

*Warriors of learning and challenge***ANDERTON PARK NEWSLETTER****Issue No. 38****0121 464 1581****10th July 2019****www.andertonparkschool.org.uk, Twitter: @AndertonPark****Early finish on the last day of term - Friday 19th July**

On the last day of term we will be finishing school at 12.15pm! The governors have very kindly said that we can finish early on this last day as a thank you to everyone for all your hard work & dedication this term. Let us know if this is difficult for you and we will make arrangements. Thank you governors for this lovely gesture!

September 2019 - new academic year

Children will start back at school on Wednesday 4th September 2019. There are INSET days taking place on Monday 2nd & Tuesday 3rd September.

Families & Relationships Workshops - THANK YOU

A HUGE thank you to the incredible parents who have attended the workshops with Mrs Bi & Miss Christie. Your concerns matter to us and we will work on continuing to address them.

There are some parents who have come to two or three of the meetings, done their own research, have emailed the DfE themselves and are now very happy and clear about what is what.

The discussions have been excellent and as a result of parents sharing their views, we are working hard to plan meetings in September where we will start to write our new policy. We would love to meet with you then too. Thank you again fantastic families!

Equality & protests

I know some parents are worried that our school's good name has been tainted by recent events. I can assure you the opposite is true - we have been so widely praised for the things we do, even winning an award last week from the British Psychological Society. We are regularly described as heroes of equality and that is down to you all. People worldwide are talking about Anderton Park as a superb school with amazing families who defend all equalities. We have letters, cards & flowers from all over the world. Please read some that are on display on the board outside the Saffiyah Khan Suite.

Noise problems on a Friday

We have had phone calls from parents & residents asking us who they should complain to regarding the excessive noise on Friday afternoons from the Adria Road grassy area. If you wish to complain you can -

- Call the police on 101 and/or
- Register a complaint with Birmingham City Council, via their website. This would be via the Noise Nuisance Complaint section. It is quite easy to do. You just put your postcode in and answer a series of questions. You can also upload any videos or recording you have.

Reports

Children's end of year reports will go out next week.

NartheX Youth Club - summer activities

NartheX is a local charity that runs activities for children and young people. They will be running a range of activities throughout the summer -

- 27th July - Red Wings Horse Sanctuary
- 3rd August - Trip to the Wrekin
- 7th August - Craft Workshop
- 10th August - Crazy Golf
- 14th August - Games and Challenges
- 17th August - Indoor Climbing
- 21st August - Craft Workshop
- 28th August - Games Morning

If you would like to find out more or book for your children to attend, call Beks on 07725278635 or email at rebekah@nartheX.org.uk.

Year 2's trip last week

Sandy beaches & donkey rides - what an amazing way to spend the day. A great day was had by all - see Twitter for photos. No traffic jams and everything went smoothly. Brilliant!

Summer Fayre - tomorrow!

It's the summer fayre tomorrow and we are so excited! It will be a non-school uniform day tomorrow and in exchange we would like you to bring in a cake or cakes. These can be homemade or bought from a shop. The fayre itself will be from 3.30 - 4.45pm tomorrow in the Small & Large playgrounds. There will be loads on offer to do & buy so come and have a look round.

Thank you to everyone for all the contributions & donations so far.

Year 6 Leavers' Assembly - Wednesday 17th July

Y6 classes will perform their leavers' assembly at 9.30am on Wednesday next week, in the Large Hall. We had said to some parents this would be Thursday but it will now be Wednesday. Parents we would love to see loads of you there for their performance. Thank you for your understanding regarding the slight change.

We will be so sad to see all the Y6 children leave but so proud of all their accomplishments!

Year 6 End of Year party

Y6's end of year party will take place after school on Thursday 18th July. More details will be on next week's newsletter. Speak to your child's class teacher for more information.

Reception Graduation Ceremony

Reception's graduation ceremony will take place on Tuesday 16th July at 9.00am. Reception parents please come along, it'll be a lovely opportunity to celebrate all the amazing things the children have done.

Puberty talks

This week we had puberty talks for Y5 & Y6 children. These went so well with children asking thoughtful & mature questions. Out of the 224 children in Years 5 & 6, only 1 child's parents requested they didn't take part. Thank you so much to children and parents for your help.

Meeting for new Y1 parents - Fri 12th July

On Friday this week there will be a meeting for new Y1 parents at 9.00am in the Small Hall. We look forward to seeing lots of you there.

'Oh I do like to be beside the seaside' lunch - tomorrow

Tomorrow is the day of the special seaside inspired lunch! Fish & chips or kebab & chips for those of you who were quick enough to get one of the 50 spaces. What a treat!

Unity Streets Annual Street Party

The local charity Unity Streets is holding their annual street party on Sunday 28th July, from 12.30 - 6.00pm on Eastwood Road in Balsall Heath (B12 9NA). There will be face painting, food, bouncy castle & lots more fun things. It is free to attend and everyone is welcome.

Year 5 London trip

Today the Y5 children are visiting the Houses of Parliament - an essential & special visit to the centre of democracy for our country. They are visiting Tate Britain as well. What an amazing opportunity!

Celebration assemblies

Assemblies for Y1 - 6 take place on Wednesdays at 1.45pm. Y5 & 6 - Large Hall, Y1 & 2 - Sports Hall, Y3 & 4 - Small Hall. Nursery and Reception's assembly will be at 11.00am on Friday 12th July, in the Sports Hall.

Quotes from staff

We asked staff for their favourite quotes so each week we will give you one of them. This week we have...Miss Edwards, whose favourite quote is "Let your smile change the world but don't let the world change your smile".

Growth Mindset Quote of the Week

"Whenever an individual or business decides that success has been attained, progress stops" - Thomas J. Watson