

Dare to be Different!

As part of Anti-Bullying Week, we dared to be different!

All the money we raised is going to support the charity, "Young Minds."



Thank you everybody for joining in to raise awareness of the damage bullying can do.

Anti-Bullying Week



UN Convention on the Rights of the Child

Article 19: Protection from violence and abuse





A person is bullying a girl here. If it happens repeatedly it's called bullying.



Here he is bullying the girl again, he kicked her.



Here the bully is using mean and powerful words.



Here the girl is talking to her friend who is saying he won't bully any more.



Here the boys say she can't play with them so she walks away.



Her friend says let's get a teacher so they can resolve the problem.



Here the teacher is asking the boy what is happening.



Here all 3 friends are playing. No more bullying from now on.

Y5 Class Assembly Time Traveller



On Tuesday, Y5 CB travelled back in history in their very own time machine. Pupils visited ancient Greece, Rome and Egypt to share their learning about the history of time telling. They also presented some of their art work and some fascinating facts about famous time travellers such as Doctor Who.

Well done, children!



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Article 29: Goals of Education

Talk for Writing



TalkforWriting



Here are Y1 CD re-telling the picture book “Beegu” using a text map and actions to help them remember the story. This is part of the Talk for Writing approach to developing literacy skills which we use across the school.

When complemented by a rich diet of sharing stories and engaging with quality texts, Talk for Writing is proven to help children develop as confident readers and writers. It enables children to read and write independently for a variety of audiences and purposes within different subjects. A key feature is that children internalise the language structures needed to write through ‘talking the text’ as well as close reading. The approach moves from dependence towards independence with the teacher using shared and guided teaching to develop the ability in children to write creatively and powerfully

For more information, please visit: <https://www.talk4writing.co.uk/>



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Reception Cookery



Our Reception “123 Food” course continued this week. Children are in the driving seat during these sessions and are expected to do all the cooking themselves with as little assistance from their parents/ carers as possible. This means they are developing their literacy and mathematical skills whilst also creating a delicious treat to eat. This week children followed the recipe and made a very healthy pasta and vegetable dish



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Article 3: Best Interests of the Child

Curriculum



Children in all classes are enjoying their new topics this half-term. Each topic is carefully designed to build skills and knowledge across the curriculum and provide opportunities for pupils to learn in a memorable and interactive manner.

Here, you can see Year One building on the skills they learnt in Reception when working with clay to make a model alien. This work is linked to the class topic, "Moon Zoom."

Pupils worked with great care to craft their models which were based upon character descriptions written in English lessons, inspired by the book "Beegu."

Sydenham Primary School

presents:



The Nativity

on Wednesday 4th December at 9.30am

in the school hall.

**All Reception parents and carers are invited to attend
this lovely performance in the school hall.**

**Complimentary refreshments will be served after the
show.**

**Please complete the slip on the letter sent home today
to confirm your attendance.**

A stylized illustration of a nativity scene. In the foreground, silhouettes of three camels and a donkey are on the left, and a manger with figures of Mary, Joseph, and baby Jesus is on the right. A large, bright white star with rays is in the upper right, shining down on the manger. The background is a dark blue sky with many small white stars.

Christmas Concerts 2019

Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend
their child's Christmas carol concert on the
following dates in the school hall:

**Wednesday 11th December: Years One and Two from
9.30—10.15am.**

**Thursday 12th December: Years Three and Four from
2.00—2.30pm.**

**Friday 13th December: Years Five and Six from 2.00—
2.30pm.**

Year 6 recorders will also be playing at ASDA in aid of
Myton Hospice on Thursday 19th December from
1.45—2.45pm.

Father Christmas



On Friday 13th December we will be taking children in Reception, Year One and Year Two to Warwick Arts' Centre to watch a performance of "Father Christmas" by Raymond Briggs. Please see the letter sent home in book bags for more information.

Join Santa as he awakes from a dream of sun, sea and sand only to find it is the busiest day of the year: Christmas Eve.

Watch as he prepares his Christmas deliveries, feeds his reindeer and finally takes flight into the snowy night.

This heart-warming adaptation is full of merry touches with plenty of live music, songs and playful puppetry. It's a perfect introduction to theatre for young children who won't be able to look away as secret doors and hidden hatches are revealed in this beautifully visual show.

