



Welcome back to a new academic year and how fast this first term is already passing us by.

Lots has been happening across the school as you will see in our first half termly newsletter. The recent trip to France was a huge success. We are so proud of how our pupils conducted themselves throughout the whole trip. Their behaviour was exemplary when as they visited the Tyne Cot which is a WW1 cemetery.

We are always willing to work with parents/carers to resolve any difficulties but please remember our staff may not always be available to speak with you immediately as they may be teaching or supporting pupils. This may mean they contact you at the end of the working day. If it is a safeguarding concern please ask to speak with one of our Lead DSL's - Jenny Francis or Ian McMahon. Ian is new to our school and joined us towards the end of the summer term as an Assistant Headteacher and oversees the quality of education across the school. He brings lots of experience and his passion for working with our pupils is the first thing everyone comments on when they meet him, including our pupils.

Mrs Kate Beale, Headteacher

Highlights from last term

Key stage 2 were thrilled with the SATs results and so proud of all of the Year 6 pupils. Key Stage 2 also started their own football team 'Lindsworth Lightning' and took part in their first fixtures.

Year 7 – headed off to Cosford and had a fantastic day!

Year 8 - took part in a interschool football competition as part of sports day, showed amazing team work and took home the win!

Year 9 – had a fantastic week at school and celebrated with a coronation party for the King

Year 10 – The GCSE PE group took part in a basketball fixture last year. The staff were exceptionally proud of the young people's performance and sportsmanship and a special shout out to the Captain **Daniel**

Year 11 – We had some very impressive GCSE results this year and are very proud that 95% of our year 11 left with a qualification.

6 of our year 11's also completed their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award .

This term

Exciting!

On 26th September, 25 of our pupils are heading to France for a languages and sports trip. 4 of those pupils are Year 11 who will be completing their Junior Sports Leadership Award by supporting the younger pupils. We're all very excited about this amazing opportunity and hope they have the best time!

Duke of Edinburgh Award

We will be offering spaces to pupils across Year 9 and 10 to complete their Bronze award this year. Including a 2 night residence. Watch out for the letter.

Residential Trips are back this year..... Look out for your year groups coming up!

Lower school sports day July 2023



Shout out to Alex (11) for his amazing GCSE results!

Shout out to Damian and Jevani in Key Stage 2 for a fantastic start to the year!

Shout out to Jamie (11) for a fantastic start to Science GCSE this year.

Do you have X? (twitter) have you found our school?
Have a look for weekly shout outs and information

Important dates

Teacher Training Day - Mon 16 October 2023

Half Term: Mon 30 October 2023 to Fri 3 November 2023

Progress Day: Thurs 7th December 2023

Term Ends: Fri 22 December 2023

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| 95% | 47 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days |
| 90% | 95 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 16 days in total or 3 weeks and 1 day |
| 85% | 142 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 24 days in total or 4 weeks and 4 days |
| 80% | 190 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 32 days in total or 6 weeks and 2 days |

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

WHAT DO YOUR ATTENDANCE FIGURES ACTUALLY MEAN?

BE SMART BE THERE!

Percentages based on 190 academic days



Year 7 trip to Cosford March 23



September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

Internet Safety

As a school we are seeing an increase in issues with students due to their online activities. E-safety is an important part of keeping children safe online.

Students are taught and discuss e-safety as part of both the ICT and PSHE curriculum. We have extended form time to refresh, re-visit and discuss some of the new issues that are occurring.

We really want our students to be safe and behave appropriately online. If we work with you we can ensure the message is consistent. Your help is needed to talk to your children about their behaviour online. Children are accessing far more different content and technologies that we were ever exposed to in our childhood. We advise that supporting your child online might include strategies such as:

Establishing clear ground rules.

Use real stories and current news as a way in.

Install antivirus software, secure your internet connection and use Parental Control functions for computers, mobile phones and games consoles to block unsuitable content or contact.

Remember that parental control tools are not always 100% effective and sometimes, unsuitable content can get past them, so don't rely on them alone to protect your child.

Always ensure your child knows how to block or report people online who send nasty or inappropriate messages or content. Encourage your child not to retaliate or reply.

Make sure your child knows to tell an adult they trust if they see something online that makes them feel scared, worried or uncomfortable.

I enclose a leaflet that includes links to organisations that can support you in these matters. I would particularly recommend www.saferinternet.co.uk that provides a really user-friendly breakdown of how to manage privacy and security settings on each of the main social network applications.

If you require any further support or have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me and I will endeavor to try and help.

Kind regards,

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