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NURSERY AND YEAR 2 FAMILIES PRIMARY SCHOOL PLACE PREFERENCES

If your child will be 4 by 1st September 2025, you must submit your preferences for where you would like them to go to school when they move into Reception. Children in our Nursery do not automatically move into our Reception. You must apply for a place through the local authority by 15th January 2025.

If your child is in Year 2, you must submit your preferences for where you would like them to go to school when they move to Year 3. Children in our Year 2 do not automatically move into our Junior School. You must apply for a place through the local authority by 15th January 2025.

There will be two meetings to help guide parents/carers through this process.

Morning Nursery parents/carers: Wednesday 20th November 8.45am.

Nursery and Year 2 parents/carers: Wednesday 20th November 2.30pm.

RECEPTION PARENT READING WORKSHOPS—HOW WE TEACH PHONICS AND HOW YOU CAN HELP YOUR **CHILD**

There will be a parent/carer workshop explaining how you can help your child to develop their phonic and reading skills at 9am on Mon 18th Nov at the Infant School.



YEAR 5 RACKETS CUBED CLUB

There has been a change to the dates for the Year 5 Rackets Cubed Club at Queen Mary's.

There will NOT be a session next week (Thursday 21st November).

Thursday 28th November will take place as planned and there will be an extra session on Thursday 5th December.



WE ARE NOW ON FACEBOOK!

We have moved from Twitter/X to Facebook. Search for Blue Coat Infant and Junior Schools—Walsall



FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

Some of our 6 pupils will be representing Blue Coat in a football tournament on Monday 25th November. The tournament involves teams from different Walsall schools.



JUNIOR COMPUTING CLUB

Junior Computing Club is cancelled on Wednesday 27th November.



CLASS ATTENDANCE WINNERS



Infants - Dolphins 98.3% Juniors — 4CR 99.7%



Federation website: bluecoatfederation.co.uk

Facebook: Blue Coat Infant and Junior Schools - Walsall

E-mail: postbox@bluecoatfederation.co.uk

DOES YOUR CHILD CYCLE OR SCOOT TO SCHOOL?

It is great that a number of Blue Coat children are cycling or scooting to school each day. This is great for their health and reduces the congestion and environmental damage caused by car use.

We have bicycle and scooter shelters at both schools. Children can store their bicycles and scooters in the shelters. Storing items in the shelters is at families' risk and we suggest children use a bicycle lock to ensure their bike is safe and secure.





PACT WORKSHOPS—YEAR 4 NEXT WEEK

Our PACT Workshop programme continues this term with the following Reading workshops in the Juniors. We hope all parents/carers will be able to join us for these.

AUTUMN TERM PACT WORKSHOPS ALL STARTING 9AM			
Year Group	Date	Focus	
Year 4— NEXT	Tues 19th Nov	Reading	
Year 5	Tues 26th Nov	Reading	
Year 6	Tues 3rd Dec	Reading	



CHRISTMAS EVENTS

Event	Date and time	Location	Further details
Christmas Bazaar	Fri 29th Nov 3.45pm	Junior School	Everyone welcome!
Nursery and Reception pm performance	Tues 10th Dec 1.45pm	Infant School	Tickets must be booked through school office
Nursery and Reception am performance	Wed 11th Dec 9.45am	Infant School	Tickets must be booked through the school office
Year 1 and 2 pm performance	Tues 17th Dec 2pm	Infant School	Tickets must be booked through the school office
Year 1 and 2 am performance	Wed 18th Dec 9.30am	Infant School	Tickets must be booked through the school office
Christmas Parties	Thursday 19th Dec pm	Both schools	Just for the Blue Coat children
Federation Christmas Service	Friday 20th Dec 10.30am	St. Matthew's Church	Everyone welcome!
Christmas Lunch	Friday 20th Dec	Both schools	Just for the Blue Coat children

HELP THE PTA

From next week, please donate any of the following to be used in the Christmas Fair:

Teddy Bears
Soft Toys
Other Toys





Would you like to help the PTA with events like the Christmas Bazaar?

Please email your name, email address and mobile number to:

pta@bluecoatfederation.co.uk

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Friday 29th November 3.45pm at the Junior School

Everyone welcome!



Christmas Games and Stalls

Tombola Lucky Dip Reindeer Hoops and lots more!

Father Christmas

Festive food and refreshments

Infant and Junior Choir performances



Don't miss it!

