



YEW TREE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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PTA...

This week, the Yew Tree family enjoyed a wonderful summer fayre organised by our fantastic PTA. I am sure you will agree that it really was an enjoyable event which, as well as raise valuable funds for the school, also brought the community together.

In addition to the summer fayre, our PTA have done a fabulous job this year organising a wider range of activities and events. This includes a Christmas fayre, a firework night event, shops for Mothers' Day & Fathers' Day, raffles, ice cream Fridays and much, much more.

They will confirm how much they have raised from this year early in September. However, the funds they donate to the school are invaluable and have previously helped us develop outdoor play, supported enrichment activities (such as the annual Christmas panto) as well as provide a range of resources.

I am very grateful for the support that many of you have shown the PTA. Whether you have donated items for one of our fayres, attended a meeting or supported at an event, your support is appreciated. However, in particular, I would like to thank Mrs Neville and Ms Turton for their tireless leadership of our PTA. They do this work voluntarily – it is not part of their contracts and neither of them have children at the school. Therefore, please do join them, to show your support, at the next PTA AGM on **MONDAY 5th OCTOBER** at **2.30pm**.

Jamie Barry



Our attendance TARGET is 96%.

"Be in to win...!"

Ms Reed is looking forward to opening our Attendance Shop, for the final time this year, on:

MONDAY 13th JULY

This is the final opportunity for children to exchange their stamps for something from our [shop](#). Will anyone have earned enough stamps for the mystery prize?

YEAR 6

As we approach the final week at Yew Tree for our Y6 children, we wanted to remind you of the various activities and events for the children.

As you know, the children will be attending Drayton Manor today and then are involved in Life Skills workshops on Monday and Tuesday next week.

On **WEDNESDAY 15th JULY** it is our Y6 leavers' day. On that day, they will preform their leavers' assembly at **9.30am & 2.00pm** for parents/carers and families (no tickets are needed and no limits on who attends). That evening, at **6.00pm**, two adults can attend to celebrate with the children at their Graduation ceremony (don't worry, this will be finished in time for the football that night).

Please be aware that, on the final day of term, children will be allowed to sign each other's shirts before a special send off at 3.20pm that day.

CLUB & MUSIC PAYMENTS

If your child has secured a place in one of our clubs or music groups for the autumn, please remember that payments are due on:

MONDAY 13th JULY

Unfortunately, places are not confirmed without payment and could be offered to children on the waiting lists.

Y3 RECORDERS

If your child is moving to Y3 in September, they will be looking forward to their recorder sessions with Mr Shepherd. As you can read [HERE](#) this is part of our music curriculum.

If you haven't done so already, do make payments for your child's recorder so they have this ready to go when we return.

BOUNCY DAY

As an end of year treat for the children, we have organised a special 'bouncy day' for all classes on:

WEDNESDAY 15th JULY

We have organised three different bouncy castles/ obstacle courses, suitable for all ages, that day. Please ensure your child is on time that day so that they don't miss their class slot.

EYFS BIKES

We are delighted to have secured grant funding, from Sandwell council, for 10 balance bikes which will be used by our EYFS children.

The balance bikes come fully equipped with helmets and will be such a valuable part of our EYFS curriculum. Do keep an eye out on Twitter (X) for photos of these in use in coming months.

EXERCISE BOOKS

Next week, we shall be sending children home with any exercise books from this year. Therefore, please do send them in with a plastic bag.

Please be aware that we are holding back a sample of books for all subjects for moderation. Therefore, if your child is missing any books, these will follow by October half term.



FREE SCHOOL MEALS & TUCK SHOP

As we have explained before, which you can read about in the letter [HERE](#), there are changes to Free School Meals (FSM) arrangements from September.

If your child is already registered, you do NOT need to do anything. However, it is vital you register your child **NOW** if they have not been registered before. This is especially important if your child is moving to Y3.

Additionally, if your child will be in Y3 next year, please remember they can access the [Tuck Shop](#) each day next year.

BEHAVIOUR BEYOND SCHOOL

Unfortunately, we are aware that there are occasions where children's behaviour outside of school is not acceptable. We become particularly aware of this when the issues occur in the local park/public area and/or the issues spill over into school.

Whilst this is not in school time, we do act in 'loco parentis' so there are occasions where we may need to become involved in the issues if they could impact the school.

We are not there to take on the role of parent/carer. Therefore, with summer coming, we would urge families to ensure they supervise or manage any play at the park.

DATE	EVENT	DATE	EVENT
10.07.26	YR – Y5 Talent Show Day	16.07.26	Y1 Splash day – see details on Dojo
10.07.26	Y6 trip to Drayton Manor	17.07.26	Clarinet performance – 9.00am
13.07.26	Y6 Life Skills workshop – DAY 1	17.07.26	End of year/goodbye assembly – AM
13.07.26	Attendance Shop – OPEN	17.07.26	Break up for SUMMER
13.07.26	AUT club & music payments – DUE	01.09.26	INSET DAY – School closed to pupils
14.07.26	Y6 Life Skills workshop – DAY 2	02.09.26	Start of AUT 1 (for Y1 – Y6 pupils)
14.07.26	Y3 Recorder performance – 9.15am	02.09.26	FOCUS WEEK: Ready to Learn
15.07.26	Bouncy castle day – ALL CHILDREN	02.09.26	EYFS home visits start
15.07.26	Y6 Leavers' assembly - 9.30am/2.00pm	04.09.26	YR Stay & Play sessions
15.07.26	Y6 Graduation – 6.00pm	07.09.26	EYFS staggered intake begins
16.07.26	Y6 SATs results – DUE HOME	07.09.26	5A swimming block starts (2 weeks)