

YWCPS NEWSLETTER



Thank you for a brilliant turn-out to parents' evenings. We were very pleased with the overwhelmingly positive response on your feedback questionnaires. There was a really lovely atmosphere in school and it was great to see children sharing their work and celebrating progress, as well as setting targets to work towards. We are also thankful for the responses which let us know how we can improve. There were a few parents who clearly have not been receiving text alerts from school. Can you please check that your most-up-date mobile numbers are the same as the ones we have. If you have not been receiving group-call texts, please let the office know.

Nursery places.

We currently have a few places available in our Nursery class. If you have or know someone with a child born between 1st September 2012 and 31st August 2013 please call at the office for an application form.

Places will be offered on a first come first serve basis.

From January, any free spaces will start to be offered out to 'rising threes'

School lunches.

We would be grateful if parents can keep their children on either school lunches or packed lunch from home, we currently have some children changing between the two on a daily basis and food is being wasted because of this.

We would also ask that all dinner money is paid to the office in a named envelope before Thursday morning.

YEAR 6 SECONDARY SCHOOL TRANSFER

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING YOUR CHOICE OF SECONDARY SCHOOL WAS OCTOBER 1ST. PLEASE APPLY TO www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY APPLIED.

2016/17 TERM DATES

TEACHER TRAINING DAY FRIDAY 21ST OCTOBER

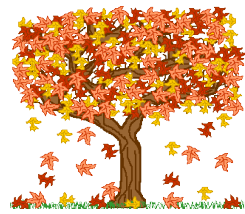
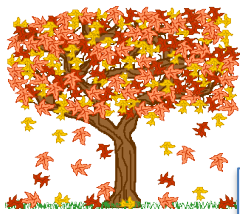
OCTOBER HALF TERM – BREAK UP THURSDAY 20TH OCTOBER – BACK MONDAY 31ST OCTOBER

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY – BREAK UP FRIDAY 16TH DECEMBER – BACK MONDAY 2ND JANUARY

FEBRUARY HALF TERM – BREAK UP FRIDAY 17TH FEBRUARY – MONDAY 27TH FEBRUARY

EASTER HOLIDAY –BREAK UP FRIDAY 7TH APRIL – BACK MONDAY 23RD APRIL

SPRING BANK HOLIDAY – BREAK UP FRIDAY 26TH MAY – BACK MONDAY 5TH JUNE



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YWCPS Raised..... £370.63

AMAZING! Thank you! x

Read Write Inc.

We are all learning at YWCPS. This term we have adopted a new approach to teaching reading. The training has been pretty intense and the children are making rapid progress. Tomorrow's training day is the next step. More information will follow and we will arrange parent workshops so that you can see what we're doing and how we are doing it!

Mornings a busy time for all!

The school run can be a stressful time –especially when running late. Staff are out there, ready to welcome children at 8.45 a.m. every day.

The school gates close at 8.55 am.

If you arrive after that, your child is marked late – you get stressed, the children who are late get stressed and the staff on the door have to deal with a rush of lates. It's getting better, but could be EVEN better!

Less stress = more 😊

Attendance

After being decimated by chicken pox in Rec, Y1 & Y2 last Summer, we are trying really hard to get our attendance figures up. So far some classes are doing much better than others. Whilst we understand that children get ill, we would encourage parents to send children in if the ailment is minor - a headache or a sniffle. Also please do not take children out of school for holidays in term time!

So far this term the attendance is below national expectation of over 95% or more, at 94.2%

Y1 ~ 95.2%

Y2 ~ 93.4%

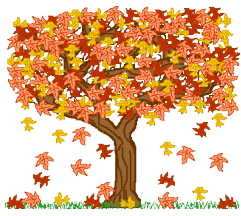
Y3 ~ 93.6%

Y4 ~ 97%

Y5 ~ 96.6%

Y6 ~ 95.2%

Let's push for 96% or more!



HALLOWE'EN DISCO

Monday 31st October

Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Y2 4:15 ~ 5pm (parents stay n play!)

Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 ~ 5:15 ~ 6.15 pm

£1.00 entry - prizes for the best fancy dress!

See posters around school for details.

Goodbye and Good Luck!

After four and a half years of being the first face smiling that we see at school each day Kate Rose is leaving us on November 4th! Kate joined us as agency staff, quickly established herself as first Receptionist and then as Senior Secretary. Kate has been a positive and cheerful member of our team and I know many will miss her.

All the very best for the future Kate!

Harvest Collection

We have been keeping up with global weather changes so

Harvest is later than usual this year!

We are again collecting for St Mary's Hospice, who give respite and palliative care for people with terminal illnesses.

Last year we took 220 tins and packets of food over.

With 355 children on roll now, we'd like to break that record. Could we ask that children bring in a tin or packet of food on the first Monday back after half term. Thank you to those who have brought things in already.

Snowdonia 2017

There will be a meeting at 3.45 pm on Wednesday 2nd November for all Y6 parents. Please come!

TRIPS.

YOUNG VOICES TRIP – PLEASE BRING ALL TICKET, TSHIRT & DVD MONEY TO SCHOOL ON WEDNESDAY 15TH NOVEMBER.

FILM CLUB & YEAR 6 TRIP MONEY OF £2.00 NEEDS TO BE PAID BY WEDNESDAY 15TH NOVEMBER

NURSERY TRIP £17.75 NEEDS TO BE PAID BY FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER

YEAR 4 TRIP £6.00 NEEDS TO BE PAID BY FRIDAY 10TH NOVEMBER