

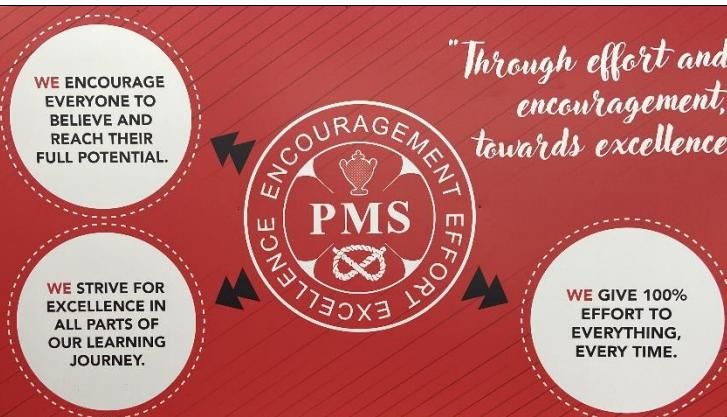
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PMS Newsletter



Thursday, 05 October 2023

Issue #2



School update

HEADTEACHER UPDATE

Good afternoon,

We have loved being back in school and the pupils are fully immersed in their schooling, and walking around the school is a delight each day. The Year 5 pupils have really bought into the PMS Way and are able to demonstrate it at every opportunity.

We have had two successful trips so far to RAF Cosford for Year 6 and the Wolsley Centre for Year 7, and both gave fantastic accounts of themselves at both venues.

We also had an extremely successful day for the European Day of Languages, and I was thrilled to see all the activities going on in school on that day, as well as the amazingly tasty school lunch menu. Please look out for further themed menus this term.

I must stress the importance of speaking to your children about their safety to and from school. Those on bikes should have helmets; those walking should stick to the paths; and those who are walking, holding, and looking at devices need to take more care about what is going on around them.

As a school, we work closely with Wolgarston, as this is our largest destination following Year 8. Once again, the school achieved fantastic KS4 and KS5 outcomes, and on average, children achieve a Grade 5 which is half a grade above the national grade. They have an open evening on 12th October so we would encourage our parents to attend.

Mr Grocott

PUPIL SUCCESS

Back in March, Isabella raised a great deal of money by swimming for Great Ormond Street. She was only expected to swim 5k but swam well over that, completing an amazing 20k. Great work, Isabella.



A massive well done to Ethan in Year 6, who achieved his brown belt in karate just prior to the summer break. He worked very hard to achieve the grade, and we are really proud of him.

We wanted to wish the Penkridge Girls U11's good luck in the coming season. They are a recently formed team and have started the season brightly. We look forward to hearing how they are getting along.



Over the August Bank Holiday, Evelyn and Alistair travelled to London to swim in the Olympic pool at the Adam Peaty Sprint With The Stars Event. Both performed brilliantly, and Alistair was able to swim against some greats, including Adam Peaty, and was among the top 9-year-old boys in the country.

Evelyn performed so well that she was selected to represent Staffordshire at a National County Team Event in October, the only Chase SC swimmer to be selected.

Isobel entered the Young Writers competition before the six-week holiday. I'm very pleased and proud to announce that Isobel's story, "The Enchanted Harp," has been chosen from thousands of entries nationwide for publication in a book full of young writers' work called The Young Writers' Annual Showcase 2023: Inspired Words.



WHAT'S COMING UP

9-12th
OctoberOpen Mornings (see
links on facebook)10th
OctoberWorld Mental
Health Day13th
OctoberMacMillan Event in
School for pupils27th
October

End of half term

TRICK BOX

Trick Box is a simple, fun and effective whole school, whole journey, emotional management and personal development programme, supporting children and young people from ages 3-18 and their families.

Each week we will share a new 'trick' with pupils in school to use should they need to, so please discuss this and use at home.



TRICK BOX

GUIDE TO SOCIAL MEDIA

See updates throughout the year on the school's social media pages.



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