"Magnificent" ★★★★★ The Observer

"Magical" ★★★★★ The Upcoming

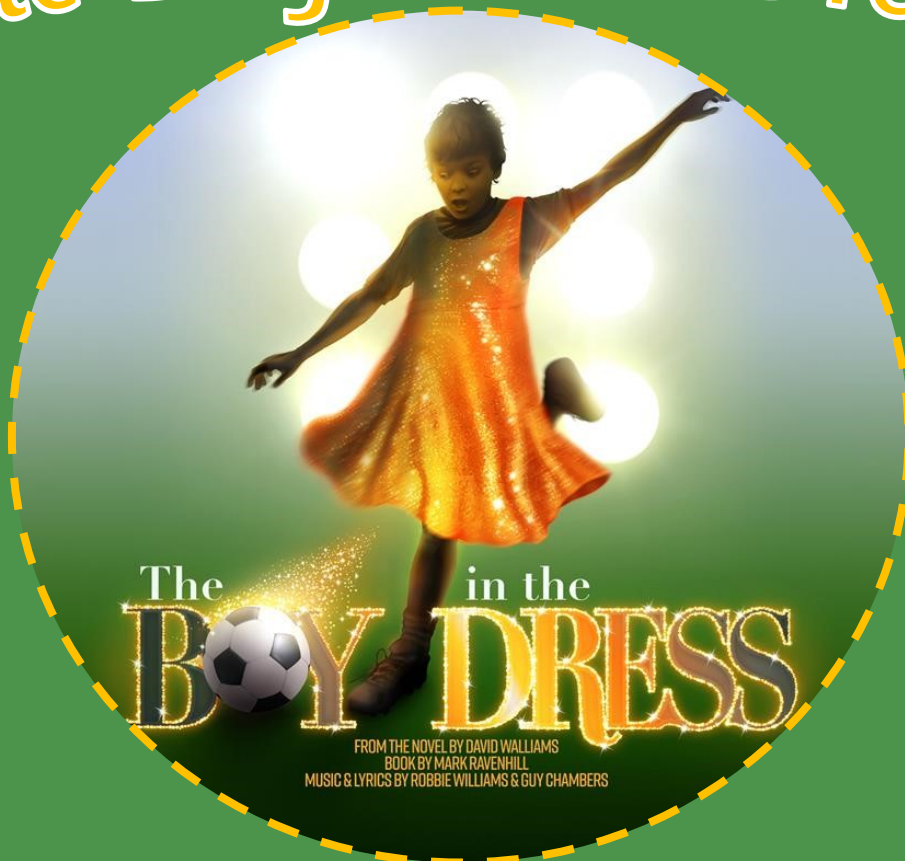
YR/1/2 Christmas Theatre Trip

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Article 31: Leisure, Play and Culture



The Boy in the Dress



On Wednesday 15th January, we will be taking children in years 3/4/5/6 to The Royal Shakespeare Theatre to see a production of David Walliams', "The Boy in the Dress."
Please see the letter sent home in book bags for more information.

Dennis is 12 years old and his school football team's star striker. But when Mum leaves home, life is tough. The only reminder Dennis has of Mum is a photo of her in a beautiful yellow dress. A dress rather like the one on the cover of *Vogue* on sale at Raj's newsagents. And also a bit like the one that Lisa James, the coolest girl in the school, is sketching in her note book. What do you do if you like both football and dresses? And what will Mr Hawtrey the headteacher do when he discovers that his strict uniform code has been broken by a boy in a dress?

David Walliams' heart-warming comedy is brought to the stage for the first time in a musical with all new songs from Robbie Williams and Guy Chambers, script by former RSC playwright in residence Mark Ravenhill and in a production for all the family directed by RSC Artistic Director Gregory Doran.

KS2 Theatre Trip



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Article 31: Leisure, Play and Culture

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Christmas Holiday Dates

Monday 23rd December 2019

TUESDAY 24TH DECEMBER 2019*

Thursday 2nd January 2020

Friday 3rd January 2020

*Christmas Eve is a special day and not included in the three day offers. The offering of Multi-Sports and Dance remains the same but will run 9.30-12.30pm and cost £7, no packed lunch is needed.

Dates	Multi-Sports	Dance
Mon 23RD	W M	W
Tues * 24TH	W M	W
Thurs 2ND	W M	W
Fri 3RD	W M	W



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All prices are per child and valid during the same week

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£3 per Session

VENUE	EARLY	LATE
W	✓	✓
M	✓	✓



For more information on how to book please visit

www.onsidecoaching.co.uk

Our February Half-Term and Easter Dates are available too

PTA 5p Challenge



Keep on sending in any spare five pence pieces to fill your child's class bottle and win a prize. At the moment, Y1 CD are in the lead!

Free School Meals

If you think you might be eligible for free school meals, please **apply online** using the following link www.warwickshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals or **by phone** via the customer service centre on **01926 359189**.

