

Newsletter February 2024





We had an amazing start to the Spring Term. The children took part in many enrichment activities. Take a look at all of these wonderful opportunities throughout the

revsletter.

Please take the time to read and make use of the important information included from West Midlands Fire Service, West Midlands Violence Reduction Partnership and Safer School App further down in this rewsletter.

Thank you for your ongoing support. We are looking forward to working with you this half term.



Our long serving Lunchtime Supervisor and Kids Club worker Rubina retired this half term. She will be greatly missed but we wish her all the best in her retirement.



We aim for all children to achieve 96% or above attendance. Currently 206 (less than half of the children on roll) are achieving 96% or above. 109 children are below 90%. If your child is absent from school please report to the school office 0121 675 0618 or send an email to enquiry@slade.bham.sch.uk 3P 5B IFR 92.40% 93.29% 89.27% 5EP 3B IG. 95.35% 86.52% 96.15% 2G 6B 4S 90.88% 95.59% 93.26% 2J 4AT 6ZB 90.70% 94.20% 92.10%





Congratulations to the children who achieved their Children's University awards. Keep up the great work!



WILLERSLEY CASTLE YEAR 4 RESIDENTIAL









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Year 4 had an amazing time at Willersley Castle in January.

The children experienced making their own camp fires, bush crafts, building shelters, grass sledging, rock climbing and axe throwing!

















YOUNG VOICES 2024



Slade choir performed alongside other schools, including our partnership school Mere Green at Birmingham Resorts World for Young Voices 2024.

They were amazing.

All of their the hard work they put in really paid off. Thank you to Miss Begun, Miss Jackson and Mr Preece who made the visit possible and worked with the children to learn the songs.



Well done to our children who continue to read daily and build their skills through the use of Reading Plus. Reading opens the doorway to all other learning

and is a priority across our school. We look forward to seeing many more children receiving their reading plus certificates over the coming terms.









This week 8 children from Years 5 and 6 visited the Aston Villa Brookvale Facility where they took part in a tournament against other schools, scoring a total of 5 magnificent goals!

YEAR 1 Football Fun



On Thursday 29th February, Year I will be going on an afternoon trip to Aston Villa Brookvale Facility for a special one-hour football fun session. This session will be conducted by their experienced academy coaches and will provide an engaging and enjoyable introduction to the world of football and physical activity. We ask for a £5 contribution towards the travel, this can be paid via MCAS.

Little People, BIG DREAMS

Be Bold, Be Brave, DREAM BIG!

Unleash Your Story, Ignite Your Imagination: Celebrating Heroes and Inspirations on World Book Day!

Get ready for an exciting World Book Day celebration at Slade on Thursday 7th March! This year, we're inviting the children to come dressed as their heroes, someone who inspires them, or even as their future selves they aspire to be.

Encourage your child to think beyond the pages of their favourite books and explore the real-life heroes who inspire them. Whether it's a historical figure, a fictional character, or someone they look up to in their everyday life, this is an opportunity for them to bring their literary inspirations to life!

We want to spark their imaginations and fuel their dreams. Let them dream big and share their aspirations with their classmates. Whether it's a doctor, an astronaut, a superhero, or any other role model, we're excited to see the creativity and enthusiasm your child will bring to this celebration. Let's make World Book Day a memorable event for our young readers as they step into the shoes of those who inspire them

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World Book Day 2024

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There are some great parent workshops available through West Midlands Violence Reduction Partnership:

"Childline today" session is also aimed at frontline workers, parents/carers, grandparents etc. 28th February 2024, 1-2pm

Childline is the UK's free, 24-hour helpline for children and young people. Run by the NSPCC, Childline gives children and young people up to the age of 19 confidential support with whatever is worrying them. You will find out more about how Childline works, what makes their confidentiality policy so different and how they support and safeguard young people. You will also find out about the range of resources available through the Childline service and how this can help you to support the children around you.

> To register please use link below https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/childline-today

"Understanding County Lines for parents, grandparents and guardians" 29th February 2024, 10-11am.

This St Giles Trust gangs and county lines session consists of speakers with lived experience within the criminal justice system to unpack and explore the realities and consequences of county lines, gang involvement and serious youth violence.

Perspectives from previous perpetrators and runners/transporters, combined with relevant case studies, aid audiences in gaining an authentic and credible understanding of this complex and cross cutting issue.

The session will help parents and carers to identify the signs and triggers that a child or young person might be involved in county lines and gain an understanding of how to appropriately respond to such indicators.

To register please use the link below

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/county-lines-session-for-parents-guardians-and-carers



Dear parents, carers and guardians of Primary aged pupils,

The online world can be a bit overwhelming at times but it is important we understand what our children are doing online so we can help make them safer. The Safer Schools England App aims to help with this.

We are delighted to invite you to download our new Safer Schools England App, provided as part of our school insurance package with Zurich Municipal.



About the App

The App is designed to support and educate children, by empowering them both at school and at home. The App provides your child with relevant, ageappropriate information on popular online safety topics and platforms. As a parent/carer, you will receive advice and guidance on how to help keep them safer online.

Excited? Ready to help keep your children safer online? Download the Safer Schools England App now!

