



# Newsletter 14

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**INSPIRE** our children to succeed

**CREATE** excitement for learning

**ACHIEVE EXCELLENCE**

## DATES TO REMEMBER NOVEMBER - DECEMBER

Date	Time	Event	Year Group
<b>THURSDAY 12 DEC</b>	<b>ALL DAY</b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED FOR GENERAL ELECTIONS</b>	
<b>FRIDAY 13 DEC</b>	<b>12.45pm - 1.30pm</b>	<b>Christmas Dinners</b>	<b>EVFS</b>
<b>MONDAY 16 DEC</b>	<b>9.00am - 10.00am</b>	<b>Y1 Xmas carol performance</b>	<b>Year 1</b>
<b>MON 16 &amp; TUE 17 DEC</b>	<b>2.00pm - 3.00pm</b>	<b>Reception Nativity</b>	<b>Reception</b>
<b>MONDAY 16 DEC</b>	<b>All day</b>	<b>Peter Pan Performance at The Rep</b>	<b>Year 3</b>
<b>TUESDAY 17 DEC</b>	<b>9.00am - 10.30am</b>	<b>HT awards</b>	<b>Whole school</b>
<b>TUESDAY 17 DEC</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>Christmas Parties</b>	<b>Whole school</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY 18 DEC</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>Cinema attendance trip</b>	<b>100% attendance N-Y6</b>
<b>THURSDAY 19 DEC</b>	<b>All day</b>	<b>Christmas Jumper day</b>	<b>Whole school</b>
<b>THURSDAY 19 DEC</b>	<b>9.00am - 10.30am</b>	<b>Star of the term</b>	<b>Reception - Year 6</b>
<b>FRIDAY 20 DEC</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>Church visit</b>	<b>Whole school</b>

## Friday 20 December

A reminder to parents that on Friday 20 December we will be finishing at 12.05pm. Please arrive at this time to collect your child.

Thank you.



Wow what an evening at the yr 5/6 basketball competition. Our brilliant team won 5 out of 5 to go through to the finals day. Beating Percy Shurmer, the oaks, at Martin's, Hollywood & Yardley Wood. @BCSGO



## KINDNESS CALENDAR: DECEMBER 2019



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Encourage kindness. Share the Kindness Calendar with others	2 Support a charity, cause or campaign you really care about	3 Give kind comments to as many people as possible today	4 Listen wholeheartedly to others without judging them	5 Leave a positive message for someone else to find	6 Notice when you're hard on yourself or others and be kind instead	7 Make gifts to give to people who are homeless or feeling lonely
8 Do something helpful for a friend or family member	9 Be generous. Feed someone with food, love or kindness today	10 Count your blessings: list the kind things others have done for you	11 Give someone your place in a queue (in traffic or in a shop)	12 See how many different people you can smile at today	13 Buy some extra items and donate them to a local food bank	14 Share a happy memory or inspiring thought with a loved one
15 Visit an elderly neighbour and brighten up their day	16 Look for something positive to say to everyone you meet today	17 Thank people who do things for you but you may take for granted	18 Offer to help someone who is facing difficulties at the moment	19 Give away something that you have been holding on to	20 Congratulate someone for an achievement that may go unnoticed	21 Shop locally and support independent producers
22 Invite over someone who would otherwise be alone	23 Choose to give or receive the gift of forgiveness	24 Offer spontaneous hugs to your loved ones and friends	25 Treat everyone with kindness today, including yourself	26 Encourage others to join you outside and enjoy time in nature	27 Call a relative who is far away to say hello and have a chat	28 Be kind to the planet. Eat less meat and use less energy
29 Turn off digital devices and really listen to people	30 Let someone know how much you appreciated their gift	31 Plan what extra acts of kindness you will do in 2020...	"Do your little bit of good where you are; those little bits together overwhelm the world" - Desmond Tutu			

