



Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

The term has flown by and here we are approaching December and Christmas! It has been lovely to welcome parents and carers into school over the last two weeks for our parents' evenings or to meet them through remote appointments. We hope you found the evenings useful, but remember, you are always welcome to contact us directly. If you have a concern, don't wait for parents' evenings to come around to talk to us!

As usual, school is busy and productive at the moment. Here are some important dates for your diary in the weeks to come.

#### **Forthcoming events...**

Parent/Carer Survey	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December
Y5 Film Night	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December
Senior Citizens Party	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Concert	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas lunch/Christmas jumper day – all years	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December
Term ends at the normal time	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December
Spring Term starts	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January

#### **Supporting 'The Well' foodbank**

We believe that it's really important that our Codsall Citizens think of others, especially at a time like Christmas when they could get a bit preoccupied with what they are going to receive! So, for those of our community that feel that they can donate, we are collecting for the Well – a foodbank that serves the Wolverhampton area. Thank you to those who have already sent in food items. I know they will be received most gratefully and be distributed to homes where they will make a real difference. The deadline for donations in school is Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December.

#### **Annual Parent/Carer Survey**

We value parent feedback because it helps us to keep moving forward and maintain a strong partnership between school and home. This is why we would always encourage you to contact us directly to discuss any concerns you have. Later this week, I'll be sending out a survey that I would be most grateful if you would complete – it only takes a few minutes and helps us a great deal in evaluating our practice.

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## Car Park - Keeping our Pupils Safe

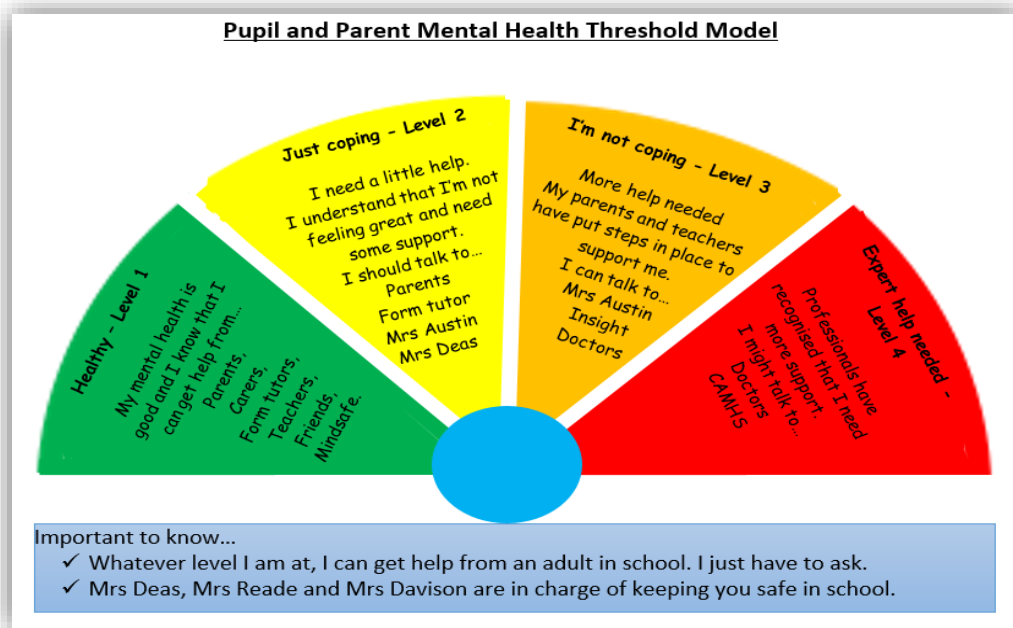
Our school car park feels safe because the vast majority of parents respect our request that you do not drive onto the car park between the times of 8.15-8.40am and 3.00-3.25pm. If you drive onto site at any other time, please drive slowly and park with consideration of others – the bend in our drive is the scene of many a near miss!

## School Christmas Lunch

On Tuesday 19th December 2023, our school Christmas lunch will be served. All children are most welcome to take Christmas lunch, providing the meal has been ordered in advance. The price of Christmas lunch this year will be £2.80 which includes a Christmas cracker. There will be no charge for children in receipt of free school meals. There will be a vegetarian option but no alternative menu. Remember to order by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December by paying separately into ParentPay rather than using the normal card system.

## Looking after the Whole Child

We work hard to make sure that pupils in our school experience high quality teaching and learning, but school is about much more than that. Since COVID, we have been aware of more pupils struggling with navigating everyday life so we have put more provision into place: if the first line of support isn't enough (friends, parents, teachers and parents/carers), we have trained wellbeing TAs, Mrs Austin and Mrs Steventon and your child's Head of Year who are always willing to help and listen. This is a reminder of the structure we have in place for pupils who may need more support:



## School Values

As you will know, we believe in the importance of developing our pupils as engaged individuals who contribute positively to the community: hence our school values – considerate, ambitious and proud. It's always a delight to meet our Values Nominees and to hear the stories behind their nominations. I thought I'd share some of the brilliant things our pupils have done to earn their nominations.



**Codsall Citizens making us proud!**

- Helping their classmates with their learning
- Supporting a member of our community in need
- Demonstrating determination to improve
- Making outstanding contributions to a school team
- Being ambitious by choosing the challenging tasks in lessons
- Taking extra care of our school environment
- Showing leadership skills
- Super manners towards guests in school
- Taking great pride in their work
- Going the extra mile with their learning, doing extra work at home
- Making excellent progress
- Helping out in the community

**Well done to all of our nominees and thanks for making our school a brilliant place to be!**

Thanks very much for your continuing support. Please do contact us if you have any questions or concerns. We are always happy to help!

Yours sincerely

Mrs K Reade  
**Head of School**





Sports Leaders Training



Breakfast Club - a calm and friendly start to the day



Remembrance



Y7 Boys Football Team



Showing off DT Homework



Children in Need



Y8 Girls Football Team



CMS Champions



Y8 Boys Football Team