



Year two had a workshop on Friday morning using virtual reality headsets based on their topic of moon landings. The children enjoyed this existing experience.

Loudmouth company provided workshops for years five and six over the last two days based on our PHSE programme and anti-bullying policy. The children engaged well in the sessions and were confident to talk about what they had learnt. The programme covers bullying and online safety.

Well done to 6BH for achieving 100% attendance this week. As always, attendance remains very much a focus for us and may we remind you that any holiday taken during term time will not be authorised and as such fines from the local authority are in place.

Your child also runs the risk of losing their school place.

We have lots of exciting things planned this half term for our children so watch this space....

Mrs Lathbury-Cox

### **Free activities and food for Walsall families**

Children and young people aged 5 to 16 who are eligible for free school meals and their families will be able to access free activities and a healthy recipe box during Easter, summer and Christmas holidays.

The Department for Education's (DfE) Holiday Activities and Food programme (HAF) has provided funding for the scheme.

Walsall Council are working with their partners to develop the programme of virtual and face-to-face activities. They include schools, local voluntary and community organisations and childcare providers.

#### **How to sign up**

Registration and booking for our winter programme is open from the 8 November 2021 until the 10th December

To book and register onto their HAF portal use link; [https://go.walsall.gov.uk/children\\_and\\_young\\_people/haf\\_signup](https://go.walsall.gov.uk/children_and_young_people/haf_signup)

### CITIZENS ADVICE – WALSALL

Do you need help? CASPER offers a free and confidential drop-in service across Walsall operating at different locations each day. You will find them

located outside of West Walsall Academy (on the lay-by) every fortnight on Wednesday mornings from Weds 10th November from 9am - 1pm



### NON UNIFORM DAY

**FRIDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER £1.00**

This is to raise funds for school fund so we can continue to offer wonderful activities to our children such as visitors, disco, pantomime etc..



**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November**

- We will be having a Pyjama day - £1 donation please (children may want to wear something warm under their pyjama's!)
- We will also be having a class collection challenge during the week beginning 15th November - the class from EYFS/KS1 and from KS2 who collect the most money will win a Silent Disco on Friday afternoon!

### COMMUNITY NEWS

**Saturday 6th November 21 from 9.30 am to 12.30pm**

Remembrance day coffee morning and Bi monthly Birchills agenda 21 meeting  
All are welcome to attend with meeting starting at 11 am. An opportunity for all to contribute and discuss future plans with current funding success.  
Light refreshments available and children welcome with parents / carers.

Also on the same day is 'Learn to cycle and family cycling' from 9.30 am to 12.30pm.

Sons of Rest Building Bentley Lane Birchills Walsall WS2 8SP opposite 209 to 211 Bentley lane.

### CLASS ATTENDANCE

RLW 89.73%

RLT 89.2%

1PG 86.29%

1SN 93.37%

2LP 93.33%

2CG 92.52%

3PB 92.57%

3VG 92.51%

4CO 92.86%

4KR 89.29%

5HF 97.62%

5MM 93.33%

6HL 88.57%

**6BH 100%**

6RF 94.29%

Well done to **6BH**  
this week for  
achieving **100%**



Overall attendance

**92.11%**

**Newsletter**  
**Autumn Term 2 Week 1**  
**Week ending**  
**5 November 2021**

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