



# Palfrey Infant School Newsletter

Spring Term 1 – 27.02.2026

## A message from Mrs Walsh:

It is World Book Day on Friday 6th March, children can come to school dressed as their favourite book characters or in clothes “comfy to read”. As it is the National Year of Reading we would like to encourage parents to read with their children at home also.

Teachers also have a surprise for the children next Friday!

We have also introduced new playground equipment in the KS1 Playground, which is helping children to practice safety and risk management.



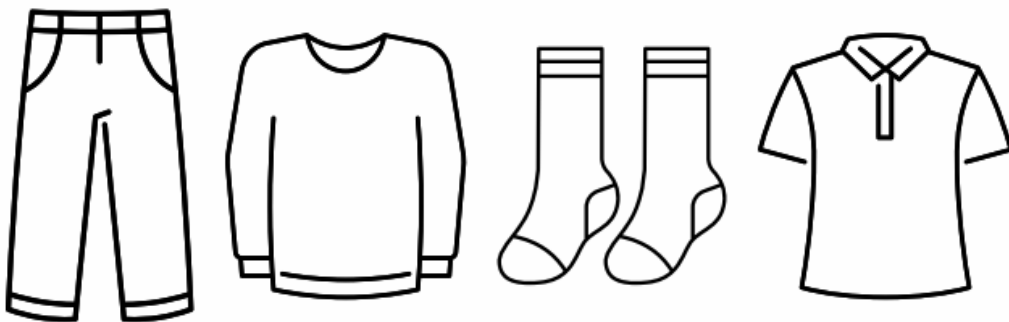
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# CLOTHES DONATIONS



We welcome any donations of spare clothes such as joggers, trousers, leggings, tops, jumpers and socks.  
Please bring any donations to the school office.





**WORLD  
BOOK  
DAY®**



**6<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

World Book Day is all about helping children enjoy reading in their own way – whether that's sharing stories together, listening to audiobooks, reading comics, or dipping into non-fiction.



On **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March** children can come to school dressed as their favourite book characters!



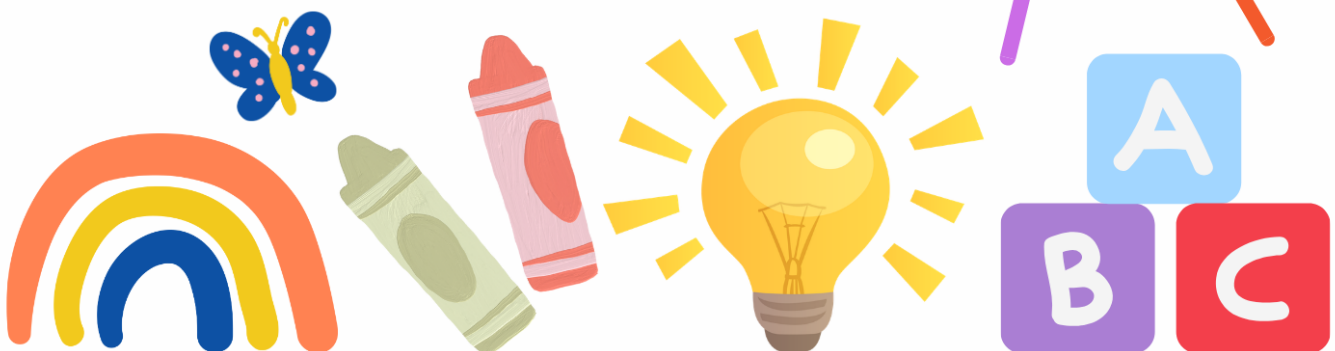


# NURSERY

## APPLICATIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2026

If you wish to apply for a nursery place please apply on our website. Places are available for children from 2 years old.

1. Go to the Palfrey Infant school website
2. Select Key information →  
→ admissions →  
Nursery class admissions
3. Please complete an application form



# PE DAYS

**Tuesday:** Year 1 & 2– Cricket Sessions

**Wednesday:** Reception



**Please can pupils come to school in their PE Kits.**

## Free School Meals 2026



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:

<https://apply.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/entrust>



# COURSES

We are offering a range of courses for parents. The courses will be led by school nurses and hosted at school (please go to the main school office). All the courses will last approximately an hour. Please see the table for all available courses.

