



Friday 28th September 2018

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Dear Parents and Carers.

The children have had a fabulous fortnight in school. Last Thursday the Brilliant Loudmouth Theatre Company came into school to perform a piece for the year 5 children around personal safety. The children really enjoyed the performance and learned lots about how to keep themselves safe. There are trips in all year groups in the next two weeks and children and staff alike are excited about the planned visits, we look forward to sharing photos and follow up work from the trip on Twitter and our next edition of In The Know. Thank you to the parents and carers who joined me for our recent Parent's breakfast it was really useful to hear your feedback so we can work in partnership to continue to improve as a school. Following feedback from the meeting all letters from school are now uploaded onto the website on the day of sending and will also be emailed to parents and carers who have provided school with an email address. Please check the school website and your emails regularly to keep up to date with school news.







#### Curriculum

Year 1 have been working really hard on their homework topic 'toys from the past' and are enjoying displaying their homework on the 'Proud Cloud.' The Topic in Year 2 is 'Wonder Women' the children have been learning about important women from the past. This week we were visited by Pip the penguin who rushed in to tell us he'd travelled back in time and met a famous wonder woman for us to learn about. The problem was, Pip hit his head when he got out of the time machine and couldn't remember a thing! All he had was an old photograph for us to look at. The children looked at the photograph, and as a group, thought of their own questions to ask Pip that might help him remember pieces of information about the important woman in the photograph. From their questions they found out she is Queen Victoria! This week Year 3 have been learning about Forces and Magnets in Science. We investigated different types of forces, used magnets to find and record magnetic materials and even played some exciting games using magnets and our newly discovered knowledge of all things magnetic.

### Stay and Play Sessions

There will be a stay and play session for prospective parents of children entering school in September 2019. This will be on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October from 10am - 11 am. Parents can you please pass this message on to parents who may be looking for a place in September 2019 for their child?

Contact the school on 0121 475 3881 to book a place.

## Parent, Teacher and Friends Association

Please return the surveys sent home about your views for events the PTFA could host and how you think any monies raised should be spent in school. In order to have a successful PTFA we need the support of as many parents and carers as we can.

## **Every Child a Reader!**

Parents and Carers of children in year 1 are invited to join Miss Buttery in Year 1 every Monday at 8.55am to 9.15am join in their child's phonic lesson and learn the sounds being taught that week. This is a great opportunity to learn practical ways to support your child's learning at home. We look forward to seeing you.

# **Poetry Workshops**

Please come and join your child in year 3 and 5 for a poetry workshop at 9.00am on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October which is National Poetry day.

### Free School Meals

The children in reception up to year 2 receive free school meals at lunchtime. If your child has started in year 3 this term or is in year 5 please remember that you will need to pay for your child's meal or complete an application form for free school meals. If you need support in doing this please make an appointment with Mrs Bharj who can guide you through this process.

# **Parking**

School are launching a new Safer Parking Campaign next week. We will be sending home leaflets advising parents how to park safely and awarding Car Pledge stickers to parents who are parking respectfully. We will launch this with an assembly on Monday 1st October for pupils and hope that parents will support school and other parents in keeping all of the children safe on the journey to and from school.

## Upcoming dates and Reminders this Half Term:

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October- Year 2 Trip to Selly Manor

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October – Stay and Play Session - 10am to 11am

**Thursday 4th October –** Inspire Workshop Poetry Years 3 and 5 - 9.00am

Monday 8th October - Year 5 Trip to Thinktank

Tuesday 9th October - Year 2 Guided reading Workshop - 9.00am

Wednesday 10th October- Year 3 trip to RAF Cosford

Thursday 11th October- Year 1 trip to the Birmingham Nature Centre.

Friday 12th October- EYFS Parent Workshop

Thursday 25th October - Primary Parents Evening

Friday 26th October- Primary 100% Attendance assembly

Friday 26th October- PTFA Autumn Fayre

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November - School Closed Teacher Training Day

### School Term Dates 2018 to 2019

#### Autumn Term 2018

Term Starts: Monday 3 September 2018

Half Term: Monday 29 October 2018 to Friday 2 November 2018

Term Ends: Friday 21 December 2018

### Spring Term 2019

Term Starts: Monday 7 January 2019

Half Term: Monday 18 February 2019 to Friday 22 February 2019

Term Ends: Friday 12 April 2019

### **Summer Term 2019**

Term Starts: Monday 29 April 2019

Half Term: Monday 27 May 2019 to Friday 31 May 2019

Term Ends: Friday 19 July 2019