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“Through Jesus we achieve our very best.”

Newsletter No 10 – Friday 8th February 2019

Attendance & Punctuality since last newsletter. Congratulations to Reception and Year 2!

Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
% Attendance	97.8%	94.8%	94.6%	91.9%	95.7%	96.8%	92.7%
No of Lates	16	30	2	10	16	13	24
Whole school attendance this fortnight			94.9 %	School Target			96%

DIARY DATES:

- **Mon 11th Feb.** Boys Football League match v Billesley's - 4pm
- **Tue 12th Feb.** Year 4 Mass - 9.30am - All welcome
- **Wed 13th Feb.** Netball match v Harborne - home - 3.45pm
- **Thu 14th Feb.** Coffee Morning - School house - 9am
Year 3 Inspire Workshop - 9.15am
- **Fri 15th Feb.** Trainer Day for Lourdes - £1
- **Fri 15th Feb.** **SCHOOL CLOSSES** for Half-Term break
- **Mon 25th Feb.** **SCHOOL RE-OPENS** - 8.55am
- **Tue 26th Feb.** No Mass
- **Thu 28th Feb.** Netball match v Harborne - away - 3.45pm
- **Tue 5th Mar.** Year 3 Mass *Lent* - 9.30am - All welcome
Boys Vase Cup Football match v Bells Farm Junior's - 3.45
- **Thu 7th Mar.** Year 5/6 Handball Competition - Moseley - 4pm
- **Mon 11th Mar.** Boys Football League match v Severne's - 4pm
- **Tue 12th Mar.** Year 2 Mass - 9.30am - All welcome
- Basketball A Team Grand Final Plate Trophy - 3.45pm
- **Wed 13th Mar.** Year 5 Inspire Workshop - 9.15am
Year 5/6 Swimming Gala - King Edward's - 4pm

AFTER-SCHOOL SPORTS CLUBS

The next half-term is extremely busy with all Football & Netball League matches taking place as well as many other sporting competitions. As these must take priority there are very few after-school sports clubs going ahead. For any after-school clubs which are planned, letters will go out before the end of this half-term. Please hand in consent forms ASAP to guarantee your child's place. **They cannot attend without a signed consent form.** Thank you.



Any school sports kits need to be washed and brought back into school ASAP. With Netball & Football matches happening very regularly after half-term, kits at present are very low. Thank you to parents who do this on a regular basis.



Our nutritious and tasty school dinners are still only £2.30. This totals £69 for the half-term. Payments can be made at the school office on

Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday of each week. To support parents, if debts accumulate to any more than £50, we will inform you and your child will need to bring a packed lunch to school until the debt is reduced/cleared. **If you think that you may be entitled to free school meals, please see Mrs Sullivan.** Many thanks.



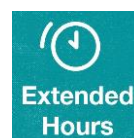
Our 14 Playleaders have now gained their Silver Award and were presented with their certificates in assembly last week.

They have also been given a brand new bright Playleader bib which makes the other children aware of their role. They are working hard with our Key Stage 1 children during their lunchtime to make sure the children are keeping physically active and playing safe.



14th February
11th April
9am

Please do add these dates to your diary – our coffee mornings are a wonderful opportunity to meet and chat with other parents and our Family Support Worker Mrs Dowling.



**3.30
to
5.30pm**



Our After-School Club stays open up until 5.30pm every school day (£5 an hour).

School Crossings Patrol Warden needed at Church road near Woodbridge Road

Pro Rata £17,007 - £19,446 (Part time)

Working 8 hours

Application Forms can be completed online:

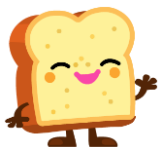
www.birmingham.gov.uk/jobs

Any Questions call School Crossings on 0121 303 7777

or email: schoolcrossings@birmingham.gov.uk



Congratulations to Year 5 who were the January winners of the *Walk to School* Trophy. They had the most active journeys in the school last month. Remember to walk, park and stride or hop off to help your class win next month. The more children who walk all or part of the way to school, the safer our roads are and the cleaner the air is.



Toast for children in KS2

We are now providing a healthy snack for children in Key Stage 2.

Research continues to show the importance of fibre to a child's diet. Our Reception and Key Stage 1 children are provided with fruit, containing 3 to 4 grams of fibre as well as vitamins, every day. For our Key Stage 2 children, we now offer the opportunity to buy a piece of wholemeal toast (2g of fibre) for 25p during morning playtime. If your child is in Years 3, 4, 5 or 6 and you would like them to have a piece of toast, please send her/him with 25p each day. The children can then have the responsibility of looking after the 25p until playtime, which is good for their independence.



Well done to Ishmail, Year 4, who, after about 18 months kick-boxing practice, won a trophy on Thursday 17th January.

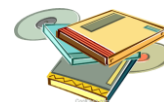
Request from Miss Ganley

Donations of any unwanted cuddly toys would be greatly appreciated in Year 1. Thank you.



Request from Mrs Sanders

... for any children's music CDs you would be willing to donate. It would be nice at lunchtime to have some music playing over in the house.



There have been a lot of children off sick these past 2 weeks. Please help us preventing the germs to spread by teaching your children to wash their hands properly and regularly.



Well done to Year 5 for leading the school in a beautiful Mass on the theme of forgiveness. Many thanks to the parents who were able to come.

Our next Mass is on Tuesday 12th when Year 4 will lead us in celebrating the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. Every year, over a thousand pilgrims from Birmingham visit Lourdes. Our parish is raising money to pay for two or three parishioners with long term sickness to go this year along with nurses. To help them raise the money, our children may wear trainers next Friday for a donation of a £1. Thank you for your support.



Edgbaston are currently running free *Chance 2 Shine Street Cricket* sessions for 8-15 years old at Joseph Chamberlain College on Saturdays 12-3pm.

For more information you would need to contact Eaton Gordon on 0121 446 3652. There is a girls only session for the same age group which runs on a Tuesday evening from 6pm-7pm at Moseley Secondary School Sports Hall - for more information relating to the girls session only, please speak to Miss Haydon.

Congratulations to the following children who have celebrated their hard work and excellent behaviour with an afternoon tea!

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| Rec – Maleeya & Rayyan | Year 3 – Mem & Faizan |
| Year 1 – Joseph & Ayana | Year 4 – Kazim & Aliyah |
| Year 2 – Hanin & Maryam | Year 5 – Amelia & Mya |
| | Year 6 – Raafi & Reuben |