planner each week. Planners are a great way to keep up to date with school life and, importantly, to see all the positives, achievements and successes from the week. Thank you for your continued support!

Reading at Home

Please remember to read regularly with your child at home and record this in their planner. Sharing books, discussing what they've read, and signing the planner, all help to support your child's progress and confidence in reading.

Equipment Check

Please take a moment to check through your child's equipment to make sure they have everything they need for school. Being well prepared helps them feel confident, organised, and ready to succeed. Thank you for your support.

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