



September Newsletter

Friday 6th September 2019

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 a new member of staff to our school: Mr Summers joins us from St Alphege School, he will be doing PPA cover across the school. It is great to have new staff coming in with fresh ideas and the knowledge and experiences that they bring from their previous schools.

Miss Stagg has now begun her maternity leave, we wish her well and look forward to finding out about the new addition to her family.

Today we held our Behaviour Awards assemblies 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. Congratulations to all of the children who received an award.

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 Monday 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 311 certificates for children in Years 1 to 6, 136 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. 52 children will receive a certificate and a £10 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 web.wheelerslane-pri.bham.sch.uk



Dates for your Diary

| <u>September</u> | <u>November</u> |
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| Wednesday 11 th Year 4 Timezone Roman Day | Tuesday 12 th Flu immunisations |
| Thursday 12 th Year 6 Timezone | Wednesday 13 th at 2pm Open session for prospective Reception parents and carers |
| Friday 13 th Roald Dahl Day | Friday 15 th Children in Need |
| Monday 16 th p.m. Year 2 Transport topic launch | Friday 15 th at 2pm Open session for prospective Reception parents and carers |
| Friday 20 th at 9am Class 5C Assembly | Monday 18 th – Friday 22 nd Attendance Week |
| Monday 23 rd Harvest Collection begins | Monday 18 th – Friday 29 th Year 6 Swimming |
| Tuesday 24 th Year 2 trip to the Transport Museum | Wednesday 20 th p.m. Year 4 visit from the Fire Service |
| Thursday 26 th Year 5 Viking Day | Friday 22 nd Aspirations Day |
| Friday 27 th at 8.35am MacMillan Coffee Morning in the small hall | Tuesday 26 th Young Shakespeare Company in for Year 6 |
| Friday 27 th at 9am Class 5K Assembly | <u>December</u> |
| Friday 20 th Eco Warriors Bee Mindful Workshop | Friday 6 th p.m. Theatre trip for Reception |
| <u>October</u> | Monday 9 th a.m. Year 4 and 6 Theatre Trip |
| Thursday 3 rd Birmingham City Mission assemblies | Monday 9 th at 9am Key Stage 1 Christmas Play |
| Friday 4 th at 9am Class 5A Harvest Assembly | Tuesday 10 th at 2.15pm Key Stage 1 Christmas Play |
| Wednesday 9 th 3.30pm – 6.00pm Parent and Carer Consultation Evening | Wednesday 11 th Year 3 and 5 Theatre Trip |
| Thursday 10 th 4.00pm – 7.00pm Parent and Carer Consultation Evening | Wednesday 11 th at 9am Key Stage 1 Christmas Play |
| Friday 11 th Individual and Family Photographs | Wednesday 11 th at 2.30pm Reception Christmas Play |
| Friday 11 th at 9am Class 6R Assembly | Thursday 12 th at 2.30pm Reception Christmas Play |
| Monday 14 th Teacher Training Day – school closed to children | Friday 13 th Wheelies Christmas Event |
| Friday 18 th at 9am Class 6M Assembly | Monday 16 th at 2.15pm Key Stage 2 Christmas Play |
| Monday 21 st – Friday 25 th Around the World Themed Week | Tuesday 17 th at 9am Key Stage 2 Christmas Play |
| Friday 25 th Year 3 Egyptian Day | Tuesday 17 th Christmas Dinner |
| Friday 25 th Non-uniform Day £1 donation | Wednesday 18 th at 9am Key Stage 2 Christmas Play |
| Friday 25 th Children finish for half term | Wednesday 18 th Year 2 Theatre Trip |
| <u>November</u> | Thursday 19 th Christmas Parties |
| Monday 4 th Children return to school | Friday 20 th Non Uniform Day £1 donation |
| Wednesday 6 th – Thursday 7 th Year 5 residential group 1 | Friday 20 th am Class Behaviour Rewards |
| Thursday 7 th – Friday 8 th Year 5 residential group 2 | Friday 20 th at 12pm Children break up for Christmas holidays |
| Friday 8 th at 9am Class 6B Diwali Assembly | <u>January 2020</u> |
| Monday 11 th – Friday 15 th Anti-Bullying Week | Monday 6 th Term begins for children and staff |
| Monday 11 th at 9.30am Open session for prospective Reception parents and carers | |

Lost Property

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.

School Games Mark

We were pleased to be awarded with the Bronze School Games Mark at the end of last term for our commitment to sporting competitions. Thank you to Mr Ricketts, our P.E. Co-ordinator, for organising this for our children. Please see the attached press release for more information.

Nursery Admissions

The Governing Body have reviewed and changed our Nursery admissions criteria so that it is line with the rest of the school. Please see the school website for more information. If you have a child on the waiting list for this year's Nursery, you will receive a letter explaining this in more detail.



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Term dates

| <u>Term Dates School Year 2019 – 2020</u> | <u>Term Dates School Year 2020 – 2021</u> |
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| <u>Autumn Term 2019</u> Term Starts: Monday 2 September 2019 Half Term: Monday 28 October 2019 to Friday 1 November 2019 Term Ends: Friday 20 December 2019 at 12pm | <u>Autumn Term 2020</u> Term Starts: Tuesday 1 September 2020 Half Term: Monday 26 October 2019 to Friday 30 October 2020 Term Ends: Friday 18 December 2020 at 12pm |
| <u>Spring Term 2020</u> Term Starts: Monday 6 January 2020 Half Term: Monday 17 February 2020 to Friday 21 February 2020 Term Ends: Friday 3 April 2020 at 12pm | <u>Spring Term 2021</u> Term Starts: Monday 4 January 2021 Half Term: Monday 15 February 2021 to Friday 19 February 2021 Term Ends: Thursday 1 April 2021 at 12pm |
| <u>Summer Term 2020</u> Term Starts: Monday 20 April 2020 Half Term: Monday 27 May 2019 to Friday 29 May 2020 Term Ends: Thursday 16 July 2020 at 12pm | <u>Summer Term 2021</u> Term Starts: Monday 19 April 2021 Half Term: Monday 31 May 2021 to Friday 4 June 2021 Term Ends: Tuesday 20 July 2021 at 12pm |
| <u>Proposed Training Days:</u> Monday 2 September 2019 Monday 14 October 2019 Monday 24 February 2020 (Consultation Day) Friday 17 July 2020 Monday 20 July 2020 | <u>Proposed Training Days (to be confirmed):</u> Tuesday 1 September 2020 Monday 22 February 2021 (Consultation Day) Wednesday 21 July 2021 Plus two additional days |