

8th September 2023

Welcome back!

We would like to wish a big welcome back to school to all our pupils! We hope you all had a wonderful summer and enjoyed the time with your families. Please note the school timings for our KS1 and KS2 children. The first bell will ring at 8.35am; this is the time children should start to line up in their classes ready to come into school. Staff will bring the children into school at 8.40am. The school gates on Westminster Road will close at 8.50am and access will only be available via Stamford Road after this time. The school day will finish at 3.30pm.

Please ensure you arrive on time to collect your children; if you are running late then please telephone the school office to notify us of any delays.

We would also like to take this opportunity to welcome some new staff to Westminster: Miss Begum in Nursery, Miss Benjamin-Robinson in Reception, Miss Hashid in Year 1, Miss T Patel in Year 2, Miss Khan in Year 3, Miss Mahmood in Year 5 and Mrs P Patel.



Dinner Money

If you pay for your child's dinners, please can you hand in the correct money in a sealed envelope with the name of your child and their class on the envelope. The total amount for 5 days is £13.00, £2.60 per day. This should be paid on a **Monday** morning.



Secondary School Applications

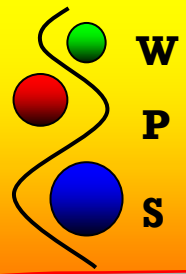
If your child is in Year 6, you will need to make sure you make an application for a secondary school place by 31st October 2023. You can do this by going online at:

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

If you would like any support in accessing and using the online application service, please come and see a member of the school office staff.

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Welcome Meetings

We are looking forward to welcoming parents in years 1 to year 6 into school next week for our annual welcome meetings. We will be sharing information regarding your child's homework, PE lessons and attendance at the meeting.

Coffee Morning / Parent information

Our School Parent Advisor, Mrs Khan, has organised a coffee morning for parents. This will take place at 9.00am on **Friday 15th September** in the community room. All are welcome to attend. We have secured a guest speaker from Lime Tree Children's Centre to speak to parents about adult courses.



On Monday 18th September, you will be able to access free housing advice from Shelter. If you wish to take advantage of this service, please speak to Mrs Khan in the school office who will book a session with them for you.

Lunchtime supervisor vacancies

We currently have vacancies for lunchtime supervisors. If you are interested in applying, please email the school office for an application pack. The school email is enquiry@westmnst.bham.sch.uk or you can go to the school website and download a pack under the 'Vacancies' tab.

Closing date: Thursday 21st September (midday)



Clubs

We are hoping to resume clubs from Monday 18th September. Your child will have brought home a letter today, please ensure it is returned by Wednesday 13th September. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Dates for your diary: 2023-24

Fri 27th Oct:	Staff training day– school closed to pupils
Mon 30th Oct– Fri 3rd Nov:	Autumn Half term holiday
Mon 6th Nov:	Return to school
Fri 22nd Dec:	Break up for Christmas holidays
Mon 25th Dec—Fri 5th Jan:	Christmas holidays
Mon 8th Jan:	Start of Spring term 2024