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# Newsletter

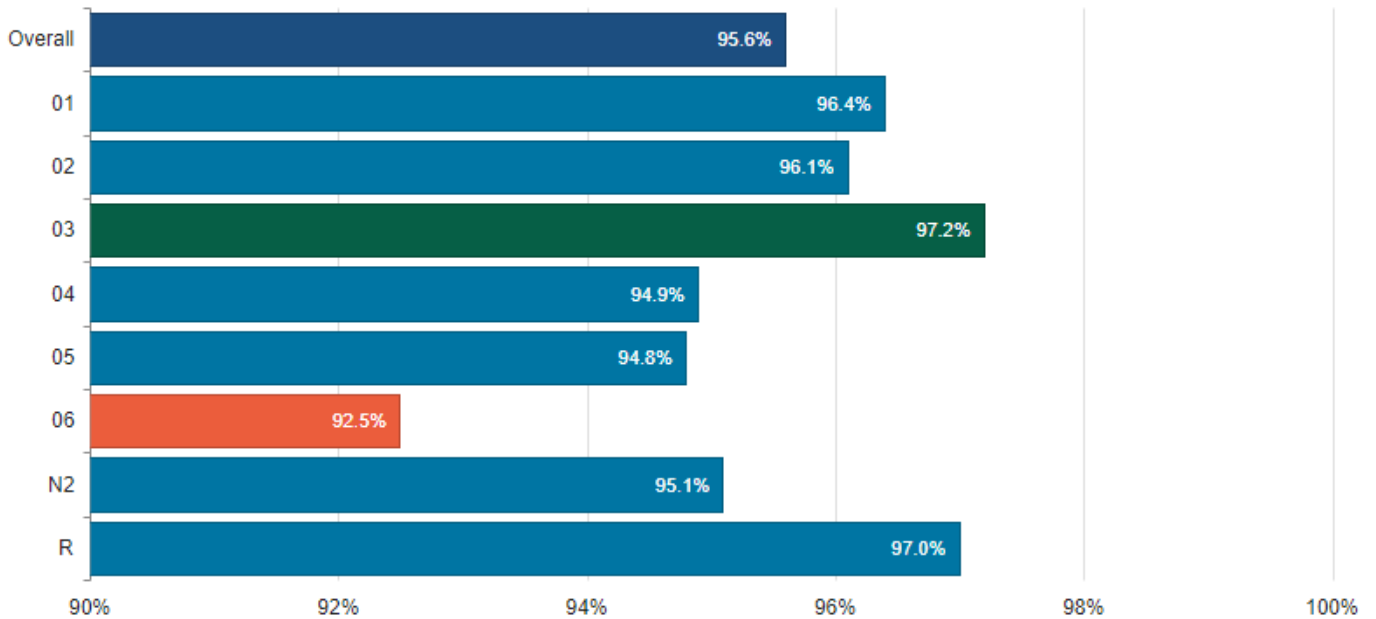
Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2024

**GREENHEART**  
LEARNING PARTNERSHIP

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## Attendance

At Pye Green Academy, we always aspire to high standards of attendance and punctuality. We want to work together with families to ensure that all pupils are ready to learn - we prioritise attendance improvement across the school.



Well done to Year 3 for having the best attendance this week 😊

An attendance certificate will also be given to Reception for attendance over 97% this week!



## Greenheart Updates/School Developments



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This week, KS2 have been enjoying making use of their new basketball post which has been installed on the playground. Along with the reading shed, enquiry area, football zone, skills area, music and chill out zone, the pupils certainly have a range of activities to keep them busy.

Reception playground is also now complete with improved playground markings for them to enjoy.



## PTFA – Committee Nomination

Over many years, members of our PTFA have worked extremely hard and effectively to raise money for the children of our school. The PTFA organises regular social events such as discos, bingo and the annual Christmas/Summer Fairs. For them to be successful and representative, we need as many active members as possible.

This term, we will be holding the PTFA Annual General Meeting (AGM) during which they will elect members of the PTFA Committee and its officers - Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.

The elected members of the committee will be the legal trustees of the PTFA and carry the responsibilities thus entailed.

**Every member of the school community is invited to attend the AGM.  
A date/time will be sent out in due course.**

Even if you do not wish to be a member of the committee, we would welcome your support, and will be drawing up a list after the AGM of people willing to help at PTFA events.

If you wish to stand for election to the PTFA Committee, please collect a slip from the main school office and return it to school by **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2024**.

