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Friday 18th October 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Spooky Disco



We will be hosting a 'Spooky disco' after school on **Monday 21st October 2024**. The Disco will commence from **3.30pm - 4.30pm**. Entry will be **£1.50**; you can now **purchase the entry fee on Parent Pay**, which will be displayed as "Spooky Disco 2024". The entrance fee will include a snack and drink. Please if you would like your child/children to attend please make payment by 9am Monday 21st October 2024.

Academy Photography



Academy Photography will be in school on **Thursday 24th October 2024** to photograph individuals and siblings. **Please ensure your child is wearing their normal full school uniform on this day**. Family photographs will start from 08:15am. Please come to the main school office to sign in and Photographs will be taken in the school hall.

Beeston Castle Educational Visit - Hydra Class - Thursday 7th November 2024



This term Hydra children will have the opportunity to enhance their learning with an educational visit to **Beeston Castle**. This will take place **Thursday 7th November 2024**; learners will need to **arrive in school at 7.50am** for a prompt 8:15am set off. We will return to school at approximately 3.15pm. In order to support the school fund learning outside the classroom, we are kindly asking for a contribution of **£10.00**. Payments are to be made via Parent Pay.

Peak Wildlife Educational Visit - Nursery/Reception (Columba & Columba R) - Thursday 5th December 2024



This term learners in Columba (Nursery and Reception) will have the opportunity to enhance their learning with an educational visit to **Peak Wildlife Park**. This will take place on **Thursday 5th December 2024**; learners will need to arrive in school at 8:45 for a prompt 9:30am set off. We will return to school at approximately 1:30pm. In order to support the school's budget for learning outside of the classroom, we kindly ask for a contribution of **£10.00** to be paid via ParentPay



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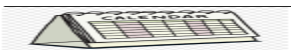
Nursery learners coming on the educational visit will need to provide their own packed lunch. When we arrive back 1:30pm. Your child will either need to be picked up or booked into Space Cadets.

Space Cadets – Before and After School Club (based at Squirrel Hayes First School)



We understand that working around the school day can sometimes pose a challenge with the increasing demands of work and home life. Space Cadets is based at Squirrel Hayes First School and runs a before and after school club for school aged children aged 4 to 11 years old. Breakfast club runs from 7.30am - 8:45am (Squirrel Hayes children can just turn up so long as they are registered with Space Cadets). After school club runs from 3.15pm-6.00pm (needs to be pre-booked). Space Cadets also run a holiday club available from 7.30am to 6.00pm. For further information please either speak to the office or call Krystle 07500803876.

Important Dairy Dates



Please find below a table of events that have been planned for the Autumn Term. Please note that we always try our best to stick to the planned dates and times but on occasion's changes have to be made due to unforeseen circumstances. If this is the case, we will always try to give you as much notice as possible. Please note dates in blue have been added or changed:

DATE	EVENT	CLASS
Monday 21 st October 3:30pm - 4:30pm	Spooky Disco	All classes
Tuesday 22 nd October 6:30-8:00pm	Full Governing Body Meeting	Governors
Thursday 24 th October	Academy Photography (Individual & siblings photographs)	All classes
Friday 25 th October	School closes at 3:15pm for the Half Term break	All classes
Monday 4 th November	School opens at 08:45am for all children following the half term break	All classes
Monday 4 th November 09:00am - 9:30am & 5:00pm - 5:30pm	MTC (Multiplication Times Tables Check) workshop/Information session for Parents/Carers	Draco class
Thursday 7 th November	Beeston Castle Educational Visit	Hydra class
Thursday 8 th November	NHS Flu Team in school all day	All classes
Sunday 10 th November	Remembrance Parade - Biddulph	Year 4 Representatives
Monday 11 th November 09:00am - 9:30am & 5:00pm - 5:30pm	Phonics Screener workshop/information session for Parents/Carers	Hydra class
Wednesday 13 th November 2:40pm	Anti-bullying Assembly - Parents/Carers invited Odd Socks Day	All classes



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Friday 15 th November	Children in Need - themes day for charity	All classes
Wednesday 27 th November 1:30-3:00pm & 3:30-6:30pm	Parent Consultations	All classes
Tuesday 3 rd December 6:00-8:00pm	Full Governing Body Meeting	Governors
Wednesday 4 th December 3:30pm - 5:00pm	Christmas Fair	All classes
Thursday 5 th December	Peak Wildlife Educational Visit	Nursery and Reception
Tuesday 10 th December 2:00pm & 6:00pm	Christmas Performance	Hydra & Draco
Date TBC 1:30-2:30pm	Whole School Church Performance & Carols	All classes
Monday 16 th December 3:30-4:30pm	Christmas Disco	All classes
Tuesday 17 th December	Christmas Lunch - Parents/Carers invited	All classes
Thursday 19 th December	Christmas Party day	All classes
Friday 20 th December	Christmas Jumper Day	All classes
Friday 20 th December	School closes for the Christmas Holiday at 3:15pm	All classes
Monday 6 th January 2025	School opens at 08:45am at the start of the New Year	All classes

Yours sincerely,
 Mrs E. J. Pickford (Headteacher) & Team