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I probably say this the time – but considering this is the longest term in the school year it has passed by in a flash and here we are nearly ready to break up for the Christmas holidays! The last few weeks have seen trips in and out of school for a number of year groups and we have also run a number of parents' workshops, stay and plays and information sessions. Thank you to everyone who was able to attend, it is always lovely to welcome parents into school.

Despite the end of term being upon us children are still working hard with every aspect of their learning and their behaviour, even at this most exciting time of the year continues to be excellent. We continue being "ready, respectful and safe" every day in school, and I know you all enjoy seeing this, alongside our Stowlawn Six, in the dojo points that are awarded every day!

A reminder that school closes for the holiday this Thursday lunchtime, and collection times can be found on the diary page at the end of the newsletter. All children return to school on Monday 6th January at normal time. We would like to wish you and your families a very happy and peaceful Christmas holiday, and hope you all get some rest amongst the fun that comes with this time of year!

Mrs Charles

Parking and Driving Outside School

Once again we are finding ourselves asking parents to take care and be more considerate when dropping off and collecting children in cars, and parking and driving outside the school site. We kindly ask parents not to:

- Do 3 point turns out on Green Park Avenue in the area right outside school : we have had a couple of near misses where children have not been seen as cars are reversing
- Park in front of the school car park gates when they are closed : this entrance is needed at all times for safe access and also so families walking past can be seen and be safe
- Drive at any speed along the road : this puts children and families at risk, and in the awful scenario of an accident happening, there is far more chance of a child surviving being hit by a car that is moving slowly.
- Park on, or drive up on the kerbs : the pavements are always busy with families coming to or leaving school and this puts them at risk. It also makes it extremely hard for parents with buggies and many end up walking in a busy road with children and buggies.
- Park in the bus lay by when teachers have messaged that a trip is returning and the coach needs a safe place to park: During a recent trip, the returning coach blocked the road stopping access for everyone along Green Park Avenue as it had no-where to park. More importantly the children had get off the coach straight into the busy road, and had to move in between parked cars to get safely on to the pavement.

Whilst we totally understand that parking is an issue on Green Park Avenue, we do not have any responsibility for this and we do complain to the council as much as we know you do. However as a community I know you will join us in trying to do as much as we can to safeguard our children and families, so we appeal to you all to help us to do this in a kind and thoughtful way. We all want our children to stay safe!

Collection and Passwords

Thank you for your patience whilst we have been ironing out any initial issues with our new password/ collection system. It is proving an effective way of ironing out confusions over collections. So please remember – if you ask anyone other than yourselves to collect your child from school please make sure you also give them the password!



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Inclusive Attendance Update

We have recently held parent information sessions about our whole school approach to Inclusive Attendance. Thank you to all our parents who were able to attend. Your child's attendance information for this half term will be sent out to families next week.. We now have an updated Attendance information page on our website for all parents to access,

The information on this page gives you further information about all aspects of support we give in school around attendance including our Attendance Policy, and statutory Government requirements about attendance, holidays and leave of absence.

<https://www.stowlawnprimary.co.uk/parentcalendar>

Local Authority information around attendance can also be found using the link below.

<https://www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/education-and-schools/holiday-term-time>

Online Fundraising

Just a reminder that you can sign up for free to help raise funds for school every time you shop online.

We have registered Stowlawn Primary School with Easyfundraising, which means we will receive a donation for FREE every time you use Easyfundraising to shop with a large number of retailers. In the last 30 days alone we have had over £70 raised from our current supporters. These donations will help so much and go towards outdoor equipment and books for the library, so please sign up to support us – it's completely free to sign up and doesn't take long.

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stowlawnprimary/?utm_source=whatsapp&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=pmc&utm_content=gs-wa1

Dates For Your Diary

Events will be added as the year progresses, and further information about events will follow closer to the time.

Monday 16 th December	Year 2 – allocated tickets	Nativity Production for parents – 1.45pm
Tuesday 17 th December	Year 2 – allocated tickets	Nativity Production for parents – 9.30 am
	Performance Club	Parents Showcase : 4pm
Wednesday 18 th December	Whole School	Christmas party day (and maybe a special visitor...). Children can come to school in own / party clothes / Christmas Jumpers
Thursday 19 th December	Whole School	Lunchtime finish for Christmas holidays Nursery - Normal time 1.00pm – Reception 1.05pm - Years 1 ,2, 3 1.10pm – Years 4, 5 and 6
Friday 20 th December	Whole school	INSET day
School holiday : Friday 20 th December to Friday 3 rd January		
Monday 6 th January 2025	Whole School	Return to school
Thursday 16 th January	Year 5	Visit to Wolverhampton Art Gallery
Friday 17 th January	Young Voices Club	Young Voices concert - Arena Birmingham
Tuesday 21 st January	Year 3	Visit to Wolverhampton Art Gallery
Friday 14 th February	Whole School	Break up for half term



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Half Term : Monday 17th to Friday 21st February

Monday 24 th February	Whole School	Return to school
Monday 24 th to Wed 26 th February	Year 2	Residential Trip to Frank Chapman Centre
Thursday 13 th March	Reception	Birmingham Think Tank Visit
Mon 24 th to Wed 26 th March	Year 6	Residential visit to Pioneer Centre
Thursday 10 th April	Year 6	Grand Theatre visit "Pig Heart Boy"
Friday 11 th April	Whole School	Lunchtime finish for Easter holidays Nursery - Normal time 1.00pm – Reception 1.05pm - Years 1 ,2, 3 1.10pm – Years 4, 5 and 6

School Holiday : Monday 14th April to Friday 25th April

Monday 28 th April	Whole School	Return to School
Monday 5 th May	Whole school	Closed for Bank Holiday
Monday 12 th May	Year 6	SATS week – external assessments
Friday 23 rd May	Whole School	Break up for half term

Half term : Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May

Monday 2 nd June	Whole school	Return to school
Friday 18 th July	Whole School	Lunchtime finish for Summer holidays Nursery - Normal time 1.00pm – Reception 1.05pm - Years 1 ,2, 3 1.10pm – Years 4, 5 and 6

Academic Year 2023/2024 INSET days : school closed to children:

Friday 20th December 2024

Friday 14th February 2025

Monday 21st July 2025





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Trips and Visits Overview

Set out below are the trips and visits booked for each year group so far. You will be notified of details about the trips closer to the time they take place, however where costs are included, this WILL be the cost of the trip for parents and this will not change Other trips and visits will be booked through the year, and this list will be updated on each newsletter .

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Nursery			Adventure Street 17 th June - £10.00
Reception		Think Tank - Germ workshop 13 th March - £10.00	
Year1	Wonderland 4 th and 5 th of Dec £12.00		
Year2	Residential - 2 nights Frank Chapman 9-11th Dec £85.00		
Year3	Cadbury World 2 nd Dec - £12.00	Art Gallery Landscape and watercolour 21st Jan - £6.00	
Year4	Pantomime Grand Theatre. 3 rd Dec - £16.00		
Year 5		Art Gallery 16 th Jan - £6.00	
Year 6		24-26 th March - £95.00 Residential 10 th April 2025 Grand theatre - £15.00	