Applications will need to be proposed and seconded by members of the school community. Nominations for election to the committee may be made by one member of the school community seconded by another. Nominations must have the consent of the nominee.

## Weekly Talking Point

Each week, there will be questions in the newsletter to be used as conversation starters for adults and children to enjoy together.

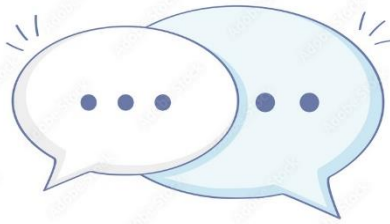
Try using them when you eat your meal together or when you have a quiet time. Turn off the TV and put all phones away and enjoy chatting together 😊

*Follow up*

What do you know more about than your parents?

*Go deeper*

What is a piece of advice you would give to someone younger than you?



What's one thing you know for sure?

Meaningful Chats

## Mental Health Day

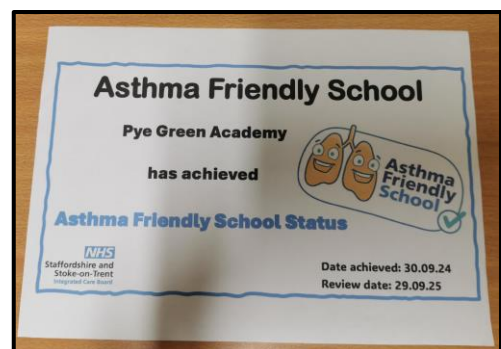
World Mental Health Day is happening on Thursday 10th October 2024. Within school, children will be exploring ways to stay healthy and they will be recognising a range of emotions. Children continue to enjoy their 'Mental Health Champions' weekly session. We have noticed more and more children now have a range of positive strategies to help both themselves and others within school.



## Asthma Friendly School Status

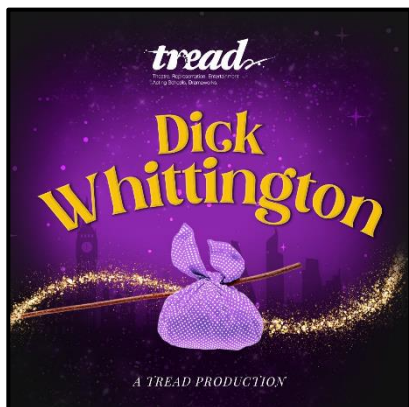
Once again, Mrs Snell has worked hard to secure 'Asthma Friendly' school status for us for another year.

This recognises the partnership arrangements we have between health, education and local authorities for managing children within our school who have asthma.



## Christmas Pantomime

In December, children will be treated to a school performance of the pantomime Dick Whittington. We found out this week that Elisha Duffy (from Channel 4's 'The Dog House') will be playing the role of 'The Cat'.



## Vaping

We have noticed an increase of adults vaping on our school site. Please respect our children and families by not vaping or smoking on school grounds.

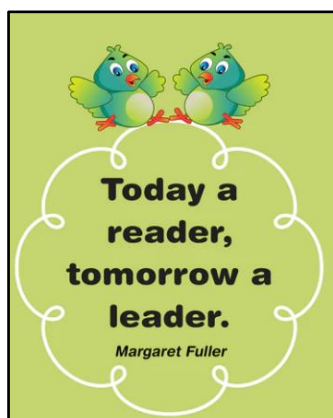


**CLEAN AIR  
AT SCHOOL**

## Pye Green Academy Book Fair

The book fair will once again be available in school on both Tuesday 22nd October and Wednesday 23rd October during parents' evening.

It will also be open after school on Thursday 24th October.



During our last book fair, we managed to raise £525 worth of rewards to use on new books for school which is amazing – thank you 😊



## Head lice

Head lice are very common in young children and their families. They are not caused by dirty hair and are picked up by head-to-head contact.

Head lice are small insects, up to 3mm long and can be very difficult to spot in the hair. Head lice eggs (nits) are brown or white and attach to the hair.

Head lice can make your head feel itchy.

The only way to be sure someone has head lice is by finding live lice.



You can do this by combing their hair with a special fine-toothed comb (detection comb). You can buy these online or at pharmacies.

For further information for how to treat headlice please follow the link below.

