

Dear All,

Blink and you will have missed January and the first month of 2024!

The children have been putting a lot into this first month back. We are so pleased with how they conduct themselves both in their classrooms and around the school following our 'Relentless Routines'. We are pleased to add legendary lining up, fantastic walking, super sitting and active listening. All designed to support our children to fully access learning whilst they are in school.

Thank you to all of you who attended Parents Evening. Do remember if you are worried about your child's learning please contact the school, members of SLT are always on the gate or you can pop into the main office.

We do have a Goodbye to mention....

We are sad to announce that Mr Cooke will be leaving this half term. He has always wanted to teach in a special school and when the opportunity arose, he had to make the difficult decision to leave Queen Vic. We wish Mr Cooke well in his new school.

<u>Term Dates</u>

Friday 9 th February	Last day of Term
Monday 19 th February	Inset Day
Tuesday 20 th February	Start of school term

Friday 22 nd March	Last day of term
Monday 8 th April	Start of School Term
Monday 6 th May	School closed (May Day)

Assembly Dates

Thursday 1st February-5M at 9.15am

Thursday 8th February-3A at 9.15am

Thursday 22nd February-3H at 9.15am

Thursday 29th February-3M at 9.15am

Late Charge

Please note in line with our school Charging and Remissions Policy,

which is available on the school website, if you are later than 10 minutes collecting your child from school there will be a £3.50 charge as they will need to be put into our Afterschool club.

If you have any questions please speak to the school office.

School Choir

Our school choir runs every Wednesday 3.30-4.30pm. if you child is in Year 3,4,5,6 and is interested in attending, please see the school office.





December Attendance Extravaganza

Well Done to all those children who were entered into our prize draws throughout December. There were 24 gift bags given out and the 3 main prizes of scooters were won by children in year 2, 4 and 6. Four lucky parents won either an Amazon gift card or a family ticket to the zoo. Thank you all for your continued support in improving school attendance.

Congratulations to our 138 children who will be receiving their Bronze Star Award for achieving 98% or above attendance for the Autumn Term. The winner of the draw for the family food voucher is Jak in Year 6.

We also have 149 children who will be receiving an Attendance Tuck Shop Voucher and certificate for 100% or improved attendance for the last half term.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

As you are aware the Government are leading a Campaign to improve school attendance so we are asking you to work with us as a school to improve our attendance.

What **YOU** must do:

- Try to telephone the school before 8.30am each day of your child's absence.
- Tell the school in advance of any medical appointments and bring in appointment cards/letters.
- If you are not sure whether your child is well enough to attend school, send them in anyway as they often perk up on arrival.
- If you or your child are experiencing difficulties with school attendance then talk to us as a first step so we can help!

What **WE** will do:

- Check your child's attendance every day.
- Phone home to discuss your child's attendance with you.
- Invite you into school for attendance meetings if we are concerned,
- If we cannot establish a reason for absence, then we may make a welfare home visit.



MMR vaccine clinics

Sandwell:

Saturday 27 January, 9am-1.30pm, Wood Lane Community Centre, Wood Lane, West Bromwich, 8709PT. To book an appointment call 0121 592 1110.

Walsall:

Saturday 27 January, 9am-1,30pm, South & Central Locality Hub, Birchills Street, Walsall, WS2 BNF. To book an appointment call 01922 902035.

Saturday 3 February, 9am-3pm, vaccination van located outside Poundland@ep8Co in Walsall Town Centre, Lower Hall Lane, 5t Matthews Quarter, W51 1PU. Walk In, no appointment needed.

Wolverhampton:

Saturday 27 January, 10am-4pm, Park Village Education Centre, Cannock Road, Wolverhampton, WV10 08A. Walk in, no appointment needed.

Saturday 27 January, 9am-3pm, vaccination van located at Bilston Market, Pinfold Street, Wolverhampton, WV14 0DN. Walk in, no appointment needed.



For details of where the clinics are, please see details attached or visit our website at bleckcountry icb.nhs.uk/measles

Queen Victoria Friends of the School

Now Queen Victoria is part of the Stour Vale Academy, and Covid is now a distant memory, it is time to bring back the Friends of the School. Holding fundraising events will help with funding for the school to buy additional resources to make Queen Victoria that extra bit special for our pupils.

If any parents are interested in helping, please email:

nstokes@queen-vic.dudley.sch.uk

or the school office:

info@queen-vic.dudley.sch.uk

Summer Fair

Coffee Mornings

Christmas Fair

Dise

Disco

Breakfast with Santa

We welcome any more ideas

