

# Newsletter Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2024

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## Information for Parents



What a busy week back! We had a fire drill today and the children were amazing. It's always a challenge but is something we have to do. Well done everyone.

We are changing the newsletter as it was getting very big and focusing on a Pathway each week, but still keeping all the key bits of information. We hope you like it.

And now a strange request, but does anyone work for a tarmac company that could lay a tarmac path to create a sensory garden? Hopefully with mate's rates!!! If you do, please let me know - [office@wfs.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:office@wfs.worcs.sch.uk)

Finally, the dark nights are here please take extra care. This picture shows a child in a yellow coat and the same child in a dark coat - it is frightening.



## ORANGE Class



We hope you all had a lovely half term. All the children have settled back into orange class really well which is amazing. This week the children have enjoyed a fireworks themed music session as well as a firework themed tuff tray and creative activity.



## CHILDREN IN NEED

On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November as a school, we will be celebrating BBC Children in Need Day!

We are all invited to wear pyjamas or Pudsey themed clothing for a £1 donation to the charity.

Throughout the day your child will be taking part in different Pudsey themed activities such as a Pudsey Bear hunt and boogieing away in the danceathon.



## LEMON Class

Lemon class have been getting very crafty, focusing on bonfire night! We have been using pipe cleaners to make our own fireworks and exploring Orchard gardens to collect our own sticks for our bonfire displays.



During our crafty week the children have especially enjoyed sprinkling the tissue paper and glitter over their pictures for their Diwali candles 🥰.



Lemon class have settled well back into their forest school session where they have been exploring our new forest school tools with Rich, using the hammock and had the best time jumping into our big pile of leaves!





# Wyre Forest Christmas Fair

Can you spare some free time?

We would really appreciate any help given to prepare for our Christmas Fair. We need volunteers on:

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November between 8:45am- 10:30am

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December- Anytime between 9:00am-3pm

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December- Anytime between 9:00am-4pm.

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December between 9:30am-11:30am

Any number of hours volunteered will be appreciated, even just 1 hour.

If you can please email [friendsofwyreforestschool@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofwyreforestschool@gmail.com)

Thank you

The FOWFS



## PARENT POP IN

**PARENT POP-IN**  
**WFS PARENTS & CARERS**

EVERY MONDAY  
FROM 2PM IN OUR  
FAMILY HUB

COME ALONG TO ACCESS  
SUPPORT AROUND SEND,  
FINANCES, BEHAVIOUR, SLEEP,  
HOUSING, TRANSPORT AND  
MUCH MORE!

THE SUPPORTING FAMILIES TEAM CAN NOW BE  
CONTACTED VIA EMAIL AT  
[SUPPORTINGFAMILIES@WFS.WORCS.SCH.UK](mailto:SUPPORTINGFAMILIES@WFS.WORCS.SCH.UK)

**19**  
**NOVEMBER**  
**1.30PM**

# Parent Pop-In

## RE & RSE

**Come along to learn about how we  
teach Relationships and Sex Education  
at Wyre Forest School.**

**Explore our resources, chat to staff  
and have any questions answered.**



**If you would like to attend,  
please email Amy Scott:**

[ascott@wfs.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:ascott@wfs.worcs.sch.uk)



# Intro to Autism

Join us for our Intro to Autism sessions.

A two part course with our autism specialist teacher Sue Jones covering use of Communication, visuals and behaviour.

**12th November &**

**1.30 - 2.30**

**10th December**

**@ Russell House**

**2024**

RSVP to [supportingfamilies@wfs.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:supportingfamilies@wfs.worcs.sch.uk)



# Limitless

Wyre Forest Inclusive Cycling

At Stourport Sports Club

## THIS SUNDAY

**November 10th, 11am to 1pm**

**Its still free for a rider and carer**



# Limitless

Wyre Forest Inclusive Cycling

Join us at Stourport Sports Club on  
Sunday 10th of November 11am—1pm  
for one of our inclusive cycle sessions.  
With our specialist equipment, and team  
of cycle coaches & volunteers ,  
we welcome all riders with additional  
needs.

This Sunday





# Communication and Interaction News and Information

Welcome back,  
This term we are focusing on Language and Play.

This week's focus is: Exploratory Play.



Play is important for developing a child's thinking and communication skills. There are different types of play. As your child grows the way their play may change. One of the first types of play is exploratory play.

### What is Exploratory Play?

- It is when children start to learn about the world around them
- They start to learn that they can make things happen e.g. when they bang two bricks together, they make a noise
- Exploratory play uses all the senses such as touch, taste, smell, movement
- They also learn that items have different names and do different things

Here are some fun ideas to help your child experience exploratory play.  
You can use:

- Pieces of different material e.g. cellophane, tissue, bubble wrap
- Ribbons
- Different types of food e.g. jelly, cornflour
- Spoons, lids
- Finger painting
- Water play
- Playdoh
- Different sized tubes, boxes, plastic containers



You could have a box or bag with some of these objects in.  
Make sure the items are safe for your child.



