

A MESSAGE FROM MRS WALSH: Happy 2025 !

We have had a very busy start to the new year. The children are progressing well with their learning. We would like your help to build their reading fluency which is our target during the spring and summer months. You can support by hearing your child read at least 3 times per week. You will find two reading books at the children's phonics level in their book bags along with a free choice library book for adults to share with their child. 2025 is destined to be an exciting year for Palfrey as we move to work with our partner schools to share ideas and further improve learning opportunities. I look forward to seeing you at the school gates in the mornings.



Welcome to Mr Price

We welcome Mr Price to our palfrey family. He is our new Early Years Lead and Class 2 Teacher.

He has already brought some positive ways of working and the children have settled in really well with him as their new class teacher.



PE DAYS

This years PE days are:

Monday: Year 2

Tuesday: Year 1

Wednesday: Year 1 and Year 2

Thursday: Nursery and Reception



Please can they come to school in their PE kits

After School Clubs—Please come in PE Kits on their selected day

Safer Internet Day

Safer Internet day is on Tuesday 11th February 2025. The theme this year is 'Too good to be True? How to protect you and others from scams'.



The children will be learning about what scams are and what to look for. Mrs Hennefer will be presenting a special assembly to all the children on the day.



New Lunch Theme Day's



This February our school Kitchen is putting on a special themed lunch.

Please share this with your children.

The Kitchen staff are even dressing up!

Shiver me timbers!

A large, blue, cartoonish sign with eyes and arms, holding a menu. The sign is set against a brown background. At the top left, a red banner says "PIRATE DAY". To the right, a green vegetable character wearing a black pirate hat and an eye patch is peeking over the top edge. The menu text is centered on the white background of the sign.

PIRATE DAY

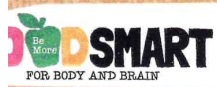
Friday 7th
February

Main Dish
Black Beard Veggie Burger
Treasure Chest Veggie Dippers
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Sides
Sea Wave Fries

Dessert
Jolly Pirate Donut

A healthy food meal is important for children and young people to keep healthy and improve their performance



Reception Stay and Play Sessions

Reception will be inviting parents to work with their child in class, focusing on Reading, Writing and Maths.



All Sessions will be from 2pm—3pm.

Please add the following dates to your diaries:

- Tuesday 4th February 2025
- Wednesday 2nd April 2025
- Wednesday 14th May 2025
- Wednesday 2nd July 2025

Nursery Parent Stay and play Sessions

Nursery will be inviting parents to work with their child in class, focusing on Reading, Writing and Maths.



All sessions will be from 10am—11am and 2pm—3pm

Please add the following dates to your diaries:

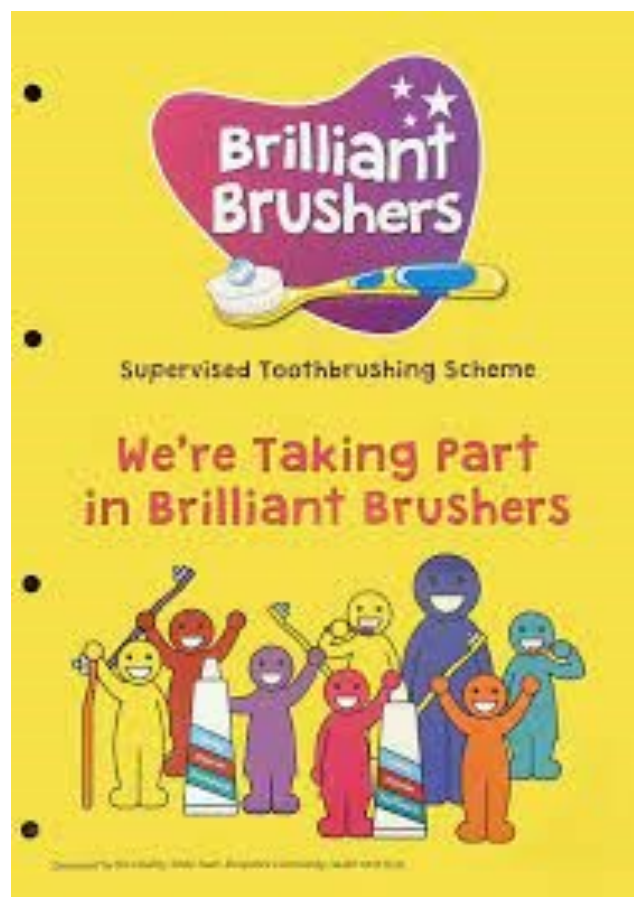
- Monday 3rd February 2025
- Tuesday 1st April 2025
- Tuesday 13th May 2025
- Tuesday 1st July 2025—Graduation Picnic

