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Issue

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am pleased to report that our Grand Opening went extremely well last week. The Y6 pupils who performed poetry and read a reflection in assembly did us proud, as did all the pupils during our whole school rendition of the REAch2 song. Miss Cathie Paine, the REAch2 CEO, and all the other visitors had a wonderful time and commented on how fantastic our children were!

On Wednesday this week, our attendance was over 98%! Thank you to all parents supporting their children's education by ensuring they are at school daily and on time. Please remember that learning starts as soon as children enter the classroom at 8.45am.

This week, we held our first phonics workshop for the parent's of our Reception children - it was lovely to welcome so many of you to school and we thank you for your support. Check the Dates For Your Dairy section for news of any upcoming workshops.

You will have received your letters about our upcoming parents' evening. Senior leaders will be available on the evening and happy to speak with parents during the evening.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Miss Gibson – Acting Head of School

Attendance up until 04.10.24

Whole School		
2022/2023	2023/2024	2024 to date
93.8	94.5	95.9

Our attendance target is 96% minimum

Class	%
Nursery	91.9
R Inkpen	92.0
R McKee	89.0
1 Donaldson	95.5
1 Murphy	96.6
2 Bloom	97.1
2 Hoffman	92.1
3 Fine	96.7
3 Wilson	91.9
4 Morpurgo	98.0
4 Pullman	97.3
5 Blackman	95.5
5 Naidoo	98.9
5 Zephaniah	97.5
6 Gavin	95.5
6 Hardy	98.8

Food Bank

We will be collecting donations for our first foodbank this academic year between **Monday 14th and Thursday 24th October 2024.**

Suggested Donations:

- Rice/ Flour/ Pasta/Lentils
- UHT / long-life milk/Cereal boxes/ Crisps
- Long-life fruit juice/Squash / cordial
- Tinned fruit/Tinned vegetables/Tinned meat/fish
- Sugar/Tea and coffee
- Soap/shower gel/hand sanitiser/ toothpaste/feminine hygiene products

The items should be non-perishable and within their use-by date. We appreciate this may be difficult for some families so whatever you can donate will be greatly received.

Family Support

It is fair to say that most of us are finding the current living crisis difficult. As a school, we can offer Early Help if you are struggling. We work closely with Hall Green Families to offer support on the following:

- Attendance
- Domestic abuse
- Financial difficulties
- Food and energy support
- Mental health
- Behaviour or Parenting support
- Special needs and disabilities.

If you feel you would benefit from support, please call the school office on 0121 464 3618 to arrange a confidential appointment.

Reception Application

If your child was born between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021, they will be able to start school in September 2025.

Applications for reception places in September 2025 open at 9:00am on 1st October 2024.

The closing date is at 11:59pm on 15 January 2025.

Applications received after the statutory closing date (15 January 2025) for primary school will only be considered after applications received on time have been processed.

Information to support parent/carers can be found on the council website:

[Apply online - changes of preferences | Apply for reception class or primary school | Birmingham City Council](#)

If you need help completing the application, there will be members of staff available to support you during Parents Evening on Wednesday 16th October 2024.

Year 6 Secondary School Application

Applications are now open for current Year 6 children to apply to transfer to secondary school in September 2025.

Parents/carers can apply up to 11.59 pm on 31 October 2024.

Applications received after the closing date are treated as 'late applications' and less likely to be offered one of their preferred schools.

Information to support parent/carers can be found on the council website:

https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/20119/school_admissions/1778/secondary_school_year_7_admissions/1

We recommend that parents/carers use all of their six preferences to maximise their chances of getting a place at one of the schools that they prefer.

If you need help completing the application, there will be members of staff available to support you during Parents Evening on Wednesday 16th October 2024.

Parents Evening

Parents Evening will be taking place on Wednesday 16th October 2024.

School closes for all children at 1.30pm

Get Cash for Our School!

Between 2nd September and 30th November 2024, every time customers shop with Asda using their Rewards app, they can choose a primary school to receive a percentage of their spend.

Every time a customer chooses our school, Asda will donate £1 to our school's Cashpot,

Please nominate Springfield Primary Academy as your school of choice!

Dates For Your Diary

16.10.24 – Parents Evening – School closes to all children at 1.30pm

18.10.2024 – Year 1 and Year 2 Phonics Workshop

24.10.2024 - Year 6 Expectations Workshop

28.10.24 – 01.11.24 – Half Term Holidays - School is closed to all pupils

31.10.24 – Secondary School Application Deadline

04.11.24 – School re-opens for all pupils

Attendance

Children who have 100% attendance for the whole year and have not taken more than the one authorised day for religious observance are being treated to a day out at the beach. Letters have been sent out to those children. If you have not received a letter and believe you should have, please see Miss Stringer or Mrs Hussain

Speak to Miss Stringer or Mrs Hussain if you need help with attendance.