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Welcome to the autumn term. It has been lovely to welcome back the familiar faces of Years 6, 7 and 8 and to get to know some new ones notably in Year 5, but across the year groups generally as a number of new students have joined us this year. Our year 5 pupils have made an excellent start and we can see already that they are going to be an asset to the school.

My thanks to parents and carers for the smart way that students have returned to school - presentation is of a high standard and makes us very *Proud to be Perton*. As we move in to week three, watch out for club lists and please encourage your child to join us in these extracurricular activities as they can be a great way to make new friends and learn new skills.

Form tutors and phase leaders will be in touch to introduce themselves - remember we are only a phone call or an email away if you have any queries. I look forward to working with you this year and thank you for the supportive communications we have received so far.

# Mrs. Burrington

## CODSALL COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL – OPEN EVENING



Codsall Community High School staff and students are excited to welcome visitors to our Open Evening on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September. School will be open from 6pm until 9pm, with the chance to tour the building and speak with teachers from all subjects. You will also be able to hear the Headteacher talk about our vision and values in one of two sittings. These talks will take place at 6:15pm and 7:00pm.

(Please note our Main Hall accommodates 300 so if you have a preference about the sitting you attend, arrive in good time to get a seat.)

It is also possible to tour the school during a normal day on the morning of 28<sup>th</sup> September, for those that either wish to see the school in action or cannot make the evening event. Please attend reception at 8:45am if you wish to take part in this tour.



# UPCOMING EVENTS

- Thurs 21st Sept: School photos
- Tues 26<sup>th</sup> Sept: Year 5 'settling in' evening, 6:00pm
- Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> Sept: Codsall High open evening, 6:00-9:00pm
- > Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Sept: INSET day
- Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> Oct: Perton Middle opening evening, 6:00pm

# HOW TO APPLY FOR A PLACE AT PERTON MIDDLE



The application deadline for Year 5 student places for September 2024 is January 2024, we

urge parents to ensure that their applications are completed in advance of the deadline.

If you are a Staffordshire resident, please follow the link to begin your online application: <a href="https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Education/Admissions-secondary/Apply/Overview.aspx">https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Education/Admissions-secondary/Apply/Overview.aspx</a>

If you are a Wolverhampton resident, please follow this link: <a href="https://www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/education-and-schools/school-admissions">https://www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/education-and-schools/school-admissions</a>

You can also see a <u>virtual tour of</u> <u>the school</u> and <u>download our</u> <u>prospectus</u>.

### SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS







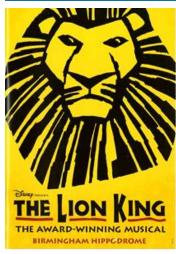






These include the redecoration of many of our classrooms, an extension of the playground and the cladding of one of our outbuildings.

### LION KING TRIP



The Year 8s at Perton really made us beam with 'pride' as they went to watch the 'mane' event in town, The Lion King, at Birmingham Hippodrome this week. They had a 'roarsome' time watching the talented company of actors, singers and dancers bring this famous story to life, in a wonderful setting. Our children were over'roared' by the colourful costumes, talented orchestra and extravagant sets. This experience supports the key knowledge and learning that pupils are undertaking in their drama and music lessons this term. The opportunity to see first-class repertoire in a renowned theatre is

invaluable and offers not only an insight into the potential careers within the arts sector but also models an excellent example of musical theatre, an example that our pupils can use to influence their own work within their end of unit assessments.

Thank you to all the staff who gave up their time to ensure that the children at Perton Middle School can take full advantage of the enrichment activities that are on offer. Year 7's - 'be prepared', as our next theatre trip will take place in De'simba' when they will have the chance to see Snow White at Wolverhampton Grand Theatre. Information will be shared with parents and carers soon. Well done if you resisted the urge to sing 'The Lion Sleeps Tonight' during this part of the newsletter. Although, I suppose it's only ever 'a whim away, a whim away, a whim away, a whim away, a whim away...'

Our sincere apologies for the terrible puns – please blame Mr. Pritchard!!

#### OTHER NEWS

You can find copies of all letters on our website. The website also contains information about uniform, policies and contact details.

#### BOOKS OF THE MONTH

Each month, Mrs. Hazelhurst, our school librarian, chooses two books of the month – one for KS2 and one for KS3. Her choices this month are How to Train your Dragon and Geek Girl. These are both available in the library. If you have read either of these books and want to write a review for the newsletter, please let us know.

