



Packmoor Ormiston Academy Newsletter

Friday 13th September 2024



Head Pupils for Packmoor

2024/25

Well done to all the Y6 pupils who put themselves forward to be Head pupils. It was a difficult decision for all the Year 5 and Year 6 pupils who voted as well as the staff.

All the children did themselves proud and the speeches were of exceptional quality showing their love and passion for the school.

We will have a great group of prefects.

Congratulations to Alfie, Freddie, Hannah and Luna- Rae who were elected into the Head pupil roles and we look forward to seeing their impact over the course of the year.



Attendance at Packmoor

Information for parents/carers

Regular attendance at school is vital to help children achieve and get the best possible start in life. All children aged between 5 and 16 are required, by law, to receive an education, and it is the duty of their parents/carers to ensure that they are supported to do so.

Packmoor Ormiston Academy has an Attendance Policy, which is available to view on the Academy website.

We will contact parents/carers directly should we have any concerns about a child's attendance, or if your child attendance falls below 95%.

A fixed Penalty notice fine will be issued for unauthorised absences from school. This includes holidays taken during term time.

Please feel free to contact the main school office should you wish more clarification or click the link below.

<https://packmoorormistonacademy.co.uk/key-info/attendance>

Illness - Is my child to ill for school?

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school, when they're unwell.

There are government guidelines for schools about managing specific infectious diseases at GOV.UK. These say when children should be kept off school and when they shouldn't.



School Values



This weeks winners who demonstrated our school value **Respect** are:

1JT - Vienna

1HL - Thomas

2PW - Hollie

2RS - Elsie

3JG - Evie

3LN - Poppy

4GN - Finn

4JH - Lennox

5PA - Maddison

5GL - Mya & Isabelle

6JM - Isla

6CH - Oliver

Year 6 Admissions to Secondary School

The deadline for applications is 31st October.

Please apply online www.stoke.gov.uk/admissions

Autumn Term 2024

Friday 25th October
School Closes

Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November
School Closed Half Term

Monday 4th November
School Opens

Friday 20th December
School Closes 1.00pm

Monday 23rd December - Friday 3rd January
School Closed Christmas Holiday.

Flu Immunisations will take place for children in Reception to Year 6 on

Monday 30th September

Consent forms must be submitted by 10.00am on Friday 27th September.

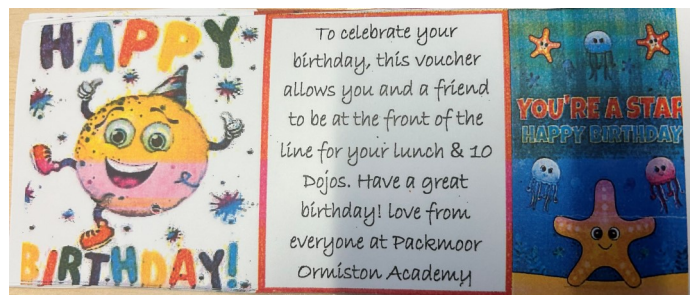
The letter is available to view on Dojo and Tapestry.

Please complete the online consent form using the following link: <https://forms.mpft.nhs.uk/>
Choose the following from the dropdown list:

Your school code is: ST142643-24.

Health and Safety

Can we politely remind parents for health and safety reasons that children are not to be re entering the school grounds after the end of the day.



Birthdays this week: Alfie, Violet, Ted, Maisie, Cole, Nancy, Rex, Harris, Harry.

PTA Sponsored Summer Challenge

2024

We had a great response to our Summer Challenge again this year.

Thank you to everyone that took part.

Well done to the following winners.

3rd place - Chloe, Reception who raised £32
2nd place - Luna Rae, Year 6 and Pixie, Year 3 who raised £101

1st place - Arthur, Reception and Evelyn, Nursery who raised an amazing £200.

New to Nursery Reminder

Children in Nursery who are eligible for 30 hours free childcare, are still required to pay for a school lunch. (£2.15) Thank you

You Could be eligible for free school meals

If you are eligible for Free School Meals but you have not claimed because your child brings a packed lunch to school, you may not be aware that the school receives additional funding that is used to support children who are entitled to Free School Meals, e.g. help towards the cost of educational visits and extracurricular activities etc.

Your child might be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit – provided you have an annual net income of no more than £7,400 as assessed by earnings from up to 3 of the most recent assessment periods (not including any benefits you get)