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Vewsletter

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Message from Head Teacher

A huge well done and thank you to all our Year 6 pupils who stood for the positions of House or Sports Captains this year. Each pupil made a speech in their House Assembly outlining what they could bring to the role. The standard of the presentations was extremely high this year and each of these pupils should be extremely proud of themselves.

Badges were presented in assembly on Friday.



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A reminder that tomorrow, Friday 4th

Time Tables Rock Stars



October we are launching our new Rock Stars Times Tables programme. We will predominately be using this in Years 2 to 6 to help children learn and apply their times table facts. To mark the day, we would like everyone, including Nursery and Reception and Year 1 children to come dressed as rock stars! All children (including Nursery, Reception and Year 1) will be taking part in fun Maths activities during the day.

Macmillan Coffee Morning A HUGE thank you to everyone who supported our Macmillan Coffee Morning on 27th September.



We raised £419.14 and it was lovely to see so many parents and grandparents supporting this event. Thank you to Mrs High and all the parents and staff who helped with the organisation and by



Harvest Assembly

This year our Harvest assemblies will be held on **Tuesday 15th October**. Parents of pupils in Reception are invited to attend the Infant assembly which starts at 9.00 a.m. This year we have a local focus for our Harvest Appeal. Pupils are asked to bring donations of food - tins and packets are best - to support our community through our local foodbank. Thank you in advance for your support of this worthy cause.

NOSPA NEWS AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS



NOSPA NEWS



AGM

We will shortly be announcing the date for our AGM. Please come along and see what NOSPA is all about and our plans for this academic year.

Upcoming Events

Halloween Disco – Thursday 24th October Flip & Dippy – Friday 15th November

PE Kits

Orders being taken for delivery after half term. Next deadline for orders will be Friday 11th October

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ALL THE MONEY NOSPA MAKES GOES TO SCHOOL

Impact Sessions

Year 6 Impact Sessions will take place on the following dates:

Tuesday 5th November 9.15 a.m. Mr Hamilton's English set

Wednesday 6th November 9.15 a.m. Mrs Gale's English set

Thursday 7th November 9.15 a.m. Miss Coleman's English set

Year 5 Impact sessions will take place on the following dates:

Monday 11th November 9.15 a.m. Mr Wood's Maths set

Wednesday 13th November 9.15 a.m.

Mrs Reames' Maths set

Thursday 14th November 9.15 a.m. Miss Reardon's Maths set

We ask that each pupil has a parent/carer or family member to work with during this session if at all possible please.

School Photographs

I hope you are pleased with your child's/family's photograph proofs (sent home today).

Please note that all orders this year are online. Please do not return orders to the school office. The deadline for online ordering with free postage of the photographs back to school is **Friday**, **11**th **October**.

Secondary School Applications

A reminder that the final deadline for Secondary School applications is **Thursday**, **31**st **October 2019**.

Year 6 Rotary Award

Rotary Award diaries and folders have been sent home.



Please support your child to complete the plan for as many of the sections as possible with their ideas for the award. Mrs Walklett will then look through each plan and give some feedback/additional ideas where required. The completed plans need to be handed to Mrs Walklett by **Monday 7th October**.

Dawn Til Dusk

Our Dawn til Dusk team would be very grateful for any donations of wool for making pompoms. If you can help please hand this in at Dawn til Dusk or at the School Office. Thank you.

Reading Ambassadors

Congratulations to our 'Reading Ambassadors' for 2019-20 who have been appointed to help us to promote and celebrate reading even more. Emily, Sophie, Lillie, Rhea, Tom and Ethan will be helping to organise reading clubs and displays, writing book reviews for the newsletter and presenting Bookworm Awards during this year. Happy reading, everyone!



Music Ambassadors

Congratulations to our 2019-20 Music Ambassadors who have been appointed to help promote and celebrate music in school. Kirthana, Hannah, Ivan and

Cerys will be organising musicians to perform at the start of assemblies as well as helping with music displays and presenting certificates in school.



School Sports Captain

Congratulations to Jocelyn who has been selected as School Sports Captain to support Mr Wood, Mrs Clinton with the organising of sporting events and competitions. Jocelyn will also have a role helping to set up our pupil Sports Council.



Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancies

We currently have permanent and casual/relief lunchtime supervisor positions available. If you are interested, please speak to Miss Pelly in the School Office. The hourly rate is £8.93.

Book Fair

Our Autumn book fair will be in school once again on Monday 21st October until Friday 25th October. Please come along to purchase new and exciting books for your children. The book fair will be open after school until 4:00pm and during Parents' Evening. If you would like to purchase a pre-paid gift voucher to spend rather than paying by cash or cheque then they are available at www.travellingbooks.co.uk/parents and you get an extra 20% to spend by doing so. Thank you in advance for supporting our book fair which promotes reading at our school and also earns rewards for us to spend on further books throughout the year. Happy reading all!