### Picture Resources and Activities for Remembrance day

You will find lots of pictures resources and ideas for activities to learn about Remembrance day from

[Widgit Symbol Resources | Remembrance Day](#)

Kind regards  
Communication team



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# Wyre Forest Christmas Fair

Winter Wonderland Themed Grotto

Santa

Saturday, 7th December

Food and Hot Beverages

Donkeys

11.30am - 2.30pm

Tombola

Stalls

Gift Shop

Choir

Raffle - Main Prize: 4x Tickets to West Midlands Safari Park Santa Experience  
And many more!

The Grinch

1pm-1.30pm



## RUSSELL HOUSE

What We Have Seen Up To This Week At  
Russell House

Group 1

Group 2

Monday

Cinema &  
McDonalds

Bike Track

Tuesday

Fireworks

Swimming

Wednesday

Sports  
Hall

Stourport  
park

Thursday

Remembrance  
craft and visit

Cricket





<b>NOVEMBER 2024</b>	
11	Anti Bullying Week & Armistice/Remembrance Day
14	6 <sup>th</sup> Form Coffee Morning World Diabetes Day
15	Children in Need
18	Road Safety Week
19	Parent RE & RSE Meeting – 1.30pm
22	Christmas Fayre Dress Down/Donation Day
29	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED TO ALL PUPILS – Professional Development Day</b>

<b>DECEMBER 2024</b>	
5	Pathway 4 – Parent Pop In
6	EYFS Parent Support Group – Autism Focus – 1.30pm – 2.30pm at Russell House
7	Christmas Fayre
10	Pathway 1 – Christmas Stay & Play
11	Pathway 2 – Christmas Stay & Play
12	EYFS Nativity – 1.30pm
13	EYFS Nativity – 9.30am
18	Pathway 3 Christmas Concert – 1.30pm
20	Last Day of Term

<b>JANUARY 2025</b>	
6	Term starts
21	Parents Puberty & SEND Meeting - 1.30pm
31	EYFS Parent Support Group – Sensory OT session – 1.30pm – 2.30pm at Russell House

<b>FEBRUARY 2025</b>	
3	Children's Mental Health Week
6	EYFS Stay & Play – 1.30pm
11	Safer Internet Day
12	Parents Evening and Life Beyond School
	<b>17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> February – Half Term</b>

<b>MARCH 2025</b>	
7	World Book Day
21	World Down Syndrome Day
28	EYFS Parent Support Group – coffee and catch up -- 1.30pm – 2.30pm at Russell House

<b>APRIL 2025</b>	
1	Pathway 1 Stay & Play – TBC – Parents Welcome
2	Pathway 2 Easter Stay & Play TBC Autism Awareness Day
3	Year 9 DTP Vaccinations Pathway 4 – Parent Pop In
9	Pathway 3 Picnic in the Park
10	EYFS Easter Event – 1.30pm
11	WFS new building 10-year-old party
11	Last Day of Term
	<b>EASTER HOLIDAY</b>
28	Term starts

MAY 2025	
1	Post 16 – Coffee Morning
5	<b>School Closed</b> - May Bank Holiday
8	Post 14 – Afternoon Tea
14	Pathway 4 – World of Work Event
22	EYFS Stay & Play – 1.30pm
23	EYFS Parent Support Group - coffee & catch up– 1.30pm – 2.20pm at Russell House
	<b>26<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> May – Half Term</b>

JUNE 2025	
2	Term starts
5	World Environment Day
10	Pathway 1 – Summer Picnic – Parents Welcome
13	Father's Day Carer Gift Shop
19	Year 8 HPV Vaccinations
20	6 <sup>th</sup> Form Pride Summer Fayre Dress Down Donation Day
27	Leavers Party Make Music Day

JULY 2025	
1	Pathway 2 – Sports
2	Pathway 2 – Sports
3	Parents new to 6 <sup>th</sup> Form – 9.30am EYFS Sports Day – 1.30pm
4	EYFS Parent Support Group – Pathway Information with Deputy Head & Pathway Leaders – 1.30pm – 2.30pm at Russell House
7	Post 14 & Post 16 - Sports
8	New to Reception Parents Meeting
9	Pathway 2 Celebration Stay & Play
10	Pathway 3 Sports – 9.30am Pathway 1 Sports & Celebration - afternoon
12	Summer Fayre
14	Pathway 1 Sports & Celebration - afternoon
15	Post 14 Class Celebration
16	EYFS Celebration – Morning – TBC Pathway 3 - Awards
17	Pathway 4 – End of Year Awards
18	<b>TERM ENDS</b>

Please note: all the above dates / times are subject to change.

**Please can we remind all Parents & Carers to keep the school office updated with any change of details, i.e., telephone numbers, addresses, list of contacts. Thank you.**