



Palfrey Junior School Newsletter

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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 3 Safiyyah L
- Cl 4 Arya M
- Cl 5 Aafiyah R
- Cl 5 Ajrada K
- Cl 6 Mathias C
- Cl 7 Aasiyah L
- Cl 9 Mikaeel A
- Cl 9 Humaira A
- Cl 10 Zakia Z
- Cl 11 Zainab A
- Cl 12 Mahmood K
- Cl 12 Bushra M

- Cl 4 Anshara K
- Cl 6 Mikaeel A
- Cl 6 Hafsa S
- Cl Haroon H
- Cl 10 Sahil H
- Cl 10 Courtney V
- Cl 11 Ahmad N



This Week In School

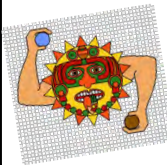


Year 3 - have been learning about place value in 2 and 3 digit numbers, placing numbers on a number line and rounding in maths, they have been learning about different types of nouns (common, proper and collective) in literacy, and in topic, they have been learning about different jobs in Victorian times.



Year 4 - have been adding 2 3 digit numbers in maths, they have been learning about persuasive writing and have started to write their own persuasive advert for a mobile phone in literacy, and in science they have been learning about the different parts of the ear.

Year 5 - have been reading timetables and practising column subtraction in maths, they have produced their own poems 'Last Night I saw the Classroom...based on the 'Last Night I Saw The City Breathing' poem they have been studying and in science they have conducted an experiment to test which substances dissolve.



Year 6 - Have been researching the artist Frida Kahlo in art, they have been learning all about how the circulatory systems works in our bodies in science, and in topic they have started to learn about the Ancient Civilisation, The Mayas.

Outdoor Learning



I really like nature and Andy Goldsworthy's art is nice. I enjoyed using items from nature such as twigs , leaves and flowers. Khadijah

Class 7 really enjoyed learning about the artist Andy Goldsworthy and created their own wonderful pieces of art and nature wreaths using only natural materials that they could find on the field.



I like Andy Goldsworthy, I like the pattern I did. It is very inspiring. Hanif

If you have any newspapers you have finished with please can you send them into school. They will be used in ongoing activities and projects. Thank you



PARENT WORKSHOPS

Please come along and join us for informative talks that will help you keep your children and family safe online and in the real world.

9:00-10:00am

Tuesday 18th November -

Online Safety Workshop more info on p3



Wednesday 19th November -

Police Talk with PC Alex Holownia keeping your children/families safe and what to do if you are concerned.





Our Digital Leaders say...do you know the risks and dangers of AI generated pictures and videos? Find out more on p3 including top tips for parents/ carers.

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

Wed 26th November -Year 4 - Norman Shields



Tue 2nd December - Year 3 –Victorians

Mon 8th December -Year 5 CSI



Y6 Viking Longboats

Mon 19th January - Cl 12

Wed 21st January - Cl 11

Thurs 22nd January - Cl 10



Tues 27th January - Y3 Greek Vases

	PE Days
Class 1 & 2	Friday
Class 3	Wednesday -swimming
Y4	Tuesday
Class 6	Tuesday - Swimming
Y5	Monday
Class 10	Friday
Class 11 & 12	Thursday



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.

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

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



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

Expected attendance is 96 %

The Class with the best attendance was

Class 2,3,4 & 8 with 98%

Overall our attendance was **94.98%**

The attendance for each Class:

Class 1 – 94%

Class 2 – 98%

Class 3 – 98%

Class 4 – 98%

Class 5 – 88%

Class 6 – 84%

Class 7 - 96%

Class 8 - 98%

Class 9 - 96%

Class 10 - 96%

Class 11 - 96%

Class 12 – 97%



Attendance celebration assemblies will be the last week of every term. Certificates for 95% and 96% attendance, and certificates and prizes for 97+%. Our special Attendance Raffle for £50 Smyths voucher takes place at the end of the school year in July.



Dates for the Diary


- 17th-21st November -Anti- Bullying Week
- Wednesday 19th November -Whole School SEND WOW Day
- Wednesday 26th November -Year 4 Inspire Workshop - Norman Shields 1:40-2:45pm
- Friday 28th November -Artist Day
- Tuesday 2nd December- Year 3 Inspire Workshop –Victorians
- Thursday 4th December -Winter Fayre
- Monday 8th December -Year 5 Inspire Workshop - CSI 1:40-2:45pm
- Thursday 11th December - Christmas Jumper Day £1
- Monday 15th December - Christmas Around the World Day
- Wednesday 17th December-Christmas Lunch







Palfrey Junior School

Parent & Family Session: Keeping Our Children Safe Online

 Date: Tuesday 18th November

 Time: 9:00 AM

 Location: Palfrey Junior School Hall

Our children are growing up in a digital world. As parents and carers, it's important to understand how to help them stay safe while exploring the internet.

Join us for an informative and friendly session where we'll explore:

- How children use social media, games, and apps
- Spotting online risks and unsafe behaviour
- Setting up privacy and parental controls
- Talking to children about online safety
- Where to get help and further advice

Who Can Attend?

All parents, carers, and family members are welcome!

Let's Work Together

By learning together, we can help every child at Palfrey Junior School stay safe, smart, and confident online.



What Parents & Educators Need to Know about AI-GENERATED VIDEOS

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

AI-generated videos are increasingly difficult to spot and easy to share. From fake news clips to deepfake abuse, children and young people face new risks every day online. These videos can imitate real people, spread false narratives or even generate harmful content from scratch. Understanding these dangers is crucial for schools and families who want to protect children in a fast-evolving digital world.