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

#DoGoodDecember

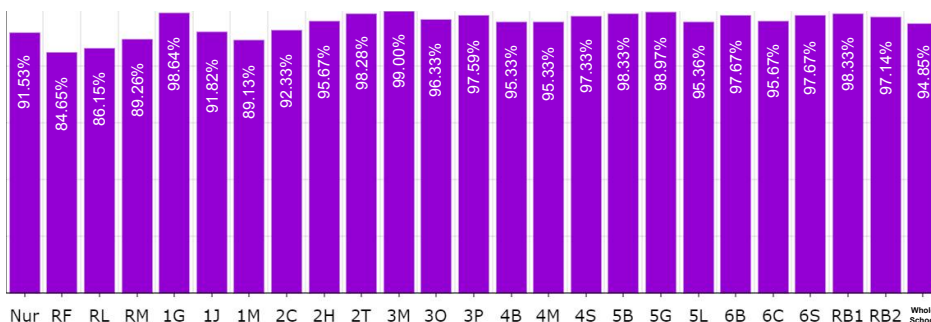
www.actionforhappiness.org

Your happiness is part of something bigger Join the movement for a happier and kinder world

## ATTENDANCE

**CHILDREN NEED TO BE IN SCHOOL AT 8.45AM LESSONS START AT 8.50AM. LATE MARKS WILL BE GIVEN TO CHILDREN WHO ARRIVE AFTER 8.50AM GATES CLOSE AT 9.00AM, AFTER THIS CHILDREN MUST ENTER THROUGH THE MAIN OFFICE**

### Attendance W.C 2 December 2019



## TERM DATES

BREAK UP	RETURN TO SCHOOL
<b>2020</b>	
FRIDAY 20 DECEMBER	TUESDAY 7 JANUARY
FRIDAY 14 FEBRUARY	MONDAY 24 FEBRUARY
FRIDAY 3 APRIL	MONDAY 20 APRIL
FRIDAY 22 MAY	MONDAY 1 JUNE
FRIDAY 17 JULY	TBC
<b>PLEASE NOTE:</b>	
THURSDAY 7 MAY 2020 SCHOOL CLOSED	LOCAL ELECTIONS
FRIDAY 8 MAY 2020 SCHOOL CLOSED	BANK HOLIDAY 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF VE DAY

