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Dates for your Diary

9am Wednesday 13th December 5B Class assembly

9am Wednesday 20th December Nursery and Reception assembly

Friday 15th December is Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 21st December Christmas parties in the afternoon

School closes at 3.15pm on Friday 22nd December and reopens on Monday 8th January 2018



Save the Children Christmas Jumper day is on Friday 15th December.

This is a non-uniform day when children can wear a Christmas Jumper and pay £1. All monies received on this day will go to Save the Children.



Christmas Disco in school

Handwriting Competition

Congratulations to Safia Lardner who won the handwriting competition in Year 5.



Birmingham Children Hospital Appeal
Jood in 3BM won the jar of sweets. We raised £39.50

Monday 18th December Reception 12.00-12.30

Year 5 12.45-1.15

Tuesday 19th December Year 1 12.30-1.00

Year 4 12.45-1.15

Wednesday : **Christmas dinner**

Thursday 21st December Year 2 12.30-1.00

Year 6 12.45—1.15

Friday 22nd December Year 3 12.45-1.15

Parents are invited to join their child at the disco to help with supervision. Your help would be appreciated



Last week Year 6 were fortunate enough to watch a magnificent performance of Macbeth by the Young Shakespeare Company. All agreed that it was an amazing experience as full audience participation was required. What was very heartening to hear was that the actors commented that our Year 6 children provided one of the best audiences they'd ever had—they loved the way they were so enthusiastic and so ready to join in. Well done, Year 6—this was very pleasing to hear.

Library events

Did you know that from now until the 16th December, Balsall Heath library will be holding a range of art sessions based around the theme of 'Winter wonderland' every Saturday? These sessions will include fantastic activities like decorating the library Christmas tree, making calendars and Christmas decorations. Please note that this club is run subject to staff availability and for children aged 5-11 year olds. Please telephone the library for more information on 0121 464 1962.

Do you have a children of pre-school age? Did you know there are free storytelling and music sessions at Balsall Heath and Hall Green library?

Musical Babies at Hall Green Library every Tuesday 11am - 11.30am at Hall Green Library

Guidance: 0 - 1 year olds

Super Story Time at Balsall Heath Library Every Monday, 11am-11.30am (term time only) at Balsall Heath Library

Guidance: Babies and children under 5 and their parents and carers.

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Article 6 (life, survival and development)

Every child has the right to life. Governments must do all they can to ensure that children survive and develop to their full potential

Inspire Workshops for Autumn Term

These will be connected with maths this term and we do hope that as many parents as possible will attend. Please note that, for Years 2, these workshops will be held in maths groups, not in the children's usual classes. The dates of the workshops are as follows:

Reception 9.00am on Thursday 7th December—classes RL and RLa

Year 2 9.00am on Thursday 14th December—classes 2T and 2H
2.00pm on Thursday 14th December—class 2G

Nursery 9.00am on Wednesday 17th January for parents of morning children
2.00pm on Wednesday 17th January for parents of afternoon children

Year 5 held their maths Inspire workshops last week and here are some comments from parents who attended them:

- Excellent session enjoyed by me and my son a lot. Hopefully, there will be more.
- I really enjoyed coming to the inspire workshop.
- Today's maths workshop was quite challenging but also very enjoyable working with my child. Looking forward to the next one.
- We need more workshops for parents to understand our children's work. Really enjoyed today.
- Loved the maths workshop—especially the way the child can learn and remember times tables.
- Excellent workshop—it's great to see my daughter is understanding and able to use multiples and factors.
- Really enjoyed the workshop with my daughter. It was made fun with a rap and some games to play with her. Thank you.
- An interesting morning that tested my mathematical skills! The children are more advanced than we often realise!
- I liked this maths workshop. Very good.
- It was really good see how the children learn maths and to be able to take part.
- We enjoyed having the contest because it helped us achieve more.
- Good methods used to identify prime, square and composite numbers.
- The inspire workshop was really informative and gave an in depth, hands on experience as to how the kids learn their prime, factors and composite numbers through rap and other methods which made it fun. I wouldn't change anything.
- I enjoyed learning with my child. I learned a lot about multiplying and prime numbers.
- I enjoyed working with my child and found she works well.

Congratulations to Classes 6S, 6K and 6B where every single child brought in their reading records this week. It is fantastic that you are all taking your reading very seriously. Well done also to Years 4 and 5 who are also making a real improvement in reading at home and bringing their reading diaries in.



Talk Homework

This week, for Talk Homework, please talk about any new words that you have learned this week. Can you explain what they mean and are you able to put them in a sentence?

Special congratulations to the following children who have managed to make 20 comments in their reading diaries (10 comments for Foundation and KS1). These children are simply reading for 30 minutes every night and recording in their reading diary at the same time.

