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20.10.23

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to see and speak with many of you during our parent's evenings this week. Staff were on hand to help with secondary school online applications and also for those of you who have children due to start in reception next September. If you were unable to attend, but require help to complete these, please contact the office.

The weather is now cold and wet and it is essential that all children have a warm coat to wear, when outside. We have large numbers of jumpers and coats in school that have been found and do not have names in. These will be available on the playground at home time next week. If your child has lost a coat or jumper, please come and have a look.

It has been pleasing to see the numbers of parents attending our workshops. The final workshop for this half term will take place on Thursday morning at Sparkhill library with Miss Gibson. Please get in touch if you would like to know more about how you and your child can use the local library.

As the half term break approaches, we hope that all our children and their families enjoy a well-deserved break, spend quality time together and recharge for another exciting half term.

Ms S Taylor
Headteacher

Attendance up until 20.10.23

Whole School		
2020/ 2021	2021/ 2022	2023 to date
92.6	95.2	95.3

Our attendance target is 96%

Class	Percentage
Nursery	92.1
R Inkpen	92.4
R McKee	96.5
1 Donaldson	95.7
1 Murphy	97.1
2 Bloom	94.0
2 Hoffman	95.9
3 Fine	96.3
3 Rauf	97.1
3 Wilson	97.0
4 Morpurgo	98.1
4 Pullman	97.1
5 Blackman	96.5
5 Boyce	95.7
5 Zephaniah	94.8
6 Gavin	98.2
6 Hardy	95.1
6 Naidoo	98.5

Food Bank Donations

We are asking the children to gift an item to our food bank collection. The items should be non-perishable (canned goods, pasta, rice, lentils etc) and within their use-by date.

We appreciate this may be difficult for some families, particularly those who have pupils in multiple year groups, so whatever you can donate will be greatly received as every little helps. The food bank is on 27.10.23 donations can be made until this day.

School Meal Arrangements

Some children who are not registered for dinners appear to be having a dinner. Please inform your child that if they are sandwiches, they need to eat these and not go in for a dinner because they want to be with friends. If your child would like to swap from packed lunch to dinners, we require a week's notice to do this. Please look out for a letter with your child next week to confirm whether your child is dinners or sandwiches.

Reception Class Application **Transition to Primary in** **September 2024**

www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Reminder to make an application for
Reception Class for
September 2024

Please visit the above website to
make an application for your child.

The deadline for applications is
15.01.24. Anything after this date
will be classed as a late application
and you may not get the school
place you would like for your
son/daughter.

Nursery Applications **September 2024**

Do you have a son/daughter born
between 01.09.2020 – 31.08.2021,
applications are now open for
Nursery class for September 2024.

We have open days on

26.10.23 @ 9-10am

14.11.23 @ 3:30-4:30pm

16.11.23 @ 9-10am.

Please inform friends and family to
let them know about the open days
if they have children of Nursery age
or are due to start Reception in
September 2024. We have
application forms at the school office
for you to complete.

Childrens Breaktime Snacks

All KS1 children are provided with a
healthy snack at breaktime so they
do not need to bring a snack to
school with them.

KS2 children can bring a snack with
them but this must be a healthy
snack like a piece of fruit, not crisps
or chocolate bars.

Dates For Your Diary

24.10.23 – Year 6 trip to
RAF Cosford

26.10.23 – Sparkhill Library Parent
Workshop

27.10.23 – School breaks up
for half term

06.11.23 – School re-opens
after half term

**31.10.23 – DEADLINE TO
COMPLETE SECONDARY
SCHOOL APPLICATION FOR
SEPTEMBER 2024**

27.11.23 – Yr3 visit to River Cole

Attendance

Children who have 100% attendance for the whole year and do not take more than the one authorised day for religious observance will be treated to a day out at the end of the academic year.

Details will also be released shortly of our annual 100% attendance trip.

Please speak to Miss Stringer or Mrs Hussain a member of staff if you need help to ensure that your child attends school daily.