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# STARS OF THE WEEK

Class	Name	Reason	Mathematician of the Week
RF	<b>Emmanuel W</b>	Emmanuel has been working exceptionally hard all week learning his lines and songs ready to dazzle everyone during our Nativity Performance.	<b>Charlie B</b>
RL	<b>Isaac M</b>	Isaac has took centre stage during our nativity, wowing us with his singing and epic dancing! We are so excited to see you perform next week!	<b>Lujeen A</b>
RM	<b>Patrick M</b>	Patrick has been a superstar this week! He has demonstrated excellent listening and has tried exceptionally hard during phonics lessons. Keep up the good work!	<b>Rosie-May B</b>
1J	<b>Maryam Q</b>	This week we have been writing in our blue books. Maryam worked really hard to include lots of facts about Lions and used all her phonics knowledge in her writing.	<b>Ayaana H</b>
1M	<b>Rumaisa F</b>	Rumaisa is a real star in 1M as she is always trying her best in every lesson. She is always setting a good example to other children in the class by listening really well. Well done Rumaisa!	<b>Aisha M</b>
1G	<b>Darcie M</b>	Darice has really wowed me this week! Every single week she works so hard in writing and has made so much progress since starting Year 1. You are a total super star Darcie - keep it up!	<b>Toby P</b>
2T	<b>Adil H</b>	I have chosen Adil for Star of the Week because he has been working really hard to improve his attendance by coming to school everyday and has had 100% attendance for the past 2 weeks! Well done, Adil !	<b>Kaydon S</b>
2H	<b>Malika H</b>	Malika has been a star this week! She is an absolute pleasure to have in my class. Malika tries extremely hard in everything that she does. She is polite, helpful and a positive role model to all. Also, Malika has been amazing in art this week. She has really concentrated on her sketching and her self portrait was fantastic because of this. Keep it up, Malika! I am so proud of you!	<b>Bailee E</b>
2C	<b>Muhammed M A</b>	Maysam is a real star in Year 2: he works hard, has a positive attitude and never gives up. This week he has tried hard in every lesson but really shone during our Art lesson where he carefully created a fantastic self portrait. Well done, Maysam!	<b>Eiliyah B</b>
3P	<b>Tayiba C</b>	Tayiba is a ray of sunshine for everyone in 3P. She is a hard worker and has an inquisitive mind that was simply made for science! Thank you for being such a kind member of our classroom.	<b>Isla B</b>
3O	<b>Zeina E</b>	Zeina is really impressing me at the moment with her 'can do' attitude. She is determined to succeed and isn't letting ANYTHING get in her way!	<b>Haleemah J</b>
3M	<b>Leo P</b>	Leo has been making a huge effort this week and has had several mature conversations with adults about how to behave. He has settled well into 3M and we are all very glad to have him as part of our class!	<b>Jacob N S</b>
4S	<b>Shahd A</b>	Shahd is a wonderful member of our class in every way! She tries her best in all subjects and is constantly questioning in order to gain a deeper understanding, She is definitely an active learner and will no doubt be successful in whatever she puts her mind to!	<b>Aqsa B</b>
4B	<b>Lucas W</b>	Lucas is the best teaching assistant I have ever worked with! All of the children in 4B know Lucas as Mr Walker because he is so helpful and is the best at completing any jobs I need doing! I love having you in 4B, Mr Walker!	<b>Husain Q</b>
4M	<b>Hadey J</b>	Hadey is a very hard worker and always applies 100% effort in all lessons. He is kind and polite, and I am so happy that he is in 4M.	<b>Arvin M</b>
5G	<b>Reagan H</b>	We've been on two big trips recently (BrigHouse and Liverpool) and Reagan has really impressed me with his manners, maturity and great sense of humour! Thank you and keep it up (but try not to take my wellies next time!).	<b>Shahmeer S</b>
5L	<b>Lacey-Leigh W</b>	What a star you were Lacey when Year 5 visited Liverpool. Even though we walked such a long distance, you were excited and keen to learn all about the city throughout the day. It was so lovely to see your fabulous smile all day.	<b>Daniel L</b>
5B	<b>Ollie A</b>	What a lovely pleasure it is having Ollie in 5B! He is such a ray of sunshine, who is so enthusiastic about all aspects of school life! Please keep up this positive behaviour and wonderful attitude Ollie, as it is fabulous to see!	<b>Savannah C</b>
6C	<b>Seema B</b>	Seema has impressed us when writing a political speech this week. She has really considered her audience and purpose and this has really paid off. Well done Seema - I'd vote for you!	<b>Meerab S H M</b>
6B	<b>Kaycee A</b>	Kaycee works really hard in all of her lessons and has produced some brilliant writing in her blue book this week. She has a fantastic smile and a great sense of humour and I really enjoy teaching her. Well done, Kaycee!	<b>Tayyib J</b>
6S	<b>Kobie G</b>	Kobie has been an absolute star both this week and last week. He has been off school for a few months because of an injury and since his return, Kobie has embraced the school week with such positivity. I have not heard him complain once which shows how much resilience he has. He has tackled practice SATs papers with positivity and determination. Well done Kobie for being a superstar!	<b>Aaminah Z</b>
RB	<b>Stanley U</b>	Stanley is working really hard to stay calm and manage his own behaviour. We are really proud of you and your effort! Keep it up!	<b>Thomas B</b>

# Reading at Billesley

The buzz for reading at Billesley has never been stronger! In every lesson, in every classroom, reading is at the heart of what we do! Our children are starting to think more and more about their own personal response to the books they read - we are encouraging children to question what they are reading, make predictions and create a picture in their minds as they read! This approach to reading is really helping children deepen their understanding of what is being read by stepping into the character's shoes!

Not only is reading continue to flourish in classrooms, children have been working exceptionally hard to record in their reading diaries! As a result, Home Reading is greater than it's ever been... and that's down to YOU too! Keep encouraging your children to read more and more home: if a child reads for 20 minutes a night, they will encounter over a million words per year! Please ensure that your child is bringing their reading diary to school every day! If your child has lost their diary, they are 50p from the front office!

We also have a new challenge for the pupils in preparation for Book Week: children have been asked to bring in a book they no longer read for the 'Big Billesley Book Swap!' The children will be looking at books from other classes so they can choose one to take home to read! We can't wait!

We look forward to updating you again on all things reading! Again, thank you for inspiring your children to read more at home!