Course	Date	Start Time
School Readiness	17th March 2026	9am



# SCHOOL TIMES from 2025-2026

## Nursery School Times

Kingfishers, Robins and Owls	Start Time	End time
Owls	8:30am	11:30am
Penguins	12:30pm	3:30pm

## Reception School Times

### 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

Classes 4, 5 & 6	Start time	End time
Monday-Friday	8:45am	3:15pm

## Year 2 School Times

Classes 7, 8 & 9	Start time	End time
Monday-Friday	8:45am	3:15pm

Please be mindful we have a 10 minute period for safe entry to school, there is no need to push and overcrowd the gate, this causes 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 Hennefer and Miss Glover.

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 Sun Street entrance (opposite the Nash Dom Centre).



# Things to do

Free family fun is available at Family Hubs.

Insert call to action



Walsall Council



Walsall Family Hubs  
Supporting families to live happier lives



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**Best Start in Life Family Hubs** offer a welcoming space where all families can access advice and support from a range of services for all families in Walsall.

The Hubs support families from pregnancy to childcare right through to starting school, get advice and support for your child's development.

They offer lots of FREE activities such as; stay & plays, antenatal, feeding, birth registration, baby massage, baby sensory, developmental checks, volunteering midwife appointments, baby clinics, dads groups, parenting and so much more...

More information about the Hubs, and what they offer, can be found on the Family Hubs website: <https://www.walsallfamilyhubs.co.uk/>  
Email: [Familyhubs@walsall.gov.uk](mailto:Familyhubs@walsall.gov.uk) and follow us on Facebook:

WalsallFamiliesintheknow



# CRICKET CLUB

We will be having an After- School Cricket Club.  
Furthermore, Year 1 and 2 pupils will also have Cricket sessions on Tuesdays so can pupils please come to school in their PE Kit.



# Workshops

## Taking place at Pleck Library

Pleck Library Campus will be hosting three FREE workshops over the coming months, with the first on Friday 30th January!

These workshops will be hosted by St John Ambulance, Mossley Heart and West Midlands Police and offer you great advice and information, as well as learning important skills that you can take away.

Have a look below for dates and times of our upcoming workshops:

<u>Course</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
Essential First Aid Skills	30th January 2026	9:30AM– 11AM 11:30AM-1PM
CPR Awareness sessions	6th February 2026	9:30AM-11:30AM 12PM– 2PM
Keeping Yourself Safe & Crime Awareness with West Midlands Police	6th March 2026	9:30-AM-11AM 11:30AM– 2PM

The Pleck Library Campus is located at: Walsall College, Pleck Library Campus, Walsall, Darlaston Road, WS2 9RE

To register your interest please contact Tracey Hateley via email on [thateley@walsallcollege.ac.uk](mailto:thateley@walsallcollege.ac.uk)



# Rāmādān Kāreem



## Reception

### HEIGHT AND WEIGHT CHECKS

Please can Reception parents see their email regarding height and weight checks for Reception children on the 16th April 2026.



# WORLD BOOK DAY!

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

**Main 1**

Hotdogs

**Main 2**

Gruffalo Quorn Dippers (V)

**Sides**

Where's Wally Wedges

**Dessert**

James and the Giant Peach Cake

**FOOD**  
Be  
More  
**SMART**  
FOR BODY AND BRAIN



# COMIC RELIEF 2026

## Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2026

The annual fundraising campaign, which takes place on Friday, 20 March, raises money for charitable causes in the UK and around the world. Children can wear red clothes on the day and a donation of £1 can be made through the School Gateway App.



# Dates for your diary



## Spring Term 2026

### March

**Friday 6th March**– World Book Day

**Tuesday 17th March**– School readiness workshop & nursery stay and play.

**Tuesday 24th March**– Reception parent workshop

**Friday 20th March**– Red Nose Day

**Friday 27th March**– Year 1 Performance

**Friday 27th March**– Last day of term

## Summer Term 2026

### April

**Monday 13th April**– School reopens (start of new term)

**Thursday 16th April**– Reception Height and Weight Checks by school nurses

### May

**Monday 25th– Friday 29th May**– Half term holiday (school closed)

### July

**Wednesday 15th July**– Sports day

**Monday 20th July**– Inset day (school closed)

