



Dates for your Diary

OCT

- 3rd Y1 to Cannock Chase
- 9th Y3 Reading Workshop 9am
- 17th Y4 to Wolseley Centre
- 17th Y2 to Twycross Zoo
- 22nd Book Fayre
- 23rd Parents' Evening
- 25th Open Morning 9.15
- 25th Y5 Space Sleepover
- 26th Break up half term
- 26th Y5 Space Day

NOV

- 5th Training Day
- 5th Firework Display
- 6th School reopens to pupils
- 9th Y1 Maths Workshop
- 15th Y5 to Space Centre
- 15th Open evening
- 16th Children in Need
- 23rd Y4 Maths Workshop
- 29th Y5 Literacy Workshop

DEC

- 7th YR Santa visit
- 11th KS1 Performance
- 12th KS1 performance
- 13th Theatre visit Y1-6
- 18th Y4 Concert 2pm
- 19th Y3 Concert 9am
- 20th Y5/Y6 Concert 2pm
- 21st Break up Christmas

JAN

- 7th Training Day
- 8th School reopens to pupils

FEB

- 15th Break up half term
- 25th School reopens

All Together Gold Award

We are delighted to tell you we have been awarded the prestigious All Together School GOLD status for 2018 for our work on anti bullying. During the last academic year, we were one of the first schools in Birmingham to take part in the All Together Programme. This involved auditing our anti-bullying practice and creating an anti-bullying action plan tailored to our school. The children in Key Stage 2 then took part in an 'All Together Pupil Wellbeing Questionnaire', which enabled us to find out from the children the levels of wellbeing and bullying amongst pupils. The questionnaires was undertaken at the start and end of the programme to illustrate the impact of the actions that were put in place. This enabled us to monitor progress over the course of the programme. Our anti bullying policy was revised and shared this with parents. Training was carried out for staff and Our Place delivered sessions for parents and pupils. In addition we have delivered anti-bullying and internet safety at the start of every parent workshop. Children in Year 6 were invited to apply to be FAB (friends against bullying). The purpose of this role is to help sort out fall outs between children at lunchtimes. This was in response to some children saying that they would like someone other than an adult to speak to if they had an issue. To become a FAB leader, the children were asked to write a letter to explain why they would be good at the job. This was followed by an interview. The standard was so high, that all 18 applicants were appointed. The children did a fantastic job and we will shortly be organising FAB leaders again this year. Other activities we continue to carry out include anti bullying week, assembles and PHSE lessons celebrating diversity in our school and promoting acts of kindness. The care and well-being of our children is always of utmost importance and we will continue to develop our recognised good practice.

Andi Markham Assembly



On Tuesday, we were very lucky to have assemblies with Andi Markham. Firm favourites, Grandad and Jack, were there to help us understand how to make a good first impression. After hearing some amusing tales, Jack began to understand important lessons about how everyone is able to show their positive attributes. The children learnt that everyone is unique and how important it is to try your best and work as hard as you possibly can. The assembly concluded with an opportunity to reflect on their own special qualities. They were reminded to be the best that they can be and to think about how they will show it.

Closures

- 5th Nov Training Day
- 7th Jan Training Day
- 6th May Bank Holiday
- 22nd July Training Day

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This Week's Headlines

Y1 visit to Cannock Chase—Y1 will be visiting Birches Valley, Cannock Chase on Wednesday 3rd October as part of their Science studies. Children will need to wear warm clothing and footwear suitable for woodland activities. A packed lunch will be provided under the IFSM scheme unless parents have indicated otherwise on the reply slip. Payment for the trip may be made via Parentpay if you have not already done so. Thank you.

Bulb and Plant Appeal— Mrs McBride has asked if parents would be kind enough to donate bulbs or pansies for the school garden. Please send these into school with your child. Many thanks.

Nasal Flu Vaccination—Nasal flu vaccinations for children in Reception to Year 5 will be taking place on 10th October. Please read the information on the leaflet sent out last week and return the slip to school as soon as possible indicating whether or not you would like your child to have the vaccine. Thank you.

