



10th January 2020

Message from the Head Teacher

Hi all

Happy new year!!!

We are so pleased to be back. Your children have come in well-rested and ready for the year ahead. The atmosphere in school is very calm and behaviour has been excellent. What a fantastic start to the year!

We are having a coffee morning this Wednesday. Our Chair of Governors, Mrs Cosgrove, will be in school as well as our Executive Leader - Ms Sumner. Please pop in for a chat if you are free.

As you will have noticed, dismissal procedures have been changed. KS2 classes are now to be collected from the main playground. KS1 from St Michael's Hill playground. Gates will be opened on St Michael's Hill and Piers Road only at 3.15pm. Please could you collect your children from these points. Can we ask that you come down to the playground rather than summoning them from the walkway above. I have asked all staff members not to send your child to you. The main gate to the very busy road is open and we need to safeguard against children going out of that gate by themselves. I understand that this is a short distance, however, our priority is to keep your children safe. Please support us with this and walk those few extra steps to collect your children.

Can I remind all parents that trainers are not part of the school uniform. Children should be wearing black, sensible school shoes or boots please.

"For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. Truth: God continually makes us new. Every moment of every day brings a fresh beginning."
2 Corinthians.

Have a blessed week.

Our attendance target is 96%.

The attendance figures for week ending Friday 20 December 2019:

Reception 87.3%

Y1 88.9%

Y2 89.3%

Y3 93.0%

Y4 89.9%

Y5 94.2%

Y6 90.0%

Our first meeting this term is about food banks.

The number of people using food banks since 2010 has gone from the ten of thousands to millions. Food banks heavily rely on the support of the local community to help end hunger.

We discussed how we can help our local food bank and what food banks need the most. We decided on tin food, pasta, pasta sauce, biscuits, rice, soup and cereals. Please donate 1 of these items so we can hand them to the Birmingham City Mission, a charitable organisation.

Thanking you in advance, from School Council

Celebration book

Year 1 - Emmanuel

Year 2 - Ava-Bryan

Year 3 - Salwa

Year 4 - Shareen

Year 5 - Fatima

Year 6 - Ahmed

Important dates for your Diary

Dates	Event
Monday 13th January 2020	Y3 Swimming
Monday 13th January 2020	Debate Mate
Wednesday 15th January 2020	Coffee morning - 9am
Friday 17th January 2020	Y5 swimming

Parents are welcome to attend the
Celebration Assembly on
Friday 17th January at 9:00 am.

Reminders

School Term dates

AUTUMN TERM 2019

Term Starts: Thursday 5 September 2019

School closed: Monday 28 October 2019 to Friday 1 November 2019

Term starts: Monday 4 November 2019

School closed - Election day

School closed: Monday 23 December 2019 to Friday 3 January 2020

SPRING TERM 2020

Term Starts: Monday 6 January 2020.

School closed: Monday 17 February 2020 to Friday 21 February 2020

Term starts: Monday 24 February 2020

School closed: Monday 6 April 2020 to Friday 17 April 2020

SUMMER TERM 2020

Term Starts: Monday 20 April 2020

School closed: Friday 8 May (May day bank holiday)

School closed: Monday 25 May 2020 to Friday 29 May 2020

Term starts: Monday 1 June 2020

School closes on Monday 20 July 2020

Attendance

Holidays during term time

cannot be authorised and you may find that you will be subject to a fine from the local authority if you do so. If your child is away for any reason you will need to contact the school office by **8.45am** on the first morning of absence.

DINNER MONEY

Please ensure your child's dinner money is in a sealed envelope with their name, class and amount and handed to their class Teacher.

School dinners - Please ensure this is paid in full on a Monday morning. Children cannot change from dinners to sandwiches or vice-versa. **Please let us know at the start of each half-term if you wish to change.**