Nursery are Brilliant Brushers

Nursery are joining this exciting new scheme to learn how to brush their teeth!



We are holding a special workshop for all Nursery parents on Friday 7th February at 9.15 in the Main Hall, to discuss this scheme and how it will be delivered to the children.



ATTENDANCE

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

Children are required by law to attend school 190 days per year. The Government states that every pupil's attendance should be at least 95%.

How do YOU measure up?

Attendance	Days	Weeks	Lessons
	Absent	Absent	Miscel
95%	9 Days	2 Weeks	50 Lessons
90%	19 Days	4 Weeks	100 Lessons
85%	29 Days	6 Weeks	150 Lessons
80%	38 Days	8 Weeks	200 Lessons
75%	48 Days	10 Weeks	250 Lessons
70%	57 Days	11.5 Weeks	290 Lessons
65%	67 Days	13.5 Weeks	340 Lessons

89% & Below
Drastic effect on
academic achievement

95% - 90%
Cause for
concern

100% - 96%
Excellent



**BEING IN SCHOOL EVERY DAY IS VERY IMPORTANT TO YOUR CHILDS
LEARNING**

Getting your child to school on time really matters

If in a school year your child is late everyday	Your child would have lost approximately	Or they would have missed approximately
5 Minutes	3 days from school	16 lessons lost
10 Minutes	5 days from school	32 lessons lost
15 Minutes	8 days from school	48 lessons lost
20 Minutes	11 days from school	63 lessons lost
30 Minutes	16 days from school	95 lessons lost



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Dear Parent,

North Star Inclusion Advisory Team are offering free training for families who might be awaiting / suspect a diagnosis of Autism for a child.

Family Sessions Early Years (0-5 +/-2years) Making Sense of Autism

16th September 2024 09:30 – 11:00
11th November 204 13:00 – 14:30
14th January 2025 09:30 – 11:00
06th March 2025 09:30 – 11:00
01st May 2025 13:00 – 14:30
02nd July 2025 13:00 – 14:30

Family Sessions Schools (5-16+-4 years) Making Sense of Autism

16th September 2024 13:00 – 14:30
12th November 204 09:30 – 11:00
13th January 2025 13:00 – 14:30
07th March 2025 9:30 – 11:00
02nd May 2025 13:00 – 14:30
02nd July 2025 09:30 – 11:00

Venue: Rushall Primary School, Pelsall lane, Walsall, WS4 1NG

Booking: Please book via www.bookwhen.com/niat

Enquiries: Contact Samantha Harrison at North Star Inclusion Advisory Team on 01922 682300 Opt 3 or email Samantha.harrison@northstarfederation.org.uk

Parking: Please be aware if your session **starts at 09:15 do not arrive on site before 09:00am.** T

he carparks will not be available to you before 09:00am.

Due to construction work please use the first carpark on THE left of the drive (opposite the fields)

Free School Meals 2024/5

Could your child be entitled to a
FREE school meal?



We would like all parents to sign up for the Free School Meals within school. Your child may be entitled to the pupil premium funding. This is a grant given by the government to schools in England to decrease the attainment gap for the most disadvantaged children, whether by income or by family upheaval.