E-Safety Advice

With each newsletter over the coming term, we plan to email out an information leaflet on E-safety and related issues which we feel may be useful guidance for parents. This is a really tricky area for parents and one around which many parents have questions. We hope you find the leaflets useful. Please see the e-safety section of the school website for more information.

Twitter

Please follow our school on Twitter. The teachers regularly post photos and news of activities happening in school.



Summer Reading Challenge

Congratulations to all the children who completed the Summer Reading Challenge at Birmingham Libraries. On Tuesday this



week, we held a presentation assembly where the pupils who completed the award were presented with a certificate, medal and £5.00 book token. Thank you to all the families who joined us for this assembly. Children - I hope you enjoy treating yourselves to a book when you next go shopping!



Groundforce Morning

We are planning to hold a Groundforce morning on Saturday 19th October 9.00 - 11.00 a.m. to tidy the grounds and do some winter planting. Please put the date in your diary and come along to help out if at all possible! Please bring tools for cutting back and planting.

Aldi Tokens

We are currently collecting the Aldi reward scheme stickers, issued with purchases of £30.00 or over. Please tell your family and friends. If we can collect enough we can use them to claim free sports equipment for school. There is a box for these stickers in the main school reception area.

Prospective Reception Open Sessions

This year our Open Sessions for parents who are interested in a place for Reception in September 2020 will be held on Tuesday 12th November at 9.15 a.m. and 6.00 p.m.

These sessions will start promptly at the times shown. If you know anyone who may be interested, please invite them to come along.

British Values

Our value for October is **Tolerance**. Please support our work in school by discussing this with your child at home.

Parent Reminder

Parents are reminded that if there is an issue between children, parents must speak to the class teacher who will look into and resolve the issue. Parents must not speak directly to the other child involved.

Eco-Council Up-cycling Competition

Eco-Council is running a competition for the best up-cycling project. Children have until **Friday 8th November** to complete their upcycling idea, if they would like to take part. The idea is to use an item that is no longer required (it could be a box, an old piece of furniture - anything which is no longer required and which otherwise would be thrown away) and change it into something which can be used for another purpose - to give it a new 'lease of life'! Please bring entries into school during the week beginning Monday 4th November. Closing date: **Friday 8th November**. Thank you to Eco-Council for organising this exciting competition!

Parents' Evening

We are looking forward to seeing parents at our Parents' Evenings on Wednesday 23rd October (4.00 - 7.30 p.m.) and Thursday 24th October (3.40 - 6.00 p.m.). Please book your appointment to meet your child's teacher using our online system from Friday, 11th October. We will send a text to let you know when the system is live for booking appointments. If you experience any issues, please phone the School Office.

Junior Snacks

Parents are reminded that Juniors may bring a healthy snack for morning break i.e. a piece of fruit or a cereal bar (no nuts). Crisps and sweets are not permitted.

If you have any queries regarding any of the above, please do not hesitate in contacting me or Mrs Budden.

Yours sincerely

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Mrs A Walklett

Diary Dates 2019-20 Autumn First Half Term

Friday 4 th October		Maths Rock Stars Launch - all dress up as rock stars
Monday 7 th October		Reception to Year 6 flu jabs all day - POSTPONED
Friday 11 th October		Online Parents' Evening booking opens (Text alert when
		live)
Tuesday 15 th October	9.00 a.m.	Harvest Assemblies - Reception parents invited
Wednesday 16 th October		Year 5 residential at Laches Wood (until Friday)
Thursday 17 th October	4.00 p.m.	Full Governing Board meeting
Saturday 19 th October	9.00 - 11.00 a.m.	Groundforce Morning
Monday 21 st October		Nursery Parents' Evening appointments
Wednesday 23 rd October	4.00 - 7.30 p.m.	Parents' Evening
Thursday 24 th October	3.40 - 6.00 p.m.	Parents' Evening
		NOSPA Hallowe'en Discos (Years 2 & 3; Years 4, 5 & 6)
Friday 25 th October		Break up
Monday 4 th November		All pupils return to school
	2.00 p.m.	RA Reading Impact session
Tuesday 5 th November	9.15 a.m.	Year 6 Impact session (6H English set)
	2.00 p.m.	RW Reading Impact session
Wednesday 6 th November	9.15 a.m.	Year 6 Impact session (6G English set)
	2.00 p.m.	RHR Reading Impact session
Thursday 7 th November	9.15 a.m.	Year 6 Impact session (6C English set)