[Head lice and nits - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)

### Also Attached to the Newsletter This Week

- Journey to Wellness Flyer
- Community Wellbeing Events
- NHS School Age Immunisation Catch up Clinics

### What's Happening Next Week?

- Y5/6 Football Tournament
- Y2 Coal Mining Trip

### Upcoming Events – More Details to Follow

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October** – Y5/6 Football Tournament

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October** – Y2 Coal Mining Trip

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October** – Parents' Evening (*Y6 only*)

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October** - Parents' Evening (*Y6 only*)

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October** - KS2 Dance Workshop linked to Black History Month

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October** – Tempest Photographer in School

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October** – Artist Matt Sayers working with Year 2

**Week beginning 21<sup>st</sup> October** – Year 6 residential to Laches Wood

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October** – Parents' Evening

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October** – Parents' Evening

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November** – EYFS Nursery Rhyme Week

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November** – KS2 Rocktopus Workshop

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November** – Year 1 Trip to Hednesford Museum

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December** – Nursery Christmas Sing Along

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December** – Reception Nativity @ 10am

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December** – Year 2 Christmas Performance @ 2pm

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December** – Year 1 Christmas Performance @ 9.30am

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December** – Year 3/4 Christmas Concert at Chadsmoor Methodist Church

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December** – whole school pantomime

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December** - Year 5/6 Christmas Concert at Kingsmead @ 1.30pm

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January** – Young Voices

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February** – Parents' Evening

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February** - Parents' Evening

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June** – KS2 Jungle Book production

### **Crucial Assessment Dates for 2024/2025**

**Throughout May 2025** – Y2 SATS tests (Please do not book holidays this month)

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2025** – Year 6 SATS (please do not book holidays this week)

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2025** – Y4 Times Tables Check (please do not book holidays this fortnight)

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2025** – Year 1 Phonics Screening Week (Please do not book holidays this week)

Dates for 2025/2026 can be found by following the link <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/primary-assessments-future-dates>

## School Year 2024 to 2025

### Autumn Term 2024

Monday 2nd September and Tuesday 3rd September 2024. Inset days, school closed to children (INSET DAY 1 and 2)

**Term Starts:** Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September

**Holiday:** Monday 28 October – Friday 1 November

**Term Ends:** Friday 20 December

**Holiday:** Monday 23 December – Friday 3 January

### Spring Term 2025

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January Inset day, school closed to children (INSET DAY 3)

**Term Starts:** Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January

**Holiday:** Monday 17 February – Friday 21 February

**Term Ends:** Friday 11 April

**Holiday:** Monday 14 April – Friday 25 April

### Summer Term 2025

**Term Starts:** Monday 28 April

**May Day:** Monday 5 May

**Holiday:** Monday 26 May – Friday 30 May

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June Inset day, school closed to children (INSET DAY 4)

**Term Ends:** Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July

**Holiday:** Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Friday 29 August

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July Inset day, school closed to children (INSET DAY 5)

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## School Year 2025 to 2026

### Autumn Term 2025

Monday 1 September INSET DAY – School closed to children (INSET DAY 1)

**Term Starts:** Tuesday 2 September

**Holiday:** Monday 27 October – Friday 31 October

**Term Ends:** Friday 19 December

**Holiday:** Monday 22 December – Friday 2 January

### Spring Term 2026

**Term Starts:** Monday 5 January

**Holiday:** Monday 16 February – Friday 20 February

**Term Ends:** Friday 27 March

**Holiday:** Monday 30 March – Friday 10 April

**Easter Sunday:** Sunday 5 April

### Summer Term 2026

**Term Starts:** Monday 13 April

**May Day:** Monday 4 May

**Holiday:** Monday 25 May – Friday 29 May

**Term Ends:** Monday 20 July

**Holiday:** Tuesday 21 July – Monday 31 August

**Week Three Date W/C 07/10/2024**

Primary Menu Week 3	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAYS
Main Course (Red)	Pizza Naan	Fish Stars	Roast Beef & Gravy	Chicken in a Bun	Pizza Selection
Vegetarian Main Course (Green)	Quorn Dippers	Mac 'n' Cheese	Quorn Balls & Gravy	Cheese & Onion Roll	Veggie Burrito
Yellow	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans
Vegetables Carbs	Potato Crunchies Fresh Carrots Baked Beans	Potato Wedges Garlic Bread Sweetcorn Peas	Mashed Potatoes Peas Cauliflower	Diced Potatoes Sweetcorn Fresh Carrots	Chips Green Beans Sweetcorn
Sandwich Option (Blue)	Ham Packed Lunch	Cheese Packed Lunch	Tuna Packed Lunch	Ham Packed Lunch	Cheese Packed Lunch
Dessert	Waffle	Hot Chocolate Sponge & Custard	Cornflake Cake	Shortbread	Fruity Friday A selection of Fruit based desserts