

May 2026 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for all of your support this half term. We have many events and trips booked for next half term and value your support.

Year 6 SATS

The children worked extremely hard over the past few months preparing for their SATS and during the week of SATS. Thankyou for the support that you gave your children at home.

MTC/Phonics screening

The MTC (timestables check) this is a statutory assessment for pupils in year 4 and will take place over 2 weeks beginning from the 1st June.

Please ensure that your child practises over the holiday.

Phonics screening takes place the week beginning the 8th June for year 1 pupils. Please continue to practise reading with your children over the next few weeks. Revision is taking place in school alongside the usual phonics lessons.

Attendance

Attendance is continuing to be closely monitored with involvement from the local authority and is improving. Thank you for your supporting attendance and ensuring that your child is in school every day. **Could I please remind you that school starts at 8.45am. All children should be coming into school through the side gate and through their own entrances. The main entrance should only be used in exceptional circumstances and not on a daily basis.** There are currently too many children arriving late and coming into school through the main entrance. This makes registers difficult and increased work for the office staff. If the side gate is open, please use it. If you have a genuine problem with getting your child/children to school on time, please arrange a meeting with Jo Gamwell (DSL) and Sara Poulton (attendance officer). Can I please remind parents that you should only be collecting children early at the end of the day if you have a genuine reason/appointment. We cannot guarantee that children can be collected or brought to the office early at the end of the day due to staffing and children taking part in lessons not in their own classrooms. **Reminder - Term time holidays cannot be authorised.**



Drop off/pick up

Please do not walk across the car park, use the path. Please be considerate when parking near school and do not block residents drives.

Uniform

Grey trousers/skirt/pinafore

White polo shirt

Royal blue sweatshirt/cardigan (with school logo which you can purchase from Gogna

Uniform supplier or a plain one from a supermarket

Grey tights for girls or black/white socks

Black shoes (no trainers)

Hairbands/bows should be blue or black and not too large

When buying new school uniform for next year, some may have the new logo on it. There will be a transition period over next year where we will have a combination of both school badges. This is due to children currently having uniform and stock that is still available to buy at the moment.



PE Kit

Could you please ensure that your child/children wear a school PE kit on the appropriate PE days. **If their PE kit is required for booked After School clubs on other days, or a sports event, please send it in a drawstring bag.**



The correct PE kit is:

Black shorts/leggings/joggers

Plain white t-shirt

Plain black hoody/zip up hooded top

Black pumps or trainers.

Black plimsolls for EYFS and KS1 must be in school in a drawstring bag.



PE lessons are now beginning to take place outside so it is advisable that your child wears joggers/leggings and a hooded top/trainers on their PE days in cooler weather.

EARRINGS CANNOT BE WORN FOR PE or SWIMMING.

IF CHILDREN ARE UNABLE TO REMOVE THEIR OWN EARRINGS, PLEASE TAKE THEM OUT BEFORE SCHOOL ON PE DAYS.

Trips/visits

A number of visits and competitions have taken place this term with children attending events at the West Bromwich Albion Dome and other sports venues. Both the boys and girls football teams have done extremely well this year and got through to the finals. Unfortunately, they do not win the league but they put up a good fight. Some year 5 children were privileged to visit London and the Houses of Parliament this half term, a group of year 6 children will be visiting in London in June which includes an overnight stay, an experience on a river boat cruise and the London eye and a visit to the science museum. Thank you for all of your payments/contributions towards these experiences. Trips have been booked to various places for the summer term for each year group, payments can be paid in instalments. If you have any concerns about making payments towards the trips, please come and speak to me.

Upcoming Events and Trips

Please see list of dates for the year. All trips will be payable on ParentPay.

Outdoor learning experience

Over the past 2 days the whole school has taken part in an outdoor learning experience – incorporating the outdoors into the curriculum. The children enjoyed the day and were observed by a LA advisor taking part in the activities.

Baggy Bird

Thank you for all of your sport for this event. This raised just under a £1000 for school.

Family Picnic

This takes place on the afternoon of Wednesday 24th June. Please bring your picnic rugs and chairs and join us for the afternoon. There will be a selection of stalls and donkey's/petting farm for children to experience. More details to follow nearer the date. (This is for our school pupils and parents/grandparents only).

Sports days

Please bring your picnic chairs/blankets and join us for our sports days.

EYFS – 9.15am – Wednesday 8th July

KS1 – 9.15am – Tuesday 23rd June

KS2 – 9.15am – Monday 22nd June

Family Picnic

This will take place on the **afternoon of Wednesday 24th June** on the school field (weather permitting) we have inflatables, donkeys, a petting farm, a children's entertainer and various stalls. We invite you to bring along a picnic and enjoy the afternoon. **Please note the change of date from Thursday 18th June.** More information to follow nearer the date.
(please note, the early years sports day will be moved to July)

Meet the teacher morning

There will be an opportunity for you to meet your child's class teacher for next year on the morning of 1st July. Year 1 to 6 teachers will be available in the hall 9am-10am for a drop-in session. If you are unable to make it and would like to speak to your child's new teacher, please make an appointment. Children will be going to meet their new teacher on Tuesday 30th June.

Snacks – Breaktime

Children will have free milk until their 5th birthday, children can continue to have milk after their 5th birthday, this can be ordered and paid for on from COOLMILK.com. EYFS/KS1 children have fruit at snack time/breaktime. KS1 and KS2 children can pay 20p per day or £1 a week for toast or they are welcome to bring a healthy snack from home. **Packets of crisps and chocolate bars are not allowed at breaktime.**

Lunchtimes

Nursery – 11.45-12.30
Reception – 11.45-12.45
KS1 – 12.00-12.55
KS2 – 12.15-1.05

Children are allowed to bring their own drink to have with their lunch if they wish. All children must have a water bottle in school every day for drinks throughout the day.

Inspire workshops

Thank you to the parents who have already supported their child this year at inspire workshops. These will take continue to place over the year. Please see the list of dates below and on the website for your child's inspire workshop that you are invited to.

INSPIRE SESSIONS 2025/2026				
YR	REG	DAY	DATE	TOPIC
3	Eagles	Friday	26/06/2026	Textiles – Cross stitch
	Wrens	Monday	29/06/2026	Textiles – Cross stitch
4	Falcons	Friday	12/06/2026	Structures - Pavilions
	Starlings	Monday	15/06/2026	Structures - Pavilions

EYFS - Nursery

We still have a number of part time places available in nursery for September. Please contact the office if you have a child who will be 3 by 31st august this year or pass this information on to family or friends.

Thank you all for your continued support. Have a lovely break and we will see you back at school on Monday 1st June..

Regards

Mrs Jayne Bayliss

Head Teacher