

Dates for the Diary

Autumn term (continued)

Monday 29 October 2018 to Friday 21 December 2018

All term dates are on our website:

<http://www.johngulson.coventry.sch.uk/parents-info/term-dates/>

Year 1 Walking With Dinosaurs

On Friday 30th November Year 1 Children went on a bus to visit New Walk Museum to find out about dinosaurs. They were able to investigate the dinosaur bones and looked closely at the fossils they found. They drew amazing pictures of the artefacts they found and explored the museum. They had a fantastic time.



Attendance

Overall	96%
Reception	99%
Year 1	93%
Year 2	96%
Year 3	97%
Year 4	96%
Year 5	97%
Year 6	97%

Coventry Blaze Christmas Offer

It's Christmas and School's out! But as we all know, the kids will be bored after the first day of holiday and you are struggling to keep them entertained!

Sound Familiar?! Let the Blaze Help.....

We have a fantastic Christmas Bonanza Offer just for you to turn their frowns upside down!

The Coventry Blaze are delighted to save the day exclusively for parents of kids at selected schools with our brand new Christmas Bonanza Deal **KIDS FOR A QUID!**

The Blaze play three MASSIVE games over the Christmas period. The biggest games, the best atmospheres, our biggest rivals, the most excitement, the most festive fun. Simply unmissable action and entertainment.

- Vs Milton Keynes Lightning – Sunday 23rd December – Faceoff 5.15pm,
- Vs Cardiff Devils, Wednesday 26th December – Faceoff 6.00pm,
- Vs Nottingham Panthers – Saturday 29th December – Faceoff 7.00pm

Adults pay normal ticket price (£18) but can bring up to four kids with them for just £1 each. The best value entertainment in town !

You can book for 1,2 or all 3 of these incredible games and give the family a real treat this Christmas. This offer is limited and is not transferrable. To book tickets for these games please check out the website post which contains the information needed.





Free School Meals

It is very important that you register your child for Free School Meals even if your child brings a packed lunch or goes home for dinner.

If your child is in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and receive a free meal under the Universal Free School Meal scheme it is still essential that you register as we only receive the extra Pupil Premium Grant funding for those pupils who are registered.

Parents/carers who are in receipt of any of the benefits listed below can register for Free School Meals.

- Income Support
- Income-based Job Seeker's Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (but do not receive Working Tax Credit and a household income below £16190)
- National Asylum Seeker's Support
- The Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit
- Income related Employment and Support Allowance

The extra funding provides additional staff to plan and deliver high quality learning opportunities both inside and outside the classroom and funds breakfast club and after-school activities.

You can apply for free school meals using the online application process or ask at the school office for a form to complete.

Please ensure you have completed all of the relevant information on your application form, ensuring that you have included the claimants correct National Insurance Number /or NASS reference number and date of birth.

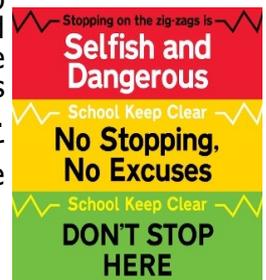
You are no longer required to provide proof of your benefit entitlement. Your eligibility for Free School Meals is processed via a database held by the Department of Works and Pensions.

More info can be found here: <http://www.coventry.gov.uk/info/54/benefits/168/free-school-meals>



Road Safety

As the nights are getting darker please be safe on the roads. Wear bright and reflective clothing so you can be seen. When crossing the road always make sure that the cars have seen you and stopped before stepping out. We will take this time to remind parents not to stop on the zig zag lines outside of the school. There are lots of cars outside of the school at drop off and pick up times. Car and children do not mix and we don't want any of our pupils hurt. There are no excuses. Please set off 5 minutes earlier and park your car in one of the surrounding streets.



Leading Parent Partnership Award (LPPA)

Over the next 12-18 months John Gulson Primary School will be working towards gaining the 'Leading Parent Partnership Award'. Through completing this award, it will help to develop further more effective parental engagement from Early Years through to Year 6 and beyond. This will help to improve pupil progress, punctuality, attendance and behaviour, as well as increase parental involvement in school life.

If you would like any further information, or have any ideas on how you, as parents/carers, can be involved, please do not hesitate to come to speak to me.



Leading Parent Partnership Award

Mrs McLeod

Poppy Appeal 2018

A very big THANK YOU to you all at John Gulson school. This year your school raised £286.32.

I would like to thank everyone for their kind donations "Well done". It was wonderful seeing pupils at West Orchards Shopping Centre on Remembrance Sunday. Perhaps we will have you in the march next year and even lay a wreath on the Cenotaph. Once again thank you all of John Gulson school. Kindest regards, Gordon.

G.Garland Royal British Legion President & Poppy Appeal Organiser

