

St Matthew's Bloxam C of E Primary School

**"Let Your
Light Shine"**

NEWSLETTER

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Welcome back to school!

Welcome back to school! It's lovely to see lots of families returning for a new year, as well as being joined by many new families, in Nursery, Reception and other year groups.

Welcome to Miss Becker on the staff team who will be supporting in the Early years.

As ever, we have lots of exciting activities and events planned for this term, with our first whole school event next Friday (13th September) to celebrate Roald Dahl.

Parent diary dates will be emailed next week and will be on the school website, and Facebook (SMB noticeboard), so please check these for events which concern your child, especially when it involves parents and carers being invited into school. So, here's to another fantastic school year at SMB and all of our community shining brightly in all they do.

Mrs Timson



Diary Dates

Monday 9th September

Year 6 Swimming

**Meet the class teacher
3.30pm**

Tuesday 10th September

**Forest School After
School Club**

Year 1,2,3 & 4

3.20pm - 4.15pm

**Wednesday 11th
September**

**Rocksteady lessons (for
those who have signed up)**

Friday 13th September

**Roald Dahl Day - dress
up as your favourite
character or non-uniform**



MEET THE CLASS TEACHER

On Monday 9th September, between 3.30 and 4.30, parents and carers are very welcome to come back into school to meet the teachers and see the classroom environment and ask the teachers any questions about the new school year.

YEAR 6 PARENTS/CARERS

APPLYING FOR A SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACE

The application process is now open to submit your application for their secondary school place.

The deadline to apply for a secondary school place is **31 October 2024**.

If you miss this deadline, you are much less likely to get offered a place at a preferred school because you will be allocated a place after everyone who applied on time.

This deadline applies to all families, even if your child is sitting the 11+ exam. You still need to submit an application for your chosen secondary schools.

Please visit <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/applying-secondary-school-place> for more guidance on how to submit your application by the 31st October deadline.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Can we please ask that ALL uniform is named.

Can we ask that pupils arrive at school suitably dressed for the weather conditions.

Please ensure your child has a jumper/cardigan and a coat when the weather is cold and wet.

Road Dahl Day



Friday 13th September is Roald Dahl day.

Pupils will be able to dress up as a character from one of his books or non-uniform.



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**SEARCH NHS SCHOOL
ILLNESS GUIDANCE.**

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**



HM Government



BISCUITS

Drinks

**PaFoS
Tuck Shop
THURSDAYS
after school
in the
conservatory**

All items are priced

2 for 50p

50p

£1

Cash and card machine
available

Sweets

Crisps

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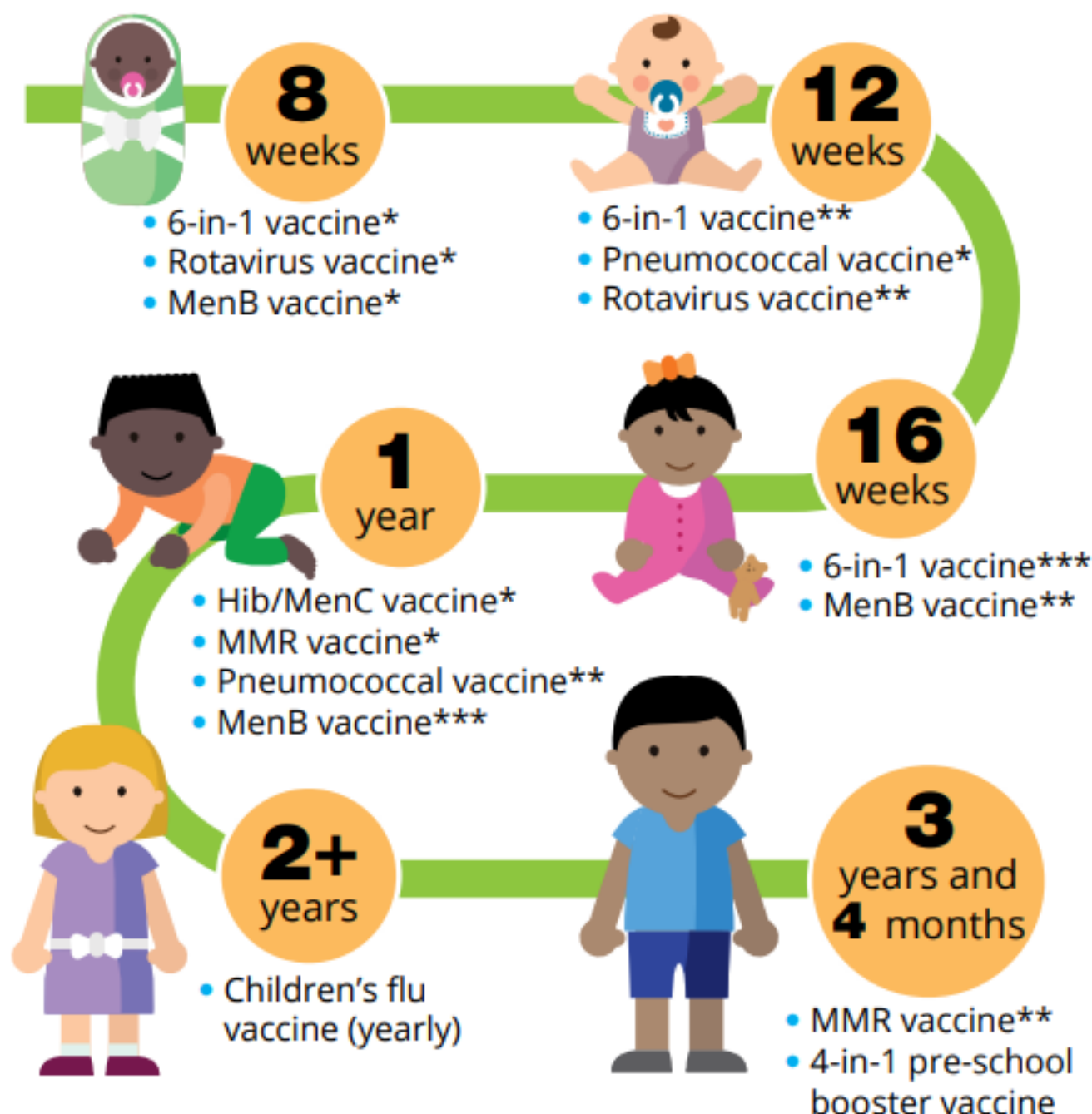
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Your child's vaccine schedule



* first dose, **second dose, *** third dose

6-in-1 protects against diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough, polio, Hib and hepatitis B

4-in-1 protects against diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough and polio

**Follow your child's vaccine schedule
to protect them against illnesses**

**Stick this
timeline up as a
useful reminder**



- Childhood illnesses like measles and whooping cough are rising
- These illnesses can make children very sick, leading to hospital stays or lifelong problems
- If your child is not vaccinated, they are not protected
- It's important that vaccines are given on time for the best protection. Some need booster doses later too
- Check your child's red book or speak to your GP practice to see if they have missed any
- You can still catch up on most missed vaccines
- All the childhood vaccinations are free. As children grow up, they will be offered more vaccine appointments, right up until they are teenagers. Some vaccines are offered at school
- Vaccinations offered by the NHS are thoroughly tested to assess how safe and effective they are. All medicines can cause side effects, but vaccines are among the very safest.
- Research from around the world shows that immunisation is the safest way to protect our children's health

Are your child's vaccines up to date?
Book now at their GP practice