

St Matthew's Bloxam C of E Primary School

**"Let Your
Light Shine"**

NEWSLETTER

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YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL

Year 6 had a fantastic time at their residential. Although it was raining, this didn't dampen spirits as they took part in a range of activities from climbing up challenges to reach a checkpoint, laser tag, to taking on the 3G swing! Here are just some of the things that the year 6's enjoyed about their residential.

Laser tag because it was really fun in the woods. We got to chase each other around.

Dual zip wire because you could go down with a friend. It was so much fun.
Zip wire because it was massive. 3-G swing. You get the weird butterfly feeling – it was amazing.

3-G swing. It was a shock when it was first set off and you went up and down.

Fan descending. Got to climb up really high and then lowered down gently.

High all aboard. Climbing and completing different challenges along the way.

Archery. Really fun because we got to use actual arrows.

Marshmallows around the campfire.

Thank you to all the parents for supporting your children in this experience and thank you to Mrs Francis, Mr Mabey, Mrs Hancock and Mrs Hartwell for accompanying the year 6's.

Mrs Scott



Diary Dates

Monday 22nd June

Year 3 Swimming

Year 4 Blackwell Trip

Year 2 Big Dance & Sing at
Rugby School

Thursday 25th June

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 trip to
Festival on the Close at
Rugby School

Years 1 - 4 Afterschool
Science Club 3:15pm-
4:15pm

Years 1 -3 Afterschool
Games Club 3:20pm-
4:20pm

Friday 26th June

Year 2 celebration
assembly
9am—parents/carers
welcome

Monday 29th June

PaFoS Summer Fayre –
3:15pm

Tuesday 30th June

Sports Day
Nursery/Reception -AM

Years 1- 6 – PM

YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL



ATTENDANCE



Our whole school attendance target is **95%**

This week's whole school attendance is **95.5**

School starts at **8.50am**, arriving after this time may affect your child's attendance mark.

Can we ask that if your child is not well enough to attend school that we have a
specific reason and
not 'unwell' as we need to state a reason in the attendance records.

Please can medical appointments be made for after school.

We also require proof of appointments that are made during school time.

Please follow the attached links for useful information

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>
<https://www.pharmacy2u.co.uk/>

This week's Family Information Service Newsletter - Tuesday 16th June 2026

The Family Information Service (FIS) provides free, impartial advice on a variety of services and useful information.

They produce a weekly newsletter.

Please use link below to access the newsletter.

<https://mailchi.mp/warwickshire/family-information-service-newsletter-1219204-96fqcdqqps-8833387?e=04fcebfbde0>

SMB FOOTBALL TEAM

SMB 3 – 2 Northlands

Just hours before England started their World Cup campaign with a resounding victory, SMB went out looking for their first win of the season against a Northlands side that had narrowly beaten them earlier in the year.

From kick off, we looked focussed and disciplined in our formation. With Nellie winning every battle down the opposition right hand side they were frustrated from the start. Zachary made a similar impact the other side of the pitch with his high energy approach to the game. In the middle of defence, Mason was calm and assured from the off, determined to get that first win.

As the game went on, chances were few and far between but Adrians managed to break through once, just missing the target with his effort wide of the post. Before we knew it, it was half time with the score at 0-0.

Soon after the second half started, SMB looked on a mission and, with an attack down the right hand side, Adrians shot was deflected into the net for our first goal to go 1-0 up. This continued to be a theme of the second half. Adrians continued to make runs in the channels while Mason started to bring the ball out of defence with confidence. David wasn't letting any of the opposition get past him with a superb defensive display and George was relentless in his pursuit of the ball in the middle of the park.

After some pressure from the opposition, they got lucky with an equaliser to make it 1-1 but the response from SMB was speedy and Adrians grabbed his second of the game to restore the lead. He then created an opportunity for George who fell foul of the uneven surface as he blasted his shot over the bar.

Northlands attempted a comeback once again but Dante made an outstanding fingertip save to his left. Joe impressed in midfield with his running, tackling and was unlucky not to score with a few good efforts from long range. Eventually, the ball broke through and Adrians found himself clean through. When opportunities like these arise, there is only one outcome. He completed his hat trick to put us 3-1 up.

Despite a late thunderbolt from the opposition to claw it back to 3-2, they couldn't break down the stubborn SMB defence as we held on to get our first victory of the season. They have worked so hard this season to improve to this point and with half of the team made up of Year 4s, the future is bright at SMB!

Mr Mabey



COME JOIN OUR

SUMMER FAYRE

MONDAY 29TH JUNE 2026

FREE ENTRY
3:15 - 5:15PM

GAMES OLD AND NEW | RAFFLE
PIZZA | REFRESHMENTS | ICEPOPS
AND MORE

ST MATTHEWS BLOXAM
WEBB ELLIS ROAD, RUGBY

S E C R E T A R Y - P A F O S @ L I V E . C O . U K



Mental Health in Schools Team Tips For Wellness



Dimensions tool



Free online personalised self-care information & support for adults and children in Coventry & Warwickshire

Transition

Transitioning into a new class or school can feel exciting and scary at the same time. It is important to remember, you are not alone in this situation or alone with experiencing these feelings. If you are worried, it can be helpful to talk about how you are feeling about the transition with others as they may help you get prepared or give you a different perspective to consider, which can help you to feel better about it. Below are some tips to help you manage your transition into a new class or school.

