



Palfrey Junior School Newsletter

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www.palfrey-j.walsall.sch.uk

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Important Information about Eid As usual, we are planning to close for Eid, so our children and staff can celebrate with family and friends. Currently this may be Thursday 19th or Friday 20th March. We will let you know as soon as it is confirmed.

Golden Certificates

Well done to the following children who have been awarded a Golden Certificate this week for fantastic work, behaviour and attitude to learning:

- Cl 1 Kayden A
- Cl 1 Nafisha B
- Cl 2 Hoorain J
- Cl 3 Zaynab A
- Cl 4 Aisha K
- Cl 5 Yasin K
- Cl 5 Golsum H
- Cl 6 Aminah I
- Cl 7 Zoya B
- Cl 8 Amina G
- Cl 9 Ubaidullah S
- All of class 10
- Cl 11 Khizar J
- Cl 12 Haleemah B



- Cl 2 Zahra S
- Cl 3 Nipel M
- Cl 4 Ayesha T
- Cl 6 Ata Usman
- Cl 6 Erika-Marie
- Cl 9 Tahmeed A
- Cl10 Sahil H



- Cl 1 Yasin A
- Cl 7 Hanif S
- Cl 10 Sarah A

This Week In School

Year 3 - have been using the counting up method to subtract money in maths, they have been learning to use prepositions in their character descriptions in literacy and in computing, they have been looking at branching databases and planning their own.



Year 4 - have been finding fractions of amounts and identifying equivalent fractions in maths, they have completed their biographies of Dr Barnardo in literacy and in art/DT, they have been working in groups to create a river model using paper mache.



Year 5 - have been calculating the perimeter of different shapes or using the grid method to multiply 2 digit numbers in maths, they have begun their new story 'This is Not a Fairytale' by Jeremy Strong in literacy and in topic, they have researched New York City.



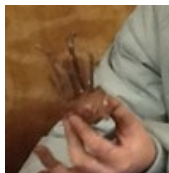
Year 6 - have been translating and reflecting shapes in all 4 quadrants of a grid in maths, they have been looking at features of a desert island and designing their own in literacy and in guided reading, they have been reading a piece of text thinking about fluency and expression.

Outdoor Learning



Year 3 had a great time this week in outdoor

learning making clay and twig hedgehogs. They collected twigs to make the spikes and used clay for the body. All the hedgehogs looked amazing.



Thank you to everyone who was able to join us for our Mother's Day afternoon on Thursday. We hope you had a lovely time and enjoyed the afternoon.





HAF Easter Portal is now open for you to register (if you haven't already) and sign your children up for some exciting and fun activities during the Easter holidays.
Info poster on p3 & 4

Year	Start Time	Finish Time
Y 3 & Y 4	8:40am	3:10pm
Y5 & Y6	8:30am	3:00pm



Marvellous Me Day—Monday 16th March

School Council thought it would be a great idea to have day where we share and celebrate how special and unique we all are. So, Monday 16th March will be a special Marvellous Me day. Children can come to school in their own clothes, this could be their favourite football/ sporting team t-shirt/kit, a dance outfit, their favourite colour, character or an outfit they had for a special occasion... anything that they like or represents them. They can also bring into school an item for a show and tell style oracy (talking) afternoon.



Please make sure your child is arriving to school on time everyday.

Expected attendance is 96 %

The Class with the best attendance was

Class 11 with 100%

Overall our attendance was **96.66%**



The attendance for each Class:

- Class 1 – 96%
- Class 2 – 99%
- Class 3 – 98%
- Class 4 – 97%
- Class 5 – 90%
- Class 6 – 99%
- Class 7 - 97%
- Class 8 - 97%
- Class 9 - 93%
- Class 10 - 96%
- Class 11 - 100%**
- Class 12 – 97%

An EXCELLENT week for attendance - great stuff!



