

19th November 2021

Attendance

Class	Attendance for the period 08-11-2021 to 12-11-2021 Target 97%	Has the class target been attained this week?
RA	87.67%	Not Attained
RB	90.00%	Not Attained
1A	99.33%	Attained
1S	97.33%	Attained
2K	95.67%	Not Attained
2Y	96.00%	Not Attained
3C	97.42%	Attained
3PF	93.55%	Not Attained
4A	99.35%	Attained
4SR	96.77%	Not Attained
5D	95.24%	Not Attained
5K	92.19%	Not Attained
5P	96.00%	Not Attained
6A	96.19%	Not Attained
6F	95.48%	Not Attained
Overall School	95.21%	Whole school target not attained!

Our attendance target is 97%

Please ensure you send your child to school.

Due to further easing of lockdown measures, sending your child to school is now a legal requirement. You will be fined if you do not send your child to school.

Parents evening phone calls

This year, due to the rising Covid levels, we have opted to have telephone calls for our parents' evening. Parents of children in Reception to Year 2 have been handed a letter with the date and time of their parents' evening phone consultation date and time slot. Children in Year 3 to Year 6 will have brought a letter home with the date and time slots for their parents' evening phone consultation. If you are unavailable on the date and time you have been given, please speak to your child's class teacher for an alternative date and time slot.

The date for Nursery's parents consultations is Friday 26th November. Nursery will be open as normal for all the children. The Nursery Teacher, Miss Aziz, will contact parents by phone on that day. Miss Aziz has informed parents regarding timings for her calls next week. If you have forgotten or not received this information, please contact the Nursery staff.

Reception Class—Admission arrangements for next academic year

If your child was born between 1 September 2017 and 31 August 2018, they will be eligible to start our Reception class in September 2022. This applies to all our current Nursery pupils. However, the Reception admission arrangements mean that if your child is in our Nursery you do not automatically get a place for your child in this school next year for the Reception classes. You will need to apply online for a Reception place at the following site by **15 January 2022**:

<https://eadmissions.birmingham.gov.uk/>

If you require help with filling in your online admission form, we will be holding a final workshop on **Tuesday 23rd November 2021 at 9.00am** in the school's ICT suite. Please come to the school office where a member of the office staff will be able to help you with your online application.

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Year 6 educational visit to Plas Gwynant

Last weekend, a group of our Year 6 pupils visited the Plas Gwynant Residential Centre in north Wales. Children and staff took part in a wide range of outdoor activities including canoeing, trekking and gorge walking. The activities took some individuals out of their comfort zones but everyone rallied together as a team and encouraged one another to complete the challenges set. Everyone had a fantastic time; well done to all the children that took part in the activities! A big thank you also to all the staff who accompanied the children on the visit and helped make it into a truly memorable experience!



Diwali dance workshop

We have organised a dance company to come to school on Monday 22nd November 2021 to run a workshop session for every year group from Reception to Year 6. Part of the session will be a presentation around the story of Diwali and the remaining session will feature a short dance workshop for the children.

We are requesting all pupils to come to school in their PE kits on Monday 22nd November so it will be easier for them to access the workshop.

Dates for your diary 2021-22

Thursday 16th December:

Pupils break up for Christmas Holidays

Friday 17th December:

Staff Training Day

Mon 21st Dec to Mon 3 Jan:

Christmas holidays

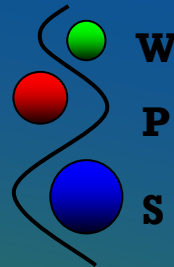
Tuesday 4th January:

Start of Spring term 2022



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Attendance winners

The winners for 100% attendance for October 2021 were:

Azura Koroma in 1A

and Muhamed Lamin Kanyi in 6F

Both children won a £10 Asda gift voucher. Well done!!

Anti-bullying week

Next week is anti-bullying week and the children will be carrying out a range of activities to raise awareness of the issue. The theme this year is 'One kind word' and the week will start off with 'Odd Socks Day'. Staff and pupils are encouraged to wear odd socks on Monday 22nd November to support the anti-bullying theme.



Lost Property

There are a lot of uniform items that have been handed into the school office. If your child has lost an item of school uniform, please come to the office conservatory and check the lost property box. We will keep the items until the end of December and whatever is left we will dispose of. We would encourage you to label your child's clothing so it can be identified if lost.



Children in Need

This year for Children in Need, we asked the children to come to school dressed in their pyjamas or something spotty. Everyone had a lot of fun dressing up (especially the teachers!!). We also held a colouring competition and the best entries from each year group won a prize.



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Christmas Dinner

The children will be having their Christmas dinner on Wednesday 8th December 2021. If you would like your child to have a school dinner (if they are in Year 3 and above and they are not eligible for free school meals), please pay the office £2.40 by the Tuesday 7th December. Money must be placed in an envelope, with the child's name and class written on. The menu is shown below:

Halal roast turkey

Halal tandoori chicken drumstick

Vegetable spring roll/samosa

Baked fish fillet

Stuffing balls, Yorkshire pudding, roast and creamed potatoes, carrots, broccoli, sweetcorn, honey glazed parsnips, brussel sprouts and gravy

Ice Cream sponge roll

Chocolate yule log

Vanilla cheesecake

Xmas chocolate cracknel puddings



Security Gates

You may have noticed that the front gates for vehicles on the Stamford Road entrance have been repaired and we have a new gate for the pedestrian path. From now on, if you need to access the school, you must use the intercom on the pathway to speak to the office first in order to gain entry to the school. Once you have spoken to a member of staff and they have verified your identity, please push the gates and you can continue down the path. On exiting the school through the pedestrian gates, please push the green button on the railings on the left side of the gate.

Driving on Stamford Road

Please take care when driving along Stamford Road. We have had reports from members of the public and parents regarding various cars driving at high speeds on the road. As it gets dark much quicker now, please be careful when driving along this road as children may be nearby or crossing the road. We have had a request from a parent about petitioning the council for speed bumps on this road. If you are interested in this idea, please let us know and we will approach the council regarding necessary actions that we can undertake to put this idea into motion.