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VE DAY CELEBRATION PICNICS

Each year group is having VE Day Celebration picnic events—parents/carers are invited to join us for these special occasions. *Please note slight change to junior start times.*

The Ark (SRP)	1.45pm	Wed 16th July	
AM Nursery	10.30am	Wed 16th July	Infort Cohool
PM Nursery	1.45pm	Wed 16th July	Infant School
Reception	1.45pm	Wed 16th July	
Year 1	12.30pm	Mon 14th July	Caldmore
Year 2	12.30pm	Mon 7th July	Gardens
Year 3	12.45pm	Fri 20th June	Arboretum field
Year 4	12.45pm	Tues 17th June	next to the Crescent Car Park, WS1 2DD
Year 5	12.45pm	Fri 13th June	

WHEELBARROW GARDEN FESTIVAL

Don't miss the Wheelbarrow Garden Festival at St. Martin's Church, featuring Garden Wheelbarrows created by the infant and junior Blue Coat children!

Sunday 22nd June 12 to 3.30pm

HEALTHY SNACKS ONLY PLEASE!

All the Infant children receive a free piece of fruit every day to have as a snack. Junior children are welcome to bring a healthy snack to school each day to enjoy at break time—for example: fruit or raw vegetables.

Please do not send chocolate or sweets with your child.

NEW NURSERY, RECEPTION AND YEAR 3 PARENTS' MEETINGS

There will be special meetings for parents/carers of children starting in Nursery, Reception and Year 3 in September. We will be sharing important information to help parents/carers to support the children as they start the next phase of their education.

Year group child is moving into	Meeting date	Meeting time	Location
Nursery	Tues 24th June	2.15pm	Infant Hall
Reception	Tuesday 24th June	5pm	Infant Hall
Year 3	Thurs 26th June	5.15pm	Junior Hall

SPORTS DAYS

Each year group will be having a Sports Day this term. Parents/Carers are invited to join us for these.

AM Nursery	9.45am	Wed 18th June	Infant School
PM Nursery	2pm	Wed 18th June	Infant School
Reception	1.45pm	Fri 20th June	Infant School
Year 1	1.30pm	Thurs 10th July	Mayfield School Field
Year 2	1.30pm	Thurs 26th June	Mayfield School Field
Year 4	1.30pm	Thurs 3rd July	Mayfield School Field
Year 6	1.30pm	Thurs 19th June	Mayfield School Field

Year 4 NEW DATE: Thurs 3rd July 1.30pm at Mayfield.



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WALSALL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD PROGRAMME SUMMER 2025

HAF is a free and exciting holiday programme for children and young people aged 5 to 16 who are eligible for pupil premium, have an EHCP, or are a registered Young Carer.

The Summer Holiday Activity Programme Offer: each child can pick up to up to 4 holiday clubs or 16 pick 'n' mix sessions or a Family activity over the period 28th July – 22nd August. There are a range of activities including, bowling, horse riding, football, crafts, swimming, dancing, SEND activities and much more.

The HAF Portal goes live on 26th June 2025 – activities can be booked via the portal. To find out more information visit; www.walsall.gov.uk/ children_and_young_people/haf_signup

Or Email: familysupport@bluecoatfederation.co.uk



YEAR 2 MOSQUE VISIT

Year 2 will be visiting Aisha Mosque on Tuesday 24th June as part of their Religious Education curriculum.



FUN FOOD FRIDAYS ARE BACK!

Bring some money for sweet treats when you collect your child and help the PTA!



Infant School—Friday 20th June

Junior School—Friday 27th June

CLASS ATTENDANCE WINNERS



Infants— Dolphins 93.8% Juniors— 4CR 96.54%



SCHOOL HEALTH—SCHOOL READY PARENT WORKSHOP

Friday 4th July 9am to 10am—Infant School Hall School health working in partnership with school and families are offering a School Ready Workshop. We understand the start of a new school term is exciting but can also feel a little daunting. School health will offer advice to help develop your child's confidence and independence. All parents and carers of children moving into Nursery and Reception are invited to attend. The topics covered in the workshop will help your children to make a strong and happy start on their journey in our Early Years at Blue Coat.

NATIONAL BIKE WEEK DESIGN A POSTER COMPETITION

All the Blue Coat children are invited to design a poster focused on 'Why it's fun to cycle with family and friends'. All entries can be handed in at either school by the end of next week (Friday 20th June). There will be prizes for the best designs!

IMPORTANT FOR ALL YEAR 5 PARENTS CONSIDERING QUEEN MARY'S OR ANOTHER GRAMMAR SCHOOL FOR SEPTEMBER 2026

If your child is in Year 5 and you would like them to try for a place at Queen Mary's or another grammar school for their secondary education, <u>you MUST register them to take the entrance exam by 27th June 2025 at 4pm.</u>

The exams are taken in September when your child is in Year 6 but they will not be able to take the exam if you have not registered them now.

If your child has special needs that will require special arrangements for the exam, then you MUST register this by TODAY (13th June 2025) at 4pm.

To register your child, you need to use the portal accessible through any of the grammar school websites in the Admissions section.

This link will take you to the registration page for all West Midlands Grammar Schools:

https://westmidlandsgrammarschools.co.uk/



TERM DATES FOR 2025/2026

Please note that our term dates for next academic year have changed slightly. The correct dates are shown below.

Autumn term 2025

Training day: Monday 1 September Term starts: Tuesday 2 September 2025 Training day: Friday 24 October 2025 Half Term: Monday 27 October 2025 to Friday 31 October 2025 Term ends: Friday 19 December 2025 Spring term 2026 Term starts: Monday 19 January 2026 Half Term: Monday 16 February 2026 to Friday 20 February 2026 Term ends: Friday 27 March 2026

Summer term 2026

Term starts: Monday 13 April 2026

Training day: Friday 22 May 2026

Half Term: Monday 25 May 2026 to Friday 29 May 2026

Training day: Friday 10th July 2026

Term ends: Friday 17th July 2026

Training Days

Monday 1 September 2025 Friday 24 October 2025 Friday 22nd May 2026 Friday 10th July 2026 Monday 20th July 2026