

# September Newsletter



Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the new school year and a special welcome to all of the parents and carers who are new to our school this year. We are looking forward to an exciting school year with lots of fantastic learning experiences and opportunities for the children. As you will see from our diary over the page, we already have lots planned for this term.

We are pleased to welcome six new members of staff to our school: Mrs Ray in Reception; Miss Tipler in Year 2; Miss Atkins in Year 3; Miss Bevan and Mr Brazier both in Year 5 and Mr Ricketts in Year 6. It is great to have new staff coming in with fresh ideas and the knowledge and experiences that they bring from their previous schools.

Congratulations to Mr Wood who got married in the summer holidays.

Two staff will be known by different names this year: Mrs Laffey, our Learning Mentor is now Miss McTiernan; and Mrs Parkes in Nursery is now Miss Masters.

On Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September we are holding our Behaviour Awards to reward children who showed exemplary behaviour throughout the summer term. It is always a difficult decision for teachers to choose just two children to be rewarded, as we have high expectations for behaviour which the children strive to achieve. We look forward to finding out who will be receiving their certificates and badges on Monday.

Attached to this newsletter are the term dates for the next two academic years.

It has been a settled start to the year, with the children getting off to a great start with their learning. I look forward to working with you all during the year ahead.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs S. Pecheur  
Head Teacher

## Attendance News

Next Friday we will be giving out Attendance Awards from the summer term to all of the children who achieved our 97% target or above. This is a total of 314 certificates for children in Years 1 to 6, 212 of these are gold certificates for 100% attendance. We will also be rewarding our Attendance Ambassadors – those children who achieved 100% attendance for the whole school year last year. 65 children will receive a certificate and a £10 WHSmith voucher in recognition of their achievement. Each term we have an attendance and punctuality competition where each class earns points for reaching our 97% target and having less than 5 lates each week. The class with the most points at the end of term receives a reward such as a cinema trip or bowling.

Remember to check out our website [www.wheelerslane-pri.bham.sch.uk](http://www.wheelerslane-pri.bham.sch.uk)



## Dates for your Diary

<u>September</u>	<u>November</u>
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> Freshwater Theatre in for Year 3	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> at 9am Class 4 Assembly
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> at 9am Behaviour Awards Key Stage 2	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> Timezone Romans for Year 4
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> at 2.40pm Behaviour Awards for Key Stage 1	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> Bonfire Night Lunch
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> Roald Dahl Day	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> Timezone Greeks for Year 5
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> at 9am – Parent and Carer Forum meeting	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> at 2pm Open session for prospective Reception parents
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> at 9am Parents and carers coffee morning, everyone welcome	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> at 9.30am Open session for prospective Reception parents
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> at 9am Homework meeting for parents and carers	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> E-safety performance for Years 2-6
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> at 8.55am Class 5A Assembly	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> at 9am Class 6 Assembly
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> Year 6 residential group 1	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> Anti bullying week
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> Year 6 residential group 2	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> at 9am Class 6 Assembly
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> at 9am – Parent and Carer Forum meeting	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> at 9am Class 6 Assembly
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> – Year 6 day trip to Woodlands	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> Young Shakespeare in for Year 6
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> at 8.55am Class 5JB Assembly	
	<b><u>December</u></b>
<b><u>October</u></b>	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> Theatre trip - 101 Dalmatians Years 2 & 5
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> Harvest Collection	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> Theatre trip - 101 Dalmatians Years 1 & 4
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> Precious Lives workshop for Year 6	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> Theatre trip 101 Dalmatians Years 3 & 6
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> Parent Consultations 3.45pm-6.00pm	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> at 2pm Key Stage 1 Christmas Play
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> Parent Consultation 4.00pm-7.00pm	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> at 2pm Key Stage 1 Christmas Play
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> at 8.40am Macmillan Coffee Morning	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> at 9am Key Stage 1 Christmas Play
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> at 8.55am Class 5B Harvest Assembly	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> at 2pm Reception Nativity
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> Attendance Week	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> at 2pm Reception Nativity
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> Timezone Vikings for Year 5	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> Wheelies Christmas Event
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> Individual School Photographs	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> at 2pm Key Stage 2 Concert
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> at 9am Parent and Carer Forum meeting	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> at 9am Key Stage 2 Concert
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> at 9am Class 4 Assembly	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> Diwali Lunch	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> at 9am Key Stage 2 Concert
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> Class 4 Assembly	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> Christmas Parties
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> break up for half term	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> at 12pm Break up for Christmas holidays
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> return to school after half term	
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November Rights Respecting School Week	<b><u>January 2018</u></b>
	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> Teacher Training Day
	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> Term begins for children

### Library Books

Our policy for charges made for lost library books has been reviewed and updated. From the start of this term, the charge for a lost book will be the full cost of replacing that book. We would rather that books be found and returned than having to make a charge. Please support us in helping your child to look after any school books and keep them in a safe place so that they do not get lost. Thank you.

### Lost Property

We have a new lost property box which is now located in the playground outside the hall. This should make it easier for parents and carers to access rather than having to come into school. Please help us in reducing the amount of lost property by ensuring your child's uniform, coat, bag and lunchbox are clearly labelled with their name and class. Thank you.



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## Term dates

<b><u>Term Dates School Year 2017 - 2018</u></b>	<b><u>Term Dates School Year 2018 - 2019</u></b>
<u>Autumn Term 2017</u> Term Starts: Monday 4 September 2017 Half Term: Monday 23 October 2017 – Friday 27 October 2017 Term Ends: Friday 22 December 2017 at 12pm	<u>Autumn Term 2018</u> Term Starts: Monday 3 September 2018 Half Term: Monday 29 October 2018 to Friday 2 November 2018 Term Ends: Friday 21 December 2018
<u>Spring Term 2018</u> Term Starts: Monday 8 January 2018 Half Term: Monday 19 February 2018 – Friday 23 February 2018 Term Ends: Thursday 29 March 2018	<u>Spring Term 2019</u> Term Starts: Monday 7 January 2019 Half Term: Monday 18 February 2019 to Friday 22 February 2019 Term Ends: Friday 12 April 2019
<u>Summer Term 2018</u> Term Starts: Monday 16 April 2018 Half Term: Monday 28 May 2018 – Friday 1 June 2018 Term Ends: Tuesday 24 July 2018	<u>Summer Term 2019</u> Term Starts: Monday 29 April 2019 Half Term: Monday 27 May 2019 to Friday 31 May 2019 Term Ends: Monday 22 July 2019
Training Days: Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2017 Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2018 Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February 2018 (Consultation Day) Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2018 Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2018	Proposed Training Days (to be confirmed) Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2018 Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2019 Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> February 2019 Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2019 1 further day to be identified