-Mr Tyler



## CLUBS

Day	Time	Clubs	Year Group
Monday	3.20 - 4.30pm	Coding	6
Monday	3.20 - 4.30pm	Drama	5 & 6
Tuesday	3.20 - 4.30pm	Ballet	1 & 2
Tuesday	3.20 - 4.30pm	Change 4 Life	2,3,4 & 5
Tuesday	3.20 - 4.30pm	Billesley Radio	4,5 & 6
Wednesday	3.20 - 4.30pm	Tennis	2,3 & 4
Wednesday	3.20 - 4.30pm	Multi Sports	1 & 2
Wednesday	3.20 - 4.30pm	Football	5 & 6
Wednesday	3.20 - 4.00pm	Ukulele	4,5 & 6
Wednesday	1.30 - 3.00pm	Guitar	1 & 2
Thursday	3.20 - 4.30pm	Basketball	2,3 & 4
Thursday	3.20 - 4.30pm	Football	3 & 4
Thursday	3.20 - 4.30pm	Badminton	3,4,5 & 6
Thursday	3.20 - 4.30pm	Girls Football	3,4,5 & 6
Thursday	3.20 - 4.30pm	Lifestyle	3
Friday	3.20 - 4.30pm	Gymnastics	2,3 & 4
Friday	10.00 - 3.00pm	Guitar	3-6

## SCHOOL LIBRARY

*AFTER SCHOOL OPENING TIMES*

MON-THURS  
3.20 - 3.40PM  
FRIDAY  
3.20 - 3.50PM

## PLAYCARE, BREAKFAST CLUB & SCHOOL MEALS

Please ensure you make payment in  
**ADVANCE**. Please clear any balances  
outstanding using Parentpay.

*Thank you*



## Are you being a Billesley Bug Club reader?

Certificates are now being handed out to children in Billesley that are reading on a weekly basis and answering questions to earn coins!

Please encourage your children to access Bug Club online, to promote a love of reading. If you are unsure what Bug Club is please click here for more information

## RECEPTION CLASS SEPTEMBER 2020

Parents/Carers who have a child who was born between 1 September 2015 and 31 August 2016 need to make an application for their child to start Reception Class in September 2020 by no later than 15 January 2020. The quickest and easiest way to make an application is online at [www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions) or by contacting 0121 303 1888. Please note applications should be sent directly to the Admissions Office and NOT to school.

## CHILDREN SHOULD HAVE THEIR PE KIT IN SCHOOL EVERY DAY:

Black shorts  
White t-shirt (with or without the school badge)  
Black plimsolls for inside games.  
Black trainers for outside games.  
Tracksuits or sweatshirts may be worn  
outside in cold weather.  
*ALL KIT SHOULD BE CLEARLY LABELLED*

## WE NEED YOUR WELLIES!

If you have any children's wellies you no longer need and you would like to donate them to Nursery they would be very much appreciated!  
**(We use them in the Nursery garden!)**

Can you please make sure school has up to date addresses, phone numbers and contact details for your child. If you are unsure please come into the Reception Office where we will be happy to check for you.  
It is essential the school has up to date information.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please remember the safety of all children when parking outside school. **DO NOT** park on the zig zags by the crossing.  
**DO NOT** park on yellow lines.  
Please also consider our neighbours and **DO NOT** block driveways. *Thank you.*

## REMINDER

Any children not collected by 3.30pm will be taken to After School Club. You will be charged £4 for child care. *Thank you.*

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 Email: [Info@strike9training.co.uk](mailto:Info@strike9training.co.uk)  
 Mobile: 07437 870408



### GIRLS FOOTBALL

Join our growing team led by FA qualified coaches.

Have fun, make friends, play games & grow confidence whilst keeping fit.

All ages and ability levels welcome.

Team Fixtures Saturdays 10.30am kick off CWGFL

#### Age 5 - 11 Recreation

SSE Wildcats provide girls with regular opportunities to play football in a fun and engaging environment

Contact us for times & dates

#### Age 8 to 11

team training U9s & U11s

Building teams this season for U8s

Tuesdays 5pm-6pm

#### Age 11 to 15

Team training U15s

Building teams for next season U13s

Tuesdays 5pm-7pm

All sessions held at: Moseley School, Springfield Road, B13 9NP



Come and have some fun at Brownies!!

**Brownies**



Join today, and let the fun begin!!

Fun games, craft and much, much more!!



Monday's 6pm to 7:30pm  
 Hall Green Baptist Church

Contact Brown Owl  
 07847480809  
 260brownies@gmail.com

Girls only 'cause we rule!!'

Boys and Girls do you want something interesting to do? Something fun?

Rainbows, Brownies and Guides for Girls:  
<https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/>  
 Places available locally. See Mrs Miller for a leaflet!

Beavers and Scouts for Boys and Girls:  
<https://www.billesleyscouts.org.uk/>  
 Tuesdays at HolyCross Church. See Mrs Miller for more information.