Reception Prizes: Amaan, Luqman, Alwleed, Kayla, Daniyah, Daryan, Khaled

Reception Books: Sam, Hadiyah, Elisha, Faizan, Andreea, Tariq, Tasneem

Year 1 Prizes: Marwa, Bilal, Jay, Kiyannah, Nayah, Lucas,

Year 1 Books: Ayesha, Gurleenpreet, Yabsera

Year 2 Prizes: Ali, Muhammed - Year 1 Books : Abdullah, Mustafa, Sam, Mehvish, Fatima

Year 3 Prizes: Ayyub, Umar, Ola Bilal, Sukaina, Toringa, Humayra, Bilal

Year 3 Books: Ibrahim, Melissa, Toringa, Faizaan

Year 4 Prizes: Karina, Jawayriah, Maleekah, Ayas, Sumaiya, Umar, Fatimah, Hafsah,

Year 4 Books: Adrian, Hafzah, Hafsah, Aatikah, Yashraj, Haleema, Siraj, Zaakira, Kotryna

Year 5 Prizes: Teiyani, Muhammed Yahya, Suwayba, Inaaya, Haythem, Walaa, Yousha,

Year 5 Books: Walaa, Yousha, Hamzah, Zakkiyah, Khalil, Mohammed Saif, Mohammed Asad, Iftikhar, Teiyani

Year 6 Prizes: Ayesha, Elyass, Haseeb, Huzaifa, Ibraheem, Lamin, Mohammed, Mustafa, Noreen, Owais, Safah, Yaseen, Zakir, Alina, Areej, Aribah, Ayman, Dilan, Esha, Hafsah, Kamal, Mohammed, Rafi, Reya, Ummhania, Andre, Asad, Cristina, Erin, Fatema, Ismail, Mobessan, Myiesha, Nicholas, Renee, Simra, Subhaan, Zainab, Zakriya, Aaminah, Aima, Arif, Guste, Hamaad, Iman, Isaah, Kamal, Mohamad, Mohammed, Nayana, Saliha, Tristan-Lee, Zakir

Year 6 Books : Ammarah, Ayesha, Draydynn, Elyass, Haneen, Haseeb, Huzaifa, Yusuf, Mustafa, Noreen, Safah, Zakariya, Zuhair Adam, Ajmal, Alina, Areej, Aribah, Esha, Huzafah, Isaac, Malamin, Reya, Ummhania, Zara, Andre, Armani, Cristina, Erin, Elyas, Ismail, Khatijah, Louie, Myiesha, Renee, Shenayah, Zarariya, Amminah, Ahmad, Aima, Arif, Hafsa, Hamaad, Iman, Isaah, Maryam, Mikail, Mohamad, Mohamed Sylla, Mohammed, Moin, Ridhwan, Saliha, Tristan-Lee.

Attendance % and number of lates for 17th –23rd November

RL	Attendance	Lates	RLa	Attendance	Lates	1BM	Attendance	Lates	1G	Attendance	Lates
	97.33%	5		93.1%	5		95.2%	6		94.8%	6
1W	Attendance	Lates	2G	Attendance	Lates	2H	Attendance	Lates	2T	Attendance	Lates
	96.43%	2		94.07%	1		94.62%	9		97.78%	7
3BM	Attendance	Lates	3P	Attendance	Lates	3R	Attendance	Lates	4B	Attendance	Lates
	100%	3		98.46%	5		98.18%	4		95%	2
4E	Attendance	Lates	4S	Attendance	Lates	5B	Attendance	Lates	5G	Attendance	Lates
	95.36%	4		93.33%	1		99.24%	7		93.85%	3
5M	Attendance	Lates	6B	Attendance	Lates	6K	Attendance	Lates	6R	Attendance	Lates
	96.15%	9		95%	3		93.33%	5		95.24%	8
6S	Attendance	Lates									
	95.24%	5									

Overall attendance for last week was **95.6%** excluding Reception and **95.38%** including Reception, both figures of which were below the national expectation. The total number of lates last week was **90** excluding Reception and **100** including Reception. Congratulations to 3BM for 100%! Well done to 4S and 2G for only having one late each.

Nursery Attendance

The highest attending groups in Nursery last week were the morning Ladybirds group with 93% and the afternoon Ladybirds group with 84%. Well done to the following children who achieved 100% last week in Nursery:

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Ahmed Khan, Ameera Hayat, Enayah Khan, Mustafa Khan, Yusuf Khan, Elena Morozova, Rudolph Osbourne, Anayah Rehman, Elijah Tomlinson, Aymen Derbal, Lyba Irfan, Maryam Khan, Ruqaya Khan, Yunis Saleh and Kayden Wheatley.

Attendance Spotlight Campaign and Penalty Fines for Unauthorised Leave in Term Time

In accordance with advice given to us by Edwina Langley, the Attendance Lead for Birmingham, would like to remind you that, **if your child's attendance drops below 92%, we cannot authorise any more absences unless we have medical proof or you come and discuss with us what is happening.** Obviously, if a child is seriously ill, we would not expect them to attend school but, as stated above, please keep us informed. We would also urge you to make medical appointments outside school times whenever you can and arrange that children are only out of school for the duration of the appointment.

Also in accordance with guidance issued to us by the local authority, if you now take your child out of school during term time for unauthorised leave, you may become liable for a penalty fine of £60 per parent, per child. Several of our families have, unfortunately, already had this fine levied on them by the Local Authority.

As always, we would like to thank the large majority of parents who ensure their children attend school every day and on time.