



YWCPS NEWSLETTER



OCTOBER NEWSLETTER NO.2

NURSERY ARE BUILDING A 'MUD KITCHEN' & WOULD BE GRATEFUL FOR ANY DONATIONS OF ANY UNWANTED KITCHEN EQUIPMENT, POTS & PANS.

YEAR 6 REMINDER

YEAR 6 APPLICATIONS FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL NEED TO BE SUBMITTED TO BIRMINGHAM COUNCIL ADMISSIONS BY NOVEMBER 2ND 2015 TO www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions

ATTENDANCE REWARDS

WE WILL NO LONGER BE TAKING THE CHILDREN ON REGULAR CINEMA TRIPS AS A REWARD FOR ATTENDANCE AS WE SIMPLY CAN NO LONGER AFFORD IT. AS ATTENDANCE HAS IMPROVED, SO HAS THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WE TAKE – DESPITE RAISING THE BAR EACH YEAR, FROM 95% IN 2011 TO 98% IN 2015. WE ARE EXPLORING OTHER WAYS TO CELEBRATE GREAT ATTENDANCE – ALTHOUGH THE BIGGEST BENEFITS ARE 'NO GAPS IN OUR LEARNING'.



A HUGE THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR THEIR VERY GENEROUS DONATIONS TO OUR MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING. WE HAD A FANTASTIC TURNOUT AND MANAGED TO RAISE £358.00!

HOLIDAY	DATES CHILDREN FINISH & RETURN
OCTOBER HALF TERM	FRIDAY 23 RD - MONDAY 2 ND NOVEMBER
CHRISTMAS	FRIDAY 18 TH DECEMBER - MONDAY 4 TH JANUARY
FEBRUARY HALF TERM	FRIDAY 12 TH FEBRUARY - MONDAY 22 ND FEBRUARY
EASTER	THURSDAY 24 TH MARCH - MONDAY 11 TH APRIL
SPRING HOLIDAY	FRIDAY 27 TH MAY - MONDAY 6 TH JUNE
SUMMER HOLIDAY	FRIDAY 22 ND JULY

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED LETTER FOR THE ELECTION OF NEW PARENT GOVERNORS. PLEASE RETURN NOMINATIONS TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE.



ON WEDNESDAY 14TH OCTOBER WE WILL BE HOLDING A PERFORMANCE IN SCHOOL OF 'ALICE IN WONDERLAND' AS PART OF OUR WEEK OF FOCUSED WRITING.

CHILDREN ARE ASKED TO COME DRESSED AS A CHARACTER FROM THE STORY ON THIS PARTICULAR DAY.



PLEASE MAKE SURE CHILDREN WEAR APPROPRIATE CLOTHING AS IT BECOMES COLDER. A REMINDER THAT BLACK SHOES ARE PART OF THE SCHOOL UNIFORM.

DATE	YEAR GROUP	DESTINATION	COST
10 NOVEMBER	1	WARWICK CASTLE	£6.50
17 NOVEMBER	5	NATIONAL SPACE CENTRE	£9.73
26 NOVEMBER	6	BLETCHLEY PARK	£6.00



ALL TRIPS MUST BE PAID BEFORE THE DATE OF TRAVEL. PAYMENT PLANS CAN BE SET UP TO HELP SPREAD THE COST OF TRIPS, ESPECIALLY FOR YEARS 5 & 6 WHO HAVE SOME BIG TRIPS THIS YEAR!



If your child is not coming to school due to illness or if they will be late for any reason please contact school on 0121 675 2456 to advise the office first thing on a morning. If your child has sickness or diarrhoea they need to be kept off school for 48 hours after the last bout of illness. If they have a mild illness please give paracetamol and send to school where we will monitor them & call you if necessary.



CAN PARENTS PLEASE TAKE CARE WHEN PARKING THEIR CARS WHEN DROPPING OFF OR PICKING UP CHILDREN - PLEASE DO NOT BLOCK LOCAL BUSINESSES OR DRIVEWAYS.

WE HAVE ALSO HAD SEVERAL INCIDENTS RECENTLY WHERE DRIVERS HAVEN'T PAID ATTENTION TO WHAT'S AROUND THEM WHEN DRIVING AND ALMOST KNOCKED CHILDREN DOWN



YOUNG VOICES CONCERT

THANK YOU TO ALL YEAR 3 & 4 PARENTS WHO HAVE REQUESTED TICKETS FOR THE 'YOUNG VOICES' CONCERT. IT IS STILL POSSIBLE TO BOOK TICKETS FOR PARENTS UNTIL 15TH NOVEMBER, THIS DATE IS ALSO THE FINAL DATE FOR PAYMENT OF TICKETS AND T-SHIRTS IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY PAID.



WELL DONE TO OUR Y2, Y4 & Y6 SWIMMERS. A RECORD BREAKING NUMBER OF 25 METRE SWIMMERS!

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY.

APART FROM A DIP FOR EID, THIS TERM'S ATTENDANCE HAS BEEN GOOD. MISS FORD HAS CONTACTED PARENTS TO FIND OUT REASONS FOR ABSENCE & LATENESS AND PARENTS & CHILDREN ARE RESPONDING WELL.



SPORTS RESULTS:

YEAR 3/4 FOOTBALL A TEAM - 6TH PLACE

YEAR 3/4 FOOTBALL B TEAM - 2ND PLACE.

CHILDREN ALSO WON AN AWARD FOR BEST TEAMWORK.

UPCOMING EVENTS NEXT HALF TERM:

YEAR 3 & 4 - GYMNASTICS

YEAR 5 & 6 - GYMNASTICS

KSI - DANCE



THERE IS STILL TIME TO DONATE TINS AND PACKETS TO ST MARY'S HOSPICE- PLEASE BRING TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

Please see our school sport twitter link @ywcpsport on our website.