These methods of application are quick, easy and allow parents to utilise their existing account set up initially to apply for a school place. The online portal now includes:

- 2 year nursery funding
- School places, i.e starting school, changing school and moving onto secondary school
- Registration for the 11+ selection test
- Apply for free schools meals

Please be aware that the Free Schools Meals team **no longer** have the capacity to process paper applications and this manual method of applying is likely to result in a delay for parents to receive an outcome to their request.

Please also see the flyers on the next two pages.

Why fork out for Free School Meals?



**If your child is in primary school in
Warwick district, you can check to see
if you are getting your full entitlement.**



Warwickshire Welfare Rights Advice Service (WWRAS) is a free and confidential service that can help you identify any benefits that you may be entitled to, including Free School Meals.



Get in touch with WWRAS

Email: info@wwras.org.uk

Phone: 02476 372069

Visit www.warwickdc.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals



Diary Dates

Wednesday 4th December	YR Nativity at 9.30am—YR parents/carers are warmly invited to attend.
Wednesday 4th December	Parents' Evening, 3.30—7.00pm.
Thursday 5th December	Parents' Evening, 3.30—5.30pm.
Tuesday 10th December	YR Christmas Crafternoon, 2.00—3.00pm
Wednesday 11th December	Y1 and Y2 carol concert, 9.30—10.15am in the hall. All Y1/2 parents/carers are warmly invited to attend.
Thursday 12th December	Y3/4 carol and recorder concert, 2.00—2.30pm in the hall. Please note the change of time.
Wednesday 11th December	Y1 and Y2 carol concert, 9.30—10.15am in the hall. All Y1/2 parents/carers are warmly invited to attend.
Thursday 12th December	Y3/4 carol and recorder concert, 2.00—2.30pm in the hall. Please note the change of time.
Wednesday 11th December	Y1 and Y2 carol concert, 9.30—10.15am in the hall. All Y1/2 parents/carers are warmly invited to attend.
Wednesday 11th December	Rainbows tea party at 2.45pm.
Thursday 12th December	Y3/4 carol and recorder concert, 2.00—2.30pm in the hall. Please note the change of time.
Thursday 12th December	Christmas Crafts for Y1 & 2, 9.15—10.45am.
Thursday 12th December	Y6 height and weight checks.
Friday 13th December	Y5/6 carol and recorder concert, 2.00—2.30pm in the hall. Please note the change of time.
Friday 13th December	YR/1/2 visit Warwick Arts' Centre to watch a performance of "Father Christmas" at 1.30pm.
Monday 16th December	Rocksteady concert at 2.00pm.
Monday 16th to Wednesday 18th December	PTA Present Wrap Room.
Tuesday 17th December	Christmas Lunch.
Thursday 19th December	YR Christmas party, PM.
Thursday 19th December	Pop-up planetarium in school for Y1
Friday 20th December	MUFTI/Christmas jumper day. Please bring a donation of 50p per child for School Fund.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY Monday 23rd December 2019—Friday 3rd January 2020

Return to school on Monday 6th January 2020

INSET Days

School will be closed for INSET (teacher training) on:

Friday 31st January 2020

Monday 20th April 2020

Monday 20th July 2020

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Thank you to all our parents who have booked their child a Christmas dinner. We have had a great response and are really looking forward to the event.

Unfortunately the deadline has now passed and we cannot accept any further bookings.

Updated NHS Guidance

Please be aware of the following, updated guidance from the NHS regarding return to school after sickness and/or diarrhoea:

Please note the following guidance from the NHS. Children should have been free from symptoms for 48 hours before returning to school.

How long diarrhoea and vomiting last

In adults and children:

- diarrhoea usually stops within 5 to 7 days
- vomiting usually stops in 1 or 2 days

Diarrhoea and vomiting can spread easily

Important

Stay off school or work until you have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 2 days



Attendance Matters

...every school day counts!

Well done to Y4 AH who had the highest attendance at school this week with a brilliant 97%

Attendance for other classes this week was as follows:

Y2 CP	95%
Y3 JML	95%
Y4 RA	85%
Y6 JvS	95%
YR RK	93%
Y1 EL	93%
Y2 AP	93%
Y3 JL	93%
Y5 CB	93%
Y4 SM	91%
Y6 KG	89%
YR LS	82%
Y1 CD	81%

Please note that our school attendance target is 97%. **The minimum acceptable attendance, as stipulated by Warwickshire Local Authority, is 95%.**

Low attendance results in poorer educational progress and attainment.

Sydenham Super Stars!



Congratulations to all of this week's YR/ KS1 Sydenham Super Stars!

Sydenham Super Stars!



Congratulations to all of this week's KS2 Sydenham Super Stars!

Thank you, everybody, for a lovely week at school.

Best wishes from Miss Glenny and Miss Challand