



A WORLD OF LEARNING TOGETHER

24th October 2023

End of Half Term Newsletter

Dear parents and carers,

We have had a really successful first half term. The children have made an excellent start and have shown a fantastic attitude to learning! Well done everyone!

Attendance and Lates

We are delighted to say that currently our whole school attendance is **95.8%**. National attendance is currently **94.8**. **We are ABOVE National average!** Persistent absence is currently 13.14%. National average is **15%**. **We are BELOW National average!** Thank you to everyone for ensuring your child attends every day. Just to note, any requests for leave in term time are usually denied and the resulting absences will be unauthorised. **It is also really important that your child arrives ontime by 8:50am. If they arrive later than 9.30, this will be classed as an unauthorised absence.**



Parent workshops

We have had several parent workshops recently. These have been really well supported and well received. Thank you for coming!

Lockdown Practice

As we explained earlier this week, we will now be having a 'Lockdown Practice' every half term in the same way that we have a fire drill. This is simply for children to practise keeping safe in their classrooms with the blinds drawn and the doors locked. This is something all schools need to do in case there is ever a threat in the local area.

Uniform and Lost Property

We are still finding lots of items of lost property around the site. **Please write your child's name and class in their uniform** – this means we can return it to them straight away rather than taking it to our lost property box outside the main office. We will be displaying our uniform on a Friday every week unless it is raining for parents to collect. If items are not collected at the end of a half term they will be kept in school as spare uniform or donated to charity.

Holiday Club

If your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium funding they are invited to attend the holiday club run by Street Futures at Clifton from Mon-Thurs. We have a very limited number of free places still available.

Parking

Thank you for continuing to keep our zigzags clear! Please remember, not to park across the dipped pavements as these provide vital access routes for parents with pushchairs or children in wheelchairs. **Please park to drop your children off at school. It is not safe to stop in the middle of the road and for your child to step out from the car into the road to get themselves to school.**

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School dinners and packed lunches

Once you have decided on your child’s meal pattern (dinners or packed lunches) you must stick to this. If you need to change for a one off emergency, please contact the school office. Thank you.

Parents Evening Dates

Please remember the dates for parents evenings are:

- Mon 13th November Yr 1 and 2
- Tue 14th November Yr 5 and 6
- Wed 15th November Nursery and Reception
- Thurs 16th November Yr 3 and 4

Other dates for your diary:

6/11/23	Flu Vaccinations		
8/11/23	Nursery Parent Workshop Prime Areas Morning and Full time children		Woodland Hall 9:00-10.00 Woodlands Hall 2.15-3.15
9/11/23	Pop up play Village	Reception	Woodland Hall 9:00-11:30
13/11/23	Birmingham City Centre visit	1B	
14/11/23	Birmingham City Centre visit	1A	
15/11/23	Birmingham City Centre visit Diwali performance	1M	Woodland Hall 9am 5B and 5H Woodland Hall 10.30 5RM and 5M
16/11/23	Pop up play Village Birmingham City Centre visit	Reception 1U	Woodland Hall 9:00-11:30
17/11/23	Children in Need Day (Non Uniform)		
20/11/23	Y6 Inspire	6E	Woodland Hall 2:15 – 3:20
21/11/23	Y6 Inspire School Photographs	6C	Woodland Hall 2:15 – 3:20
22/11/23	Y6 Inspire	6SW	Woodland Hall 2:15 – 3:20
23/11/23	Y6 Inspire	6R	Woodland Hall 2:15 – 3:20
24/11/23	KES Maths Tournament for Year 4 Y4 Church Visit	4 X Y4 children	12:30 – 3:30 KES Secondary School 10:00-12:00 St. Anne’s Church, Moseley
27/11/23	Y5 Inspire		Woodland Hall 2:15 – 3:20
28/11/23	Y5 Inspire		Woodland Hall 2:15 – 3:20
29/11/23	Y5 Inspire		Woodland Hall 2:15 – 3:20
30/11/23	Y5 Inspire		Woodland Hall 2:15 – 3:20
1/12/23	Y4 Church Visit		10:00-12:00 St. Anne’s Church, Moseley
4/12/23	Year 3 Inspire		Woodland hall 9-10 am
5/12/23	Year 3 Inspire		Woodland hall 9-10 am

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6/12/23	Year 3 Inspire		Woodland hall 9-10 am
7/12/23	Year 3 Inspire Christmas Jumper Day (for Birmingham Children's Hospital)		Woodland hall 9-10 am
8/12/23	Year 4 Church Visit		10:00-12:00 St. Anne's Church, Moseley
11/12/23	Autism coffee morning	SEND	Woodland hall 9-10:30
15/12/23	Year 4 Church Visit		10:00-12:00 St. Anne's Church, Moseley
18/12/23	Year 4 Christmas festival assembly this week		
21/12/23	Christmas Party Afternoon		

Thank you for your continued support. Have a great half term break!

Yours sincerely,

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