Our tips for coping with transitions:

1 – What will be the same?

When moving to a new class or school, it can feel overwhelming because we feel that everything will change but there may be some similarities. For example, you may still have some people you know in your new class and you may still be learning subjects that you love.

2 – Think about what you can control

You may be worrying about the things that will be different in your new class. Think about the things you have control over and can think of practical solutions for. For example, can you visit your new classroom or complete your new journey to school, ahead of the first day? Can you ask a sibling or a friend to walk into class with you? You can ask for ideas from friends and family members too!



Scan this QR code to see how these children solved some of their worries!

In Coventry and Warwickshire, for any urgent mental health concerns, contact the RISE Crisis Helpline available 24/7, by calling NHS 111. Alternatively, call 999 or visit A&E in an emergency, for example if medical attention is required.

MHST are available to support you and your school throughout the school year including term time and school holidays.

Please contact your school's Mental Health Lead for information and advice.

SUMMER FAYRE

VOLUNTEER SIGN UP SHEET

DATES OF SUMMER FAYRE: Monday 29th June

NAME

PHONE

EMAIL

We are looking for anyone who can help on the day, weather it is with setting up, running a stall or tidy up. It could be as little as 20 minutes or the whole fayre. Any help is very much appreciated.



VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Your School PTA Needs You



PaFos Tuck Shop

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EVERYTHING PRICED 50P OR £1**

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Visit: https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmatthewsbloxam/?utm_source=whatsapp&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=pmc&utm_content=wa-1

Please do take a look at the website/app and share with friends and family. The more supporters we have, the more we can provide to enhance the experience for all children at SMB.

ARE YOU ON OUR

SMB Class WhatsApp

Keep up to date on class
information, important dates
and other school messages
to join speak to Laura or
email

secretary-pafos@live.co.uk

**IF YOUR CHILD IS
FEELING UNDER
THE WEATHER,**

**IT CAN BE HARD
TO KNOW IF YOU
SHOULD SEND
THEM TO SCHOOL
OR NOT.**



**UNLESS THEY HAVE A
TEMPERATURE OF
38 DEGREES OR ABOVE,
THEY'RE USUALLY
GOOD TO GO.**



**SEARCH NHS SCHOOL
ILLNESS GUIDANCE.**

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**



HM Government



School Attendance

Every day counts...



Good attendance helps with...



Academic Achievement

Regular attendance helps children keep up with the curriculum and perform better academically.



Social Skills

Attending school regularly helps children develop friendships, social skills and learning how to interact with others.



Routine & Responsibility

Good attendance teaches the importance of commitment, routine, and responsibility, which are all valuable life skills.



Focus & Engagement

Children who attend school regularly are more likely to stay engaged in their learning and develop a positive attitude towards education.



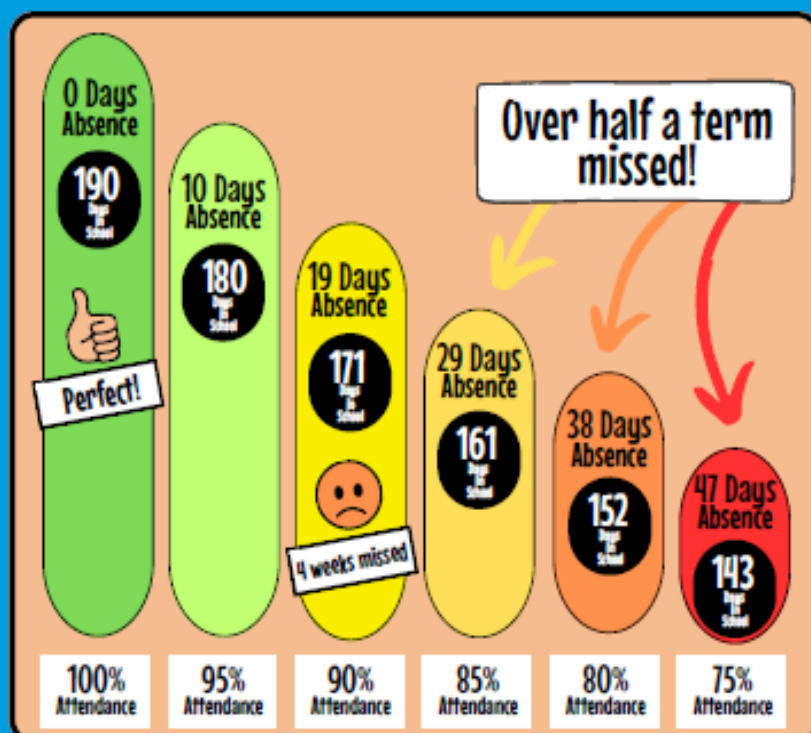
Building Confidence

Regular attendance can boost a child's self-esteem and confidence, as they see their progress and achievements over time.



Enhanced Learning Opportunities

School provides not just academic instruction, but also extra-curricular activities and enrichment opportunities.



Having 90% over 5 school years, is half a school year's work missed!

Did you know there are...

- 365 Days in a Year
- 190 School Days
- 175 Non School Days

Silly School Education