Inspire Workshops

Throughout the year we like to invite parents/carers to come into school to take part in some fun & creative activities with your children. Workshops are between 1:40 and 2:45pm and due to space only 1 adult per child allowed. Thank you

Mon 23rd March - Y5 –Teepee making

Tuesday 28th April -Year 3 - Volcanoes



Important Attendance Info

All registers are reviewed weekly. Emails are then sent out informing parents /carers of concerns over poor or falling attendance. **90% attendance or below is classed as being a persistent absentee (PA) & absences will only be authorised with medical evidence.** Please make sure you report all absence as unreported absences can not be authorised - call on 01922 721092, text or sent in app message. Any pics of any medical evidence can be sent to support@palfrey-j.walsall.sch.uk **Medical evidence will be required if your child has had multiple days off over different weeks.** Thank you

All children need to come to school wearing their **PE kit** on their PE days.
Plain white T-shirt, plain black joggers/ leggings/shorts and trainers.



	PE Days
Class 1 & 3	Wednesday
Class 2	Wednesday swimming
Class 4	Tuesday-Swimming
Class 5 & 6	Tuesday
Y5	Friday—Joy of Movement
Class 10	Friday
Class 11 & 12	Thursday

Dates for the Diary

- 23rd - 27th March -Well Being Week
- Monday 23rd March -Y5 Inspire Workshop - Tee pee Making
- Tuesday 24th March -Y4 Fire Safety Talks
- Friday 27th March -Break up for Easter Holidays
- Monday 13th April - Back to school- on time please!
- 27th April –1st May - Well Being Week
- Monday 4th May - School Closed - May Bank Holiday





HAF Easter 2026



What's on offer this Easter?

This Easter we have lots of exciting & free activities for children and young people aged 5-16 yrs on income based free school meals. The portal will be live for you to get booked on **23/02/26**.

Free activities:

- Horse riding
- Arts & Crafts
- Cooking
- Pantomimes
- Football
- Sports
- Swimming
- & much more!



FREE
Healthy
Meal

How to register and book for the 2026 programme?

You will need a code to register if you have not received a code, by post. Please contact us to see if you qualify for the programme via email wr4c@walsall.gov.uk.

To register your child, use any of the following options:

- Scan the QR CODE below
- Visit our website www.walsall.gov.uk/children-and-young-people/holiday-activities-programme-haf
- Call us on 01922 653899
- Email us your enquiry on wr4c@walsall.gov.uk

Once you have registered you will be able to book onto activities.

Sign up now!

To find out more visit our website or sign up to our newsletter:

www.walsall.gov.uk/children-and-young-people/holiday-activities-programme-haf



	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	Advice & Support - 10:00am - 12:00pm Women's Health and Well-being - 10:00am - 12:00pm (£1.00 per session)	Advice & Support - 12:30pm - 2:00pm
Tuesday	Advice & Support - 10:00am - 12:00pm Sewing - 10:00am - 12:00pm (£1.00 per session)	Advice & Support - 12:30pm - 2:00pm
Wednesday	Advice & Support - 10:00am - 12:00pm Palfrey Park Cycling Session - 10:00am - 12:00pm	Advice & Support - 12:30pm - 2:00pm
Thursday	Advice & Support - 10:00am - 12:00pm	Advice & Support - 12:30pm - 2:00pm Employability Search - 12:30pm - 2:30pm
Friday	Ladies Bingo - 10am-11am Women's Well-being Clinic - 10.00am-12.00pm Strength and Balance Class - 11.00am-12.00pm (£1.50 per session)	Women's Well-being Clinic - 12:00pm-3:00pm



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ARE YOU STRUGGLING TO PAY YOUR BILLS?
NEED SOMEONE TO HELP YOU MAKE SENSE OF IT?
NEED SOME ENERGY SAVING ADVICE?
Book an appointment with our ECAO today!!
01922 644006
Note that Aaina Community Hub is a women's centre, and its services are primarily for women, including this one. Thank you for your understanding.

For parents' questions, BIG & small.
Why is my baby crying?
What should I pack in my hospital bag?
How do I apply for childcare support?
Get advice and support at BestStartInLife.gov.uk

If you have babies or toddlers at home or are expecting a new baby there is a new government website called which offers lots of support and advice.
[Click on this link to take you to the Best Start In Life website](http://BestStartInLife.gov.uk)

NASHDOM - 01922 616444

Free Advice & Support

Monday - Friday
9:30 am - 5:00 pm

- Financial & Housing Support
- Homelessness
- Safe Spaces
- Energy advice and support (WEAP)
- Multilingual assistance: Romanian, Slovakian, Polish, Russian, Ukrainian, Latvian Lithuanian, Bulgarian, Urdu, Panjabi, Gujarati

DADS GROUPS

We know Dads play a vital role in their children's lives.