Photographs— Some parents have expressed concern that there is slight discolouration on some of the proofs sent out this week. We have been in touch with Academy who told us that this is due to their mistake in not colour correcting the proofs before they were sent out. They have assured us that the final prints will be up to their usual high standard.

Firework Display— On Monday 5th November at 5.30pm we will be jointly hosting a firework display with the Birmingham Hospital Charity. There will be food and entertainment. Details of how to buy tickets will be coming soon so please put the date in your diary.

Training Day—Please note that the next training day will take place on Monday 5th November and school will be closed to pupils.

Menu for Next Week

In addition, there is a salad / fruit bar and a basket of crusty bread available. Please note that the choices may vary slightly due to circumstances beyond our control. Every week we add taster pots and additional items to the menu to encourage children to try different foods.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken Curry Fish crunch Veg curry Pizza Jacket potato *	Chicken pie Chicken fillets Fish fingers Cheesy pasta Jacket potato *	Chicken meat-balls Veggie meat-balls Chicken fillet Fish fingers Jacket potato *	Roast chicken Fish fingers Cheese flan Baguettes / wraps Jacket potato *	Pork sausage Veggie sausage Chicken fillets Lemon sole grill Jacket potato *
Rice New potatoes *	New potatoes Pasta *	Spaghetti Garlic bread *	Roast potatoes Mashed potato *	Pasta Mashed potatoes *
Sweetcorn Peas Baked beans *	Carrots Sweetcorn Baked beans *	Sweetcorn Baked beans *	Carrots Broccoli Baked beans *	Sweetcorn Broccoli Baked beans *
Flapjack Yoghurt Fresh fruit	Iced sponge Yoghurt Fresh fruit	Chocolate hedgehog Yoghurt Fresh fruit	Muffins Yoghurt Fresh fruit	Rice pudding Yoghurt Fresh fruit

Photo Permission Letter

As part of GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation) we are required to have specific permission to use your child's image in school. A letter has been sent out for this purpose, which is all encompassing and will cover your child for their time with us. This means that we will not have to keep asking you for specific permissions. Please ensure this is returned to school as soon as possible. Unfortunately, without this form your child will not be able to be included in any class or group photos. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you to everyone who came to our Coffee Morning today. It was lovely to see so many parents and grandparents in school to support this excellent cause. We will let you know the total amount raised as soon as possible.



Sports Report

Y4 Football—On Wednesday, Mr Viollet took a team of Y4 children to a football tournament at Bishop Vesey. In their first competition as a team, the children showed fantastic sportsmanship and encouragement towards their team mates and others. They played some fantastic football to finish third in their group. We are very proud of their efforts.

Netball— Last night our Y6 girls played a friendly against New Oscott. A great first game to the season, where the girls showed lots of individual skills and potential for the future. They won the game 5-2 and look forward to their game against Mere Green next week which promises to be a tough one.

Football at Hill West— Yesterday Y6 played a match against Hill West. Although they lost the game, Mr Storer was extremely proud of the way the team played, showing excellent teamwork and sportsmanship.

Music Tuition



Letters have now been sent out detailing which instrument your child has been allocated, along with a bill for the first half term's fees.

This year there has been an increased demand for violin lessons, and there are some Year 1 children that we have so far been unable to accommodate. We are trying to obtain more teaching time and hope to be able to offer the remaining children tuition in the near future.

This Week's Awards

This week the following awards were presented in Celebration Assembly:

Lunchtime Behaviour Award— 1JF & 6JM
Classroom Awards— 2AW & 5AS
Winning House— Drake with 616 pts
Attendance— RMF,3SA,4TV & 5AS with 98.67%
Overall Attendance— 97.29%
Annual Attendance Target—97%
Respect Award— 1JF & 5AS

Congratulations to the following children who received awards in Celebration Assembly— Aiden Y1, Cody Y2, Joseph Y3, Luca Y4, Bethany Y5 & Adam Y6.

E-Safety Tip of the Week

Be careful when sharing data with apps. Some social apps will request access to your contacts and data. Would the people in your contacts list be happy if their details were shared with these apps? Would you be happy if someone shared your details with these apps? Consider what data the app really needs access to and why, eg calendars, photo's, music. If there is no need to share this data it might be worth considering other apps that do not rely on data sharing such as this.