



September 2017 Newsletter

Welcome back to our Autumn term. Pupils have been reminded in assemblies of the School Values.



Value of the month for September is "Happiness"

We aim to ensure all children grow healthily and can learn at school, are protected, have their views listened to and are treated fairly and evenly.

This fits with UNICEF Rights Respect work throughout school (see unicef.org child friendly language).

- This month, cooking has begun in earnest -using all our lovely allotment produce.
- Pupils in Year 6 are planning a Harvest Assembly and inviting parents.
- Elections are planned to vote for your Class Council member and your School Nutrition Action Group member.
- Year 6 have been involved in an overnight camping and team building experience, with qualified 'No Limits' staff.
- School is full, we have no vacancies in Reception to Year 6, and very few spaces remain in nursery.
- Assemblies: in week one, our thoughts were with people affected by natural disasters (hurricanes) across the world, (see article 22). Week two, we marvelled at the Cassini Space Mission and the new knowledge it had brought us (see article 13).
- Year 3 have begun swimming.
- Year 4 have started their year- long music lessons, free of charge from Birmingham Music Service.
- We welcome a new sports coach, Joe Waring



Thank you to all parents who have attended the year group meetings to date. Feedback has been very positive; we are hope to have more of the same.

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Good to be Green Day

At the end of last term, the children who had stayed Green all term had a fun day to celebrate. They had the chance to watch a BMX stunt show on the yard, wear their own clothes (an item of green) and in their classes, take part in play/fun activities for the rest of the day. The children earned the chance to take part in our celebration day by following our schools ethos/values at all times (empathy, happiness, honesty, perseverance, cooperation, respect and responsibility).

Please congratulate your child if they achieved the Bronze, silver and gold badges last year. We hope to see more children achieving their badges for super behaviour this academic year.



Reminder for Year 6 parents

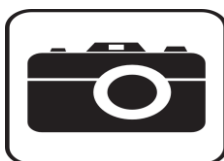
A reminder that you must apply online for your child's secondary school place by 31ST OCTOBER. We are more than happy to help you by talking to you about your options and explain the process. We can also support you in the application by giving you access to computers in school and by helping you to fill in the form Monday to Thursday week beginning 25th September 2017 between 8.45am till 9.30am or 2.30pm until 3.20pm. Please let Mrs Roberts know when you would like to come. You will need to bring your e-mail address with you and we can log you on to the website.

In the event of a fire alarm at the end of the day

On hearing a continuous bell, could we ask parents to move completely away from the doors and allow the teachers to get their children out quickly/safely?

Parents should please wait patiently while a head count/register is taken; this will ensure no one is left inside the building.

Please do not take your pupils home until they are dismissed by teachers. This for everyone's safety. Thank you



School Photo's

Individual pupil and sibling photos will take place during the school day on Wednesday 4th October. Please make sure all pupils are in full school uniform. If you would like any pre-school sibling photo's these will take place in the upper school hall from 8:30am.

'Cashless'

Thank you to all parents who have activated their ParentPay accounts and are now paying online. Please make every effort to pay online to help us work towards being a cashless school. You can now pay for school meals, trips, toast and uniform online via ParentPay. You should have received a letter with log on and password details to register online, if not please contact the school office to request a copy.



School uniform

Polite reminder to parents of the school uniform all pupils are expected to wear:

- Grey trousers or Grey knee length skirt
- Light blue or white school shirts/blouses
- Royal blue school jumpers (no grey or black)
- Royal blue, black or white headscarves
- Black sensible school shoes (no trainers)
- PE Kit - Royal blue t-shirt and shorts, black pumps and spare socks

School uniform must now be ordered via ParentPay in order to help the school go cashless.



Harvest Festival Celebration Lunch

We will be celebrating Harvest Festival with a celebration lunch on Friday 6th October 2017. Please see the menu below;

Roast turkey / halal
Quorn shepherd's pie
Lemon sole grill
Yorkshire pudding
Creamed potatoes
Savoy Cabbage
Sweetcorn, peas, carrots and gravy

Chocolate jam sponge with custard
Strawberries and cream
Yoghurts
Ice cream

Parking

A polite notice to parents to please always park carefully when dropping or collecting your child to or from school. We have had reports of people parking on the yellow zig zag's, this makes crossing very difficult for pedestrians and impairs on coming vehicle's vision.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

AUTUMN TERM 2017	
Friday 20 th October 2017 at end of the school day	End of Term
Monday 30 th October 2017	School open to pupils and staff
Thursday 21 st December 2017 at end of school day	End of Term - Pupils break up for Christmas
Friday 22 nd December 2017	School closed to pupils - Teacher Day
SPRING TERM 2018	
Monday 8 th January 2018	School open to pupils and staff
Friday 16 th February 2018 at end of the school day	End of Term
Monday 26 th February 2018	School open to pupils and staff
Thursday 29 th March 2018 at end of school day	End of Term
Monday 16 th April 2018	School open to pupils and staff
SUMMER TERM 2018	
Monday 7 th May 2018	School closed to all - May bank holiday
Tuesday 8 th May 2018	School open to pupils and staff
Friday 25 th May 2018 at the end of the school day	End of term
Monday 4 th June 2018	School open to pupils and staff
Friday 20 th July 2018 at the end of the school day	End of term

