

Message from Miss Anderson

This week we introduced our new houses to the children. We have 4 houses all named after environmentalists, we know that our children care greatly about sustainability. All siblings have been placed into the same houses so they will be able to attend various house events together moving forwards. Ask your child whether they are in Attenborough, Goodall, Kahumbu or Maathai and see what facts they can remember from their first house assembly.

Unfortunately we were only able to host our EYFS sports day due to the usual unpredictable British weather. So far Attenborough and Goodall are tied first - who will be house champions after Y1-3 and Y4-6 events next week?

I'm really excited to share that Miss Egan has completed her forest school training, this means that next year EYFS and KS1 will have regular weekly slots to visit our forest school and KS2 will have termly visits. We have had a forest school expert visit us to help us develop our site and it was so brilliant to watch our reception children have an initial explore.



Our week in EYFS

What an amazing week our youngest children have had this week!

They all enjoyed sports day this week. Children tried very hard in all the races, the egg and spoon race looked difficult but as ever our children showed resilience to achieve their goal. Children enjoyed their ice lollies after the event.

Nursery have enjoyed learning about China. They have tried noodles and learnt a dragon dance.

Reception have also enjoyed reading the story 'Handa's Surprise.' They have had the opportunity to try different fruits. They have tasted juicy mango, spiky pineapple and creamy avocado. The pictures show what they thought of the fruits!



Our week in key stage 1

Over the last few weeks Year 1 have been writing their own song. They linked it to their Theme topic 'Can we feed the world?' The children have worked hard collaboratively to change the lyrics of 'Let it go' from Frozen. For inspiration, they listened to other charity songs and took ideas from these. They thought about what was going on in the world and helping people who need it.

Year 2 have started their new unit in English learning to write their own instructions for making a bird feeder. Children have worked collaboratively to make recycled bird feeders, they have hung them outside for the wildlife to enjoy! In theme the children have combined their ideas to undertake fieldwork which will involve a big school field clean up and identifying the areas that need improvement. In art they have continued our sustainable approach by designing musical instruments from recycled materials – we look forward to making them next week!



Our week in lower key stage 2

Year 3 have been exploring calculation strategies and place value. They have used their knowledge of near doubles and number bonds to help solve equations. In Science, the children have looked at different magnets and investigated the strength of different magnets.

Year 4 have been finding out about the environmentalists David Attenborough and Greta Thunberg. In Science, the children have continued their work on electrical circuits.

4.7.23
LO: I can compare and order 4-digit numbers.
How can you solve these calculations mentally and efficiently?

$1,232 + 98 =$
Could you use a near multiple?
 $1230 + 100 =$

$1,232 + 1,233 =$
Could you use a near double?
 $1230 + 1230 =$

$1,232 - 998 =$
Could you find the difference by counting on?

$1,346 + 2,522 =$
Could you apply number bonds?
 40

Monday Tuesday 6th July
Investigating the
Strength of Magnets
Tuesday 6th July 2023
Lo: I can sort magnetic and non-magnetic materials

Sort the mixed materials into those that are magnetic and those that are non-magnetic.

Magnetic	Non-magnetic
Cookie cutters	Handed Taper
Ipod trolley	
Spoon	
loker	
Taper leg	
Sizers	
Wibord frame	

What sorts of materials are magnetic?
~~metal~~ Metal ✓

Are all metals magnetic?
 No ✓

Great work!

8363 / 8366 ✓
2068 / 6267 ✓
7275 / 7185 ✓
2500 / 8183 ✓
2562 / 5025 ✓
1343 / 4362 ✓
4453 / 4326 ✓
4421 / 6663 ✓
4655 / 6543 ✓
3465 / 3343 ✓
5554 / 1133 ✓
4365 / 1422 ✓



Our week in upper key stage 2

This week, Year 6 have enjoyed taking part in a Forest School treat with Miss Egan. The children worked in the forest area to build a range of dens, create pieces of natural artwork and overcome a range of obstacle courses. They worked collaboratively and showed lots of resilience as they completed their tasks.

In Year 5, the children have been learning about the mean average in maths. They worked in pairs to solve problems related to real life situations and were able to apply their knowledge of arithmetic to a range of questions. In Science, the children learnt about the different properties of materials. They were fascinated by the way some materials could shift between the different states of matter and worked hard to understand which changes were reversible and which were not.