We have lots on offer for you at Walsall Family Hubs;

- Dads Stay and plays (weekdays and weekends)
- Dads 4 Dads Peer Support Groups
- One to One support
- Parenting Workshops - Henry
- DadsPad App

and much more

No booking, just turn up

For more information contact Ed
07584 521955 or email
EarlyHelpParentingTeam@walsall.gov.uk

www.walsallfamilyhubs.co.uk

Making Connections Walsall

Get Connected, Stay Connected

Making Connections Walsall is a friendly service for residents of all ages in Walsall that aims to address loneliness, social isolation and to empower residents to take responsibility for their own health and well-being

0121 380 6690

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*FREE COMMUNITY COURSES AVAILABLE AT WALSALL COLLEGE

Including Photography & Videography, Healthy Lifestyles, Introduction to Digital Marketing and Introduction to Fashion & Textiles

Contact 01922 657000 or CommunityDevelopment@walsallcollege.ac.uk to register your interest

*subject to eligibility

Your place to grow
Your place to shine

Dates for the Diary



Monday 19th January	Y6 Inspire Workshop Class 12
Wednesday 21st January	Y6 Inspire Workshop Class 11
Thursday 22nd January	Y6 Inspire Workshop Class 10
Thursday 22nd January	TT Rockstars Battle of the Bands — postponed —
Thursday 29th January	TT Rockstars Battle of the Bands (dress like a rock star)
26th -30th January	Book Fair Week
Tuesday 27th January	Y3 Inspire Workshop - Greek Vases
2nd - 6th February	National Story Telling Week & Well Being Week
Friday 6th February	Y5 Joy of Movement
Tuesday 10th February	Internet Safety Day
Wednesday 11th February	International Women and Girls in Science Day
Thursday 12th February	The Big Harmony Sing
Friday 13th February	Break up for Half term
Monday 23rd February	Back to school—On time please!
Wednesday 25th February	Y4 Inspire workshop — postponed
Wednesday 4th March	Y4 Inspire workshop—the water cycle NEW DATE
Wednesday 4th & Thursday 5th March	Y3 – Learn to ride
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day
Monday 9th March	Y4 Bike fix
Thursday 12th March	Y3 Pedestrian Safety Training
Thursday 12th March	Mother’s Day Celebration Afternoon 1:40 - 2:45pm
Friday 13th March	Y3 Pedestrian Safety Training
Monday 16th March	Marvellous Me - Oracy Day
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11th - 14th May	Year 6 SATs week
18th - 22nd May	Science Week



Dates may change and more events and extra details will be added to the newsletter throughout the



Useful numbers

If you need help, support, advice or are concerned or worried these services can help.

CRIME STOPPERS –0800 555 111 or 101 or in emergencies 999

Black County Women’s Aid– 0121 553 0090 (Domestic Abuse Support)

SAYA multilingual Phone line - 0800 389 6990 (Domestic Abuse Support)

Early Help Hub- 0300 555 2866 (option 1)

CGL (old Sure Start, South Street) 01922 6423382



Family Information Services- 01922 653383

Citizens Advice Bureau -0300 3301159

www.walsallcab.org.uk



NSPCC - 0808 800 5000

CHILDLINE -0800 1111



Bereavement Services - Child & Family Helpline: 01922 645035 www.wbss.org.uk



The Samaritans– 116 123



If you are finding it difficult to feed you family during these difficult time we are now partnered with Black Country Food Bank and can issue Food Vouchers that can be re-deem locally. Please call us or email support@palfrey-j.walsall.sch.uk and we will get back to you. This is strictly confidential.

If you need additional support or guidance ,you can also contact the Early Help Hub on 01922 6423382, Family Information Services 01922 653383 or Walsall Council on 0300 555 2855 or

[Cost of living support website](#)



[The Hub of Hope](#) is the UK’s leading mental health support database. It brings local, national, peer, community, charity, private and NHS mental health support and services together in one place. Simply type your post code into the search bar, then select the area of support you need and it will show you information and contact details of all the local organisations and support available for you to access.



[Ollee](#) is a virtual friend aimed at 8-11 year-olds and their parents, Ollee is a browser-based app that helps children and families explore feelings and emotions, and gives advice to help resolve issues. You can [try it here](#)