DEEPPAKE ABUSE CONTENT

Shockingly, artificial intelligence is now being exploited to create child sexual abuse material (CSAM). These synthetic images and videos are a form of digital abuse, often generated by manipulating real children's photos, including ones shared innocently online. Worryingly, the Internet Watch Foundation (IWF) has identified a sharp rise in this disturbing trend. Whether real or AI-generated, this content causes lasting trauma – and its creation or possession remains a criminal offence under UK law.

BLURRED REALITY

Regular exposure to fake content can erode a child's trust in real-world evidence. If everything can be faked, they may begin to question genuine videos – including actual abuse or injustice. This is known as the 'liar's dividend', where real harm is dismissed as fake news. It can discourage victims from coming forward or speaking up.

USED FOR BULLYING

Deepfake technology is already being used by peers to create embarrassing or explicit clips of classmates. These videos can be edited to appear as though a child said or did something they never did. Once shared, they are almost impossible to delete completely. AI-generated bullying adds a new layer of harm that is deeply personal and difficult to prove.

EMOTIONAL MANIPULATION

AI-generated videos can be used to provoke strong emotions, including fear, anger or guilt. False footage of crying children, injured animals or burning buildings may be created purely for clicks, donations or political influence. Children may feel upset or powerless, unaware that what they are watching has been digitally invented to manipulate their reaction.

DISINFORMATION

AI-generated videos can spread fake news, making it harder for children to separate fact from fiction. False clips may include deepfake interviews, hoax disasters or fabricated health claims. AI is already being used to produce misleading or persuasive material that appears authentic. If they don't develop media literacy, children may accept false content as truth.

IMPERSONATION AND SCAMS

With just a few photos or voice clips, AI tools can imitate someone's appearance or speech. This makes it easier for scammers or bullies to create fake videos of children, teachers or celebrities. These impersonations can be used for fraud, harassment or humiliation – and can spread quickly through social media or group chats, due to the viral potential of video, in particular, on social media.

Advice for Parents & Educators

TEACH HOW IT WORKS

Explain to children that videos can be faked – and show them how. Demonstrating side-by-side examples of real vs AI-generated clips helps to build awareness. Discuss how faces, voices and even movements can be copied by machines. Understanding the technology reduces fear and builds confidence in navigating digital content safely.

TALK ABOUT TRUST

Always keep lines of communication open. If a child sees something upsetting or unbelievable, they should feel safe discussing it without judgement. Create an environment where they know they will not get in trouble for asking questions. This also helps you step in quickly if harmful content has been shared; trust is vital and needs to be nurtured.

ENCOURAGE CRITICAL QUESTIONS

Help children question what they watch. Who made this? Why was it made? Is it trying to persuade me? These habits encourage digital thinking, especially when videos seem too shocking or convenient. Reinforce that not everything shared by friends or influencers is true, even if it looks convincing at first, and that the initial approach should always be one of speculation.

STRENGTHEN PRIVACY SETTINGS

Advise children not to share voice notes, selfies or personal videos on public platforms. AI tools often scrape content from social media to create deepfakes. Use privacy controls to limit who can see their content and turn off facial recognition where possible. Fewer public images means fewer opportunities for misuse.

Meet Our Expert

Braden O'Keeffe is a headteacher and digital education consultant with over a decade of experience in education. As Director of Digital Strategy across multiple schools and an advisor to The National College, he specialises in digital safety, PREVENT, and pastoral care.



#WakeUpWednesday

The National College

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.

	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



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

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Contact us to book an appointment
 info@nashdomcic.org
 01922616444

Nash Dom Community Hub,
 Sun St, Walsall
 WS1 4AL

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

Walsall Council

MAKING CONNECTIONS WALSALL

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

walsallfamiliesintheknow

www.walsallfamilyhubs.co.uk

For parents' questions, **BIG & small.**

Why's 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 Best Start In Life which offers lots of support and advice.

[Click on this link to take you to the Best Start In Life website](#)

Dates for the Diary

Monday 3rd November	Back to school & M&M Theatre Show Robin Hood
Monday 10th November	Year TOGO NOGO Pedestrian Safety Training
Tuesday 11th November	Remembrance Day
Wednesday 12th November	Year 4 -Tamworth Castle Trip
12th & 13th November	Year 6 Bikability
Friday 14th November	Children In Need– non uniform day and pop corn for £2
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Thursday 11th December	Christmas Jumper Day £1
Monday 15th December	Christmas Around the World Day
Tuesday 16th December	School Choir Christmas Concert
Wednesday 17th December	Christmas Lunch
Thursday 18th December	Toy Day & Break up for Christmas Holiday
Friday 19th December	School Closed Staff Training Day
Monday 5th January	Back to School
Friday 16th January	Our Walsall Day
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	Battle of the Bands
26th -30th January	Book Fair Week
Tuesday 27th January	Y3 Inspire Workshop - Greek Vases
2nd - 6th February	National Story Telling Week
Tuesday 10th February	Internet Safety Day
Wednesday 11th February	International Women and Girls in Science Day
Friday 13th February	Break up for Half term
Monday 23rd February	Back to school—On time please!
Wednesday 25th February	Y4 Inspire workshop
Thursday 5th March	Our World/ Culture Day



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



Black Country Women's Aid
we listen, we support, we care



CRIME STOPPERS
0800 555 111
Call anonymously with information about crime

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

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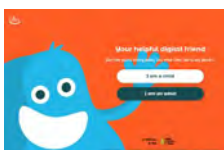
If you are finding it difficult to feed you family during these difficult time we are now partnered with Black Country Food Bank and can issue Food Vouchers that can be re-deem locally. Please call us or email support@palfrey-j.walsall.sch.uk and we will get back to you. This is strictly confidential.

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](#)