Celebrations

Well done to this week's Aspire Ambassadors!

David D

Evie-Mae P

Madison H

Aliyah M

Alexis A

Zethan C

Carter P

Elysia M

Kian M

George W

Teagwen C

Lewis J

Harry C

Peyton B

I can be Collaborative

**I can listen to other people and
share my own ideas to achieve a
joint goal.**



Attendance

This week's Golden Classes

Trent, Avon, Clyde, Hvita, Kuma, Tocantins

This term's attendance event

Inflatable fun for all children whose attendance is 97% (no more than 5 days of absence this academic year) or better coming soon!



PE & Sport Success

Well done to all children on a great EYFS sports day. The children challenged themselves at 4 different events and cheered each other on throughout.

Thank you to all parents who supported the children in what was a great turnout!

Hopefully the sun will shine next week so we can complete our 2 other sports days.



Pastoral

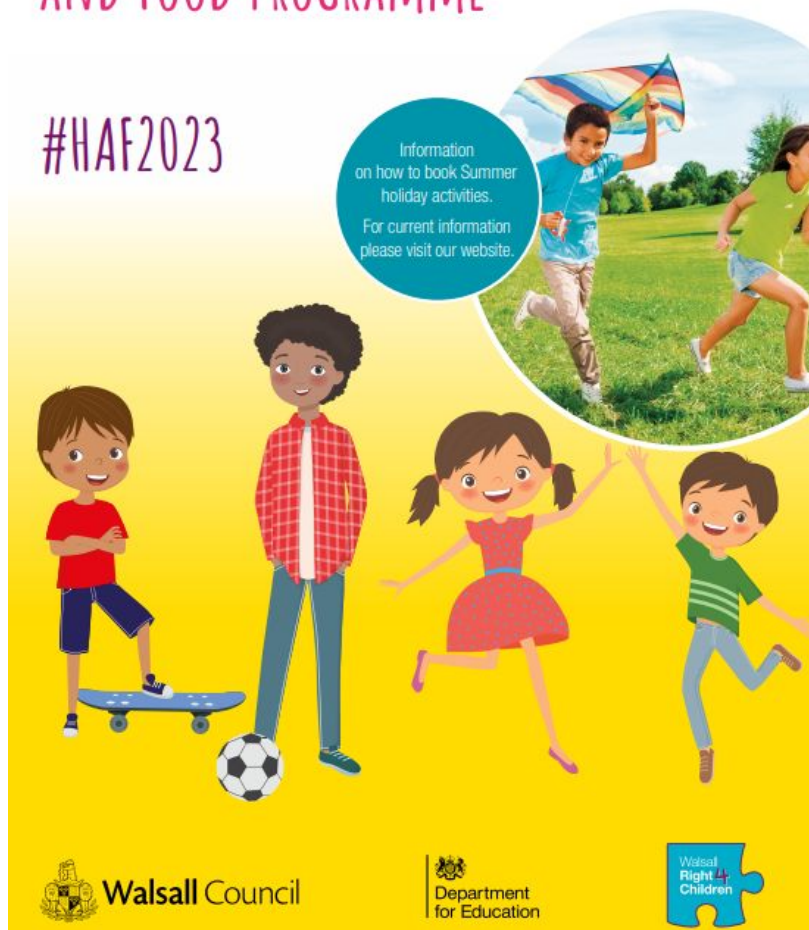
HAF Programme

Eligible families can now sign up for the Summer HAF activities. Rivers Primary Academy will be hosting a coding club and sports camp over the first 3 weeks.

WALSALL SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD PROGRAMME

#HAF2023

Information
on how to book Summer
holiday activities.
For current information
please visit our website.



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Family Bulletin

7 July 2023

This Week/Next Week

This Week	
Monday 10 July	
Tuesday 11 July	1300 Y4-6 Sports Day
Wednesday 12 July	
Thursday 13 July	
Friday 14 July	0900 Celebration Assembly- invitation only 1300 Y6 Walsall Carnival 1430 Summer Fayre

Next Week	
Monday 17 July	
Tuesday 18 July	1630 Y6 Production
Wednesday 19 July	1630 Y6 Production
Thursday 20 July	Whole School Transition Day
Friday 21 July	1700: Y6 Red Carpet Party

PE Days				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 2	Nursery Year 1 Year 5 Year 6	Year 3 Year 4	Year 1 Year 2	Reception Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 Year 6