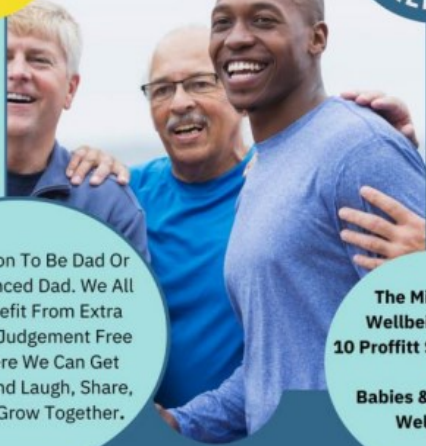
Please access the link and complete the online form here: [Free school meals | Walsall Council](#)



WALSALL DAD'S SUPPORT BROTHERHOOD CIRCLE



WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER!



New Or Soon To Be Dad Or An Experienced Dad. We All Could Benefit From Extra Support. A Judgement Free Zone Where We Can Get Together And Laugh, Share, Support & Grow Together.

The MindKind Wellbeing Hub, 10 Proffitt St. WS2 8AP.

Babies & Toddlers Welcome

Thursdays. From Jan. 9th. 6pm - 7.30pm
No Booking Necessary
VENT. CELEBRATE. GROW. SHARE.

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WALSALL MOM'S SUPPORT SISTER CIRCLE



Because Your Wellbeing Is More Important Than Ever!



New Or Soon To Be Mom Or An Experienced Mom. We All Could Benefit From Extra Support. A Judgement Free Zone Where We Can Get Together And Laugh, Share, Support & Grow Together.

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Babies & Toddlers Welcome

Wednesdays From Jan. 8th 12.15pm - 1.45pm
No Booking Necessary
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PARENT AND TODDLER WELLBEING SESSIONS

FREE NO BOOKING REQUIRED

0-3 YEARS OLD

FROM JAN 9TH UNTIL FEB 20TH



STAY AND PLAY

Bring Your Babies & Toddlers Along For A Free & Fun Bonding Session! Snacks, Drinks & Activities

South and Central Family Hub (Near Town Centre) Birchills Street, Walsall, WS2 8N

Thursdays. 12.30pm - 2.00pm

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New School Times

SCHOOL TIMES from SEPTEMBER 2024

NURSERY SCHOOL TIMES: September 2024

NURSERY	AM GROUP	PM GROUP
Kingfisher, Robin, Owl	8.30am-11.30am	12.30pm-3.30pm

RECEPTION SCHOOL TIMES: September 2024

	Classes 1, 2 & 3		
	Start Time	C2 & 3 End Time	C1 End Time
Monday- Friday	8.45am	3.15pm Main Gate	3.15pm Nursery Gate

YEAR 1 SCHOOL TIMES: September 2024

Classes 4, 5 & 6	Start Time	End Time
Monday- Friday	8.45am	3.15pm

YEAR 2 SCHOOL TIMES: September 2024

Classes 7, 8 & 9	Start Time	End Time
Monday- Friday	8.45am	3.15pm

Please be mindful we have a 10 minutes period for safe entry to school, there is no need to push and overcrowd the gate, this causes the children to be frightened and is unnecessary. After the initial rush there is plenty of time to enter calmly. Once children have gone through the gate, please clear the gateway for other children to enter, do not linger.

If you wish to get a message to the class teacher please speak with the school adults who are on the gate: Mrs Walsh, Mrs Adams.

Whitehall Road Entrance will be closed at 8.55am.

Try not to be late as this creates issues.

Any late pupils need to enter via the Bescot street entrance (entrance opposite Palfrey Garage)



Dates for your Diary:

- 3rd February — Nursery stay and Play 10am and 2pm
- 4th February — Reception Stay and Play 2pm
- 7th February — Nursery Brilliant Brushers Parents Workshop
- 11th February — Safer Internet Day
- 12th February — Year 1 Eye Tests
- 14th February — School Breaks up for half term.
- 24th February — Children return to school Normal times.
- 26th February — Year 1 Eye Tests

