

November 2022

Outdoor Learning Project

An exciting new project is due to get underway in November on our extensive school grounds. As you will know from



Sports Day last year, we are very lucky to have a large amount of grass area to the right of the Nursery building. Over the past few years we have applied for several grants to help develop this into a more useable space for the children

to enhance their outdoor learning. Half of the area will be maintained for sporting events, whilst the other half will be developed into four zones.

Zone 1—Forest / Orchard area with native trees.

Zone 2—Wild sensory garden to attract wildlife and increase pollination

Zone—3 Growing garden for fruits and vegetables

Zone 4—Learning and exploration

We hope to have the work completed by late Spring, but it is quite a major renovation. The grant money awarded to school will fund part of the project but further money will be needed. It is hoped PTA events throughout this year will complete the project and ensure it is ready for the children to use in the Summer term.

School Uniform

Now that most covid restrictions have been lifted, all children should wear their full school uniform (including black shoes) to school everyday. If children have PE or an afterschool activity they should bring their PE kit to school to change into .



PTA—Halloween Event

The PTA met at the beginning of October and are excited to present some family activities over the coming months.

Our first event is a movie afternoon on Friday, 28th October. Children in Years 3-7 will be treated to some spooky treats and a movie from 2pm—4pm. Families are asked to make a donation towards the afternoon.

Years 1-2 will have a Halloween party in their classrooms on Friday afternoon, led by the teachers.

- All children can come to school in Fancy dress on
- Friday 28th — nothing too scary as the teachers
- are easily spooked!



PTA—Christmas Events

The PTA are looking forward to organising a 'Supper With Santa' event in December. We will be in touch soon with confirmed dates and further information.



The funds raised by our PTA this year will help to fund the school Outdoor Learning Development.

Christmas Events

Yes I know it is only October! However preparations for Christmas are well underway.

Personalised Christmas cards are available to purchase on the School Money App until Friday 28th October, after this date the orders will be placed.

Children's Christmas crafts will be available to purchase on the School Money App from Monday 7th November. These will be available for collection from school at our 'Supper With Santa'.

Year 1-2 will have a festive morning in school planned with lots of fun festive activities, treats and hopefully a special visitor (if he's not too busy!) on Monday 5th December.

Year 3 –7 will go to see the Pantomime on Monday 5th December, the deposit can be paid on the School Money App until Thursday 27th October.

Years 1-4 look forward to inviting parents into school to share their Christmas performances, provisional dates are as follows Y1-2 Tuesday, 13th December at 1:30pm. Year 3-4 Thursday, 15th December at 1:30pm. Children can go home with their parents after the performance.

Years 5-7 will host a Carole Service on Tuesday 20th December a 7pm to get everyone in the Festive Spirit, we would love you to join us.



PATHS

Our school has invested in the PATHS Programme—

The PATHS ® Programme for Schools empowers all children to develop the fundamental social and emotional learning skills which will enable them to make positive choices throughout life. Follow the link below to find out more about the PATHS ® programme.

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We would like to invite parents to an information morning on Tuesday 22nd November 9:15am, where there will be an opportunity to discover more.

Dates for your diary!

Mon 31st—Fri 4th Nov	Half Term	(Children should not attend)
Monday 14th Nov	Odd Socks Day + Anti-Bullying week	
Tuesday 22nd Nov	PATHS information morning	
Monday 5th Dec	Trip to the Millennium Forum 'Cinderella'	
Tuesday 20th Dec	Carol service	
Wednesday 21st Dec	Half Day—Start of Christmas Holiday	