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Make sure you enable push notifications to stay up to date with our advice, guidance, and top tips on the latest online safety topics.



Downloading the App:

Step 1:

If you are using an iOS device, visit the Apple App Store and search 'Safer Schools England'. If you are using an Android device, visit the Google Play store and search 'Safer Schools England'.

Step 2:

Select 'Download'.

Creating An Account:

Step 1:

If you haven't already, please create an account by selecting **your role** on the login screen of the App.

Step 2:

To create an account, click '**Create an account**' and input your full name, email, and password of your choice. You'll also be asked to confirm your password. Once you're ready, click '**Register**' and this will create your account.

Step 3:

After you register, you will be asked to read and agree to the Terms and Conditions. After reading and scrolling to the bottom, select the 'I agree' button will be available to select.

Step 4:

Time to select your school! To add your school, simply type your school name in the search bar and click 'Continue'.



App Store

Google Play

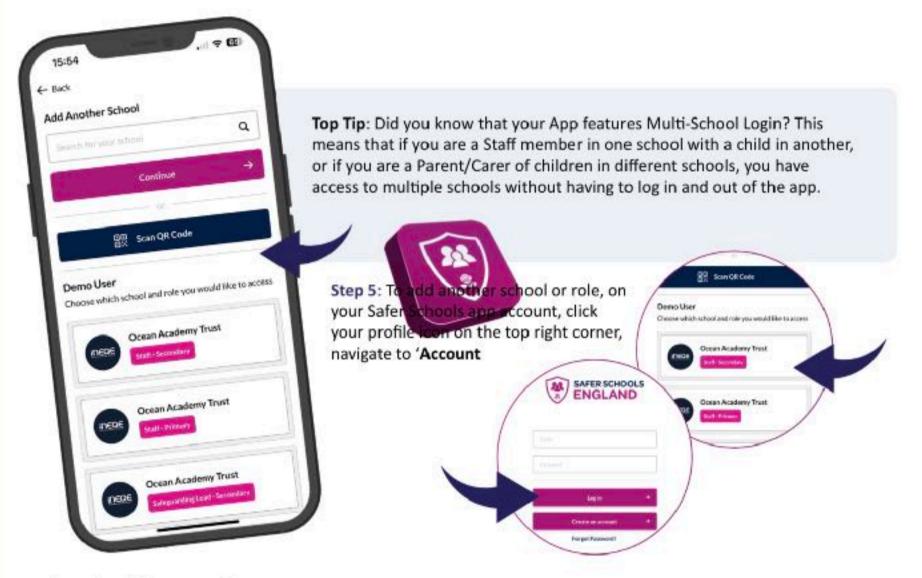




You will then be asked to input your entry code that you have received from your school that is

relevant to your role. Type in your code and click 'Submit'. You'll be asked to confirm this by clicking 'Continue'.

Alternatively, if you have been given a QR entry code by your school, when adding your school simply select 'Scan QR Code' and scan your code.



Logging into your App:

Step 1: When you open the App, you should input your email address and password that you used to create your account. Once you're ready, click 'Log In'.

Step 2: When you log in, you will see your chosen school(s) that you have added to your account. Simply click the school that would like to view!



SPRING TERM 2024

HALF TERM - Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February 2024 Term starts - Monday 19th February 2024 Term Ends - Friday 22nd March 2024

SUMMER TERM 2024

Staff Training Day - Monday 8th April 2024 Term Starts - Tuesday 9th April 2024 May Bank Holiday - Monday 6th May 2024 HALF TERM - Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May 2024

Term starts - Monday 3rd June 2024 Staff Training Day - Friday 5th July 2024 Term Ends - Friday 19th July 2024 Staff Training - Monday 22nd July 2024

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SPRING TERM 2024

26th Feb. 9-10am - PARENT COFFEE MORNING IN THE STUDIO 29th Feb. 9.15-10.15 - CEOP PARENT WORKSHOP WITH PCSO 1st March 9am - YEAR 3 CLASS ASSEMBLY 4th-8th March - YEAR 6 ATLP PARIS RESIDENTIAL 6th March 8.45-9.45 - SEND COFFEE MORNING WITH MRS SMITH 7th March - WORLD BOOK DAY 11th-15th March - ASSESSMENT WEEK FOR ALL PUPILS 15th March 9am - YEAR 2 CLASS ASSEMBLY 15th March - FAMILY LUNCH (FURTHER LETTER TO FOLLOW) 20th March 12.55-6.10pm - PARENT CONSULTATIONS (APPOINTMENTS) 21st March - PUPIL KNIFE CRIME WORKSHOP WITH PCSO 22nd March 9am - EASTER BONNET PARADE FOR EYFS, YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2

SUMMER TERM 2024

<u>12th April 9-10 an</u> - PARENT COFFEE MORNING IN THE STUDIO <u>15th March</u> - JUNIOR PCSO TRAINING SESSIONS START (if your child is taking part, you will receive a notification) <u>1st May 2.30pm</u> - RECEPTION CLASS ASSEMBLY <u>2nd May</u> - LOCAL ELECTIONS (year group closures TBC) <u>9th May</u> VIRTUAL REALITY KNIFE CRIME WORKSHOP FOR YEAR 5 <u>13th-17th May</u> KS2 SATS