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PACT WORKSHOPS—YEAR 1 AND YEAR 4 NEXT WEEK!

We are delighted to be offering three PACT (Parents and Children Together) workshops over the course of this academic year for each class. These workshops provide a brilliant opportunity for you to attend a lesson alongside your child, to gain an understanding of how we teach different subjects at Blue Coat and things you can do to support your child at home with their learning. We hope that every child will have a parent/carer attending their workshop.

Thank you to all the Year 3
parents/carers who attended
this week and for all your
positive feedback. It is great
that the community finds these
workshops so helpful.



AUTUMN TERM PACT WORKSHOPS ALL STARTING 9AM (EXCEPT NURSERY)		
Year Group	Date	Focus
Nursery	Thurs 24th Oct	Library visits am and pm
Reception	Wed 9th Oct	Writing
Year 1	Fri 4th Oct	Writing
NEXT WEEK!		
Year 2	Fri 11th Oct	Writing
Year 3	Tues 12th Nov	Reading
Year 4	Tues 1st Oct	Writing
NEXT WEEK!	Tues 19th Nov	Reading
Year 5	Tues 15th Oct	Writing
	Tues 26th Nov	Reading
Year 6	Tues 26th Oct	Writing
	Tues 3rd Dec	Reading

SWEETS AND UNHEALTHY SNACKS

Infant children are given a piece of fruit every day as a snack.

Junior children are allowed to bring a healthy snack each day. Some children have been bringing sweets or other unhealthy snacks to school. These are not permitted. Please be aware that sweets and unhealthy snacks will be looked after by staff and a parent/carer will need to collect them at the end of the day.

Some children are purchasing sweets and unhealthy snacks from shops on their way to school. Please support us in discouraging this and not letting your child bring any money with them to school or to spend on the way to school.

RECEPTION AND YEAR 3 ADMISSIONS

Walsall Council will be writing to all Nursery and Year 2 parents/carers about the primary school admissions process.

If your child is in nursery at the moment, you will need to apply for a Reception place. Your child will not automatically move to our Infant School, you must apply.

If your child is in Year 2 at the moment, you will need to apply for a Year 3 place. Your child will not automatically move to our Junior School, you must apply.

The Council's online preference system will be opening shortly. Your preferences must be submitted online by 15th January.

We will be holding meetings for Nursery and Year 2 families in November to support you with this process.

Year 2 parents/carers are welcome to arrange a visit to the Junior School with Mr. Orlik.

VOLUNTEERS TO SUPPORT READING WANTED

Would you like to support the Blue Coat children regularly with their reading? Do you have regular time to spare? It could be as little as an hour a week.

We are looking for parent/carer volunteers to listen to and support individual children reading each week.

We will provide training and support. Any volunteers would be subjected to DBS clearance.

If you would be interested in helping in this way each week, please complete and return a volunteer application form (available from either school office).

Please speak with Mr. Matthews if you have any questions about this.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER

The School Photographers will be at both the Infant and the Junior Schools on Thursday 10th October.

If you would like a family portrait or pictures with brothers and sisters together, please bring your family to either school at 8am. Children must be supervised and looked after by you until the normal school start time.

Individual photographs of all the children will be taken during the day.



INFANT and JUNIOR NASAL FLU VACCINATIONS—NEXT THURSDAY

CLASS ATTENDANCE WINNERS



Infants — Jaguars 100%
Juniors — 4CR 99.3%



If parents/carers have given their online consent, the Infant and Junior children will be having their nasal flu vaccinations on Thursday 3rd October.



PARENTS' EVENINGS

Letters have been sent out this week inviting parents/carers to our Parents' Evenings:

Junior School

Wednesday 9th and Thursday 10th October 4 to 6.30pm

<u>Infant School</u>

Wednesday 16th and Thursday 17th October 3.30 to 6pm

Please complete your time preference for an appointment and return your booking slip to your child's class teacher.



THE BOOK FAIR RETURNS!

We are delighted that the ever-popular Book Fair will be returning to the Junior School on the 9th and 10th October and it will be available for parents/carers and children to visit during our Junior Parents' Evenings.

MAYOR'S VISIT

The Infant and the Junior Schools have won an A Stars Award for the work we do with the community to support sustainable transport. The Mayor of Walsall will be presenting our award to the Infant and Junior A Star Sheriffs on Thursday 3rd October in the Infant Celebration Assembly.

ASDA REWARDS CASHPOT FOR SCHOOLS

Help raise money for the Blue Coat children every time you shop at Asda!

- 1. Download and Sign up to the Asda Rewards App;
- 2. Opt into the Cashpot for Schools campaign;
- 3. Select either Blue Coat Infant (WS1 3AF) or Blue Coat Junior School (WS1 2LP).

Asda will do the rest and every time you shop, Asda will give funds to the schools.

Thank you for your support!





WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL

Thank you for helping us to keep the school environment safe for all our pupils.

