



Note from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome back to our new school year. It is so wonderful to see so many children back after such a long time away. We have missed you all so much. Thank you to all those families following all our new systems and making the start to the new term a calm and safe one. Due to all of the new arrangements we have put in place because of Covid 19, some elements of school life will be a little bit different for a while, so thank you for your patience with that. We will keep you informed regarding any changes coming up so that you are aware of them in good time.

We have had a calm and settled start to our new academic year, with the children and staff keen to get started on their learning.

Don't forget to take a look at the diary on the back of this letter; it includes all the important dates and information for this term so far.

Mr Whitehouse
Head Teacher

Theme of the week

We all have friends and enjoy spending time with them. We choose our friends because they have good qualities that we like such as honesty, faithfulness and kindness

Our theme is Friendship.

Attendance News

The children have lost so much of their education over the last few months, so it is very important that they are here every day. The staff have worked hard to plan exciting activities to help the children get back to where they need to be quickly, so your support is vital by ensuring pupils have very high attendance.

Please be aware that attendance to school is also now statutory. We are now fully open, with small changes to help keep children and adults safe, so please use normal attendance procedures, including ringing the school office on each day your child is absent unless otherwise advised.

If your child is away too much, a member of the senior leadership team will be in touch to help improve attendance. We thank you once again for your help and support with helping pupils reaching their potential.

We would like to thank all our parents who make sure their child is in school every day and on time.

Star Pupil

Year Group	Star Pupil
Reception	<i>All of Reception</i>
Year One	<i>All of Year One</i>
Year Two	<i>All of Year Two</i>
Year Three	<i>All of Year Three</i>
Year Four	<i>All of Year Four</i>
Year Five	<i>All of Year Five</i>
Year Six	<i>All of Year Six</i>



Other News

School Dinners

From Monday 14th September, we will be back to hot dinners served in the classroom in your child's bubble.

If you would like to go back to hot school dinners, please let the school office know by Friday 11th September.

Dates for your diary

Monday 28th September – Attendance Week
Tuesday 20th October – Flu Immunisations for Rec to Y6
Friday 23rd October – Break-up for half-term
Monday 2nd November – Teacher Training Day - School closed
Tuesday 3rd November – Children return to school

Reminders

School Meals

Nursery £2.05 per day = £6.15 per week.

Primary £2.35 per day = £9.40 per week (4 days)

House Points

Faith

100

Hope

100

Charity

100

Patience

100



Other News

Coronavirus

We are in the process of strengthening our remote learning procedures so that if there is a school closure in the future, we can continue the children's outstanding education and communicate with parents and pupils in a variety of ways. To do this it is important that you let us know your email address and whether you can access the internet at home. Please ensure that you have returned the slip that we sent out earlier in the week by Friday. If you require another letter or have a question, please contact the school office.

May we take the opportunity to remind you what to do if your child develops Covid 19 symptoms at home. If your child develops **any** of these symptoms, you **must not** send them to school:

- A high temperature
- A new continuous cough
- A loss of or change to their sense of smell or taste

Please follow these actions as soon as possible:

- Contact the school office and inform us of the absence and explain the symptoms your child has.
- You will be advised to get a test. We will provide you with the information with how to do this.
- When you get the test result, you must tell us the outcome as soon as possible. If the test result is negative, your child does not have Covid 19 and will be able to return to school when they are better. If the test result is positive, we will inform you of the next steps to take.
- If you choose not to get a test, your child will need to be required to self-isolate for at least 10 days, meaning your child will not be allowed onto the school site and will have to stay at home.

Leave in Term Time

Now we are back it is really important that pupils are in school every day. Holidays or a trip abroad for pupils in school time will not be authorised, and will require a meeting with the Head Teacher. If you are returning from a country that currently requires a quarantine, please do not send your child to school for 14 days after your return. We will write to you so that you are aware of a return date for your child. All information will be true at the time of writing, please phone the school office for any updates.

Secondary School online applications

The deadline for Y6 to complete the online application form is fast approaching. Please make sure you complete the online form correctly and on time. For further information, please visit the website below or pop into the school office if you have any queries. Applications need to be completed by **31st October 2020**. www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions