

# Newsletter 10 20 NOVEMBER 2020

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**INSPIRE** our children to succeed



**CREATE** excitement for learning



### **ACHIEVE EXCELLENCE**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY		
MONDAY 23 NOVEMBER	3M ASSEMBLY	
MONDAY 7 DECEMBER	3C ASSEMBLY	



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

TERM DATES			
BREAK UP	RETURN TO SCHOOL		
FRIDAY 18 DEC	TUESDAY 5 JAN		
FRIDAY 12 FEB	MONDAY 22 FEB		
THURSDAY 1 APR	TUESDAY 20 APR		
FRIDAY 28 MAY	MONDAY 7 JUNE		
WEDNESDAY 21 JULY			
PLEASE NOTE:			
MONDAY 4 JAN 2021 School Closed	TEACHER TRAINING DAY		
MONDAY 19 APR 2021 School Closed	TEACHER TRAINING DAY		

### **REMINDER**

To support our response to COVID 19 please remember to:

- Wear a face covering on the school site
- Adhere to social distancing guidelines
- Follow the one-way system

Thank you

# RECEPTION CLASS SEPTEMBER 2021

Parents/Carers who have a child who was born between

1 September 2016 and 31
August 2017 need to make an application for their child to start Reception Class in September 2021 by no later than

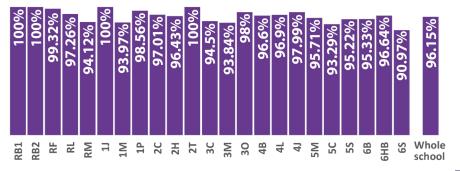
15 January 2021. The quickest and easiest way to make an application is online at www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions or by contacting 0121 303 1888

Please note applications should be sent directly to the Admissions Office and NOT to school.

### **ATTENDANCE**

NO DAYS Lost	10 DAYS Lost	19 DAYS Lost	29 DAYS LOST THE SAME AS HALF A TERM!	38 DAYS Lost	47 DAYS Lost
100%	95%	90%	85%	<b>80</b> %	<b>75</b> %
190 days of education	180 days of education	171 days of education	161 days of education	152 days of education	143 days of education
<b>GOOD</b> Best chance of success - get your child off to a flying start		WORRYING Less chance of success. Makes it harder for your child to progress.		SERIOUS CONCERN COURT ACTION AND FINES	

Attendance W.C. 9 NOVEMBER 2020



"Children love to learn. The learning environment is inspiring and relationships between staff and children are exceptionally positive" -  $\tt OFSTED MAY 2019$ 









# STARS OF THE WEEK

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Class	Name	Reason	Mathematician of the week
RF	Haroon A	Haroon has been working extremely hard on his attitude to learning and behaviour, and has turned a massive corner. He has become a friendly young man exhibiting excellent behavioural choices, which is making him a popular member of RF! Well done Haroon keep it up!	Isabella F
RL	Hazel P	Hazel is our star of the week for constantly trying hard in all areas of learning. She is a kind and considerate member of our class and is always offering to support peers during independent learning time. Hazel is able to apply her phonics knowledge to confidently write CVC labels independently. Keep up the good work Hazel!	Muhammed Z M
RM	Zac L	Zac has been a superstar this week and has completed every piece of work set! I was particularly impressed with his Literacy work. He created an excellent story map and was able to think of some interesting captions to describe the characters. Keep up the great work!	Nancy S
1J	Samir A	Samir is trying really hard to have kind hands and share with his peers. He also is listening to instructions given adults.	Raees S
1M	Farzaana J	Farzaana is a superstar! She has been trying hard this half term to show positive learning behaviours, listening really well in lessons and creating some amazing work in her books. Keep it up Farzaana, we are really proud of you!	Haris S
1P	Nina G	Nina is a real joy to teach. She is making good progress in all her learning and is keen to challenge herself. Nina makes all the adults in 1P smile everyday with her kind and caring attitude. Keep it up, Nina!	Rehan A
2T	Aaeysha A	I have chosen Aaeysha as our star of the week for two reasons. The first is because she is always smiling throughout the day and cheering everyone up. The second is because she created a fantastic poster for Anti-Bullying week. Well done Aaeysha!	Mustafa A
2H	Ella-May B	Ella-May what a star! Ella-May is a pleasure to have in 2H. She comes into school every day smiling and tries her best in everything she does. Ella-May has really impressed me with her fantastic writing this week. She remembered all of her capital letters and full stops and had lovely handwriting. Well done Ella-May I am so proud of you!	Ayman S
2C	Ayan M	Ayan is a real superstar in 2C, he tries hard in every lesson and has a real positive attitude towards his learning. Ayan has enjoyed planning his narrative this week and thought of interesting ways to change his story. Well done!	Maryam Q
3C	Arjun S	Arjun is a joy to have in 3C! He is so polite and helpful. Arjun shared some very interesting opinions and asked lots of questions during our P4C lesson this week. He has worked hard during Maths this week adding 3-digit numbers. Well done Arjun - I am very proud of you!	Esey A
30	Mohammed N	Mohammed Naif is a happy, kind boy who has some lovely friendships. He asks others to play with him if he can see that they're on their own. I think he is an excellent friend.	Beau T
3M	Kyle C	Kyle was very insightful this week. He was inspired by words he had heard and said that they made him want to be a bit kinder. He is clearly someone who wants to make the world a better place!	Kyle C
4J	Maysam A	Maysam always shows compassion to others and includes everyone outside in the playground. During our anti-bullying sessions this week, Maysam carefully thought about the consequences of actions carried out by others and put forward ways to enhance positive behaviours. Keep it up Maysam!	Deeyala A
4B	Haleemah J	Haleemah has really impressed me this week with her efforts towards her reading diary! It is completed more than once a day, it is colourful and shows her understanding of the book she is reading! Well done Haleemah.	Catherine O
4L	Tayiba C	Tayiba is such a kind hearted young lady who is a great friend to everybody in our class. She has a beautiful smile which helps cheer everybody else up in the class.	Habib A
5C	Tobias T-L	Tobias has taken anti-bullying week seriously this week and made sure that everyone has a smile and a friend on the playground at playtimes. You are a positive role model to 5C and Billesley and we are very proud!	
5S	Sabaa A	Sabaa is a polite, very helpful and hard working pupil. I am really pleased that her attendance has improved recently - well done and keep this up! Sabaa is a delight to have in my class.	
5M	Anika P	Anika has a good understanding of anti-bullying and has made mature contributions to our discussions this week. Well done, Anika.	Arvin M
6НВ	Ana C	Ana has been chosen by our class as our Star of the Week because she is a fantastic friend to all in 6H. She always makes sure that others are feeling okay, she includes everybody in games and is a very trustworthy friend to have around. We are all lucky to have Ana in our class as she is a great role model and the perfect star for Anti-bullying week.	Ali A
6B	Nusrat F	Nusrat is always a star. She works hard, always tries her best and takes on board things she is asked to do to improve her. The reason I have chosen her for star, however, is nothing to do with that and everything to do with her caring attitude to everyone around her. She is mature and thoughtful and really aware of making sure everyone feels included. A true star and a real role model.  Well done Nusrat!	
6S	Aleena H	Our star of the week this week has been voted for by the children! Everyone in 6S agreed that Aleena is a wonderful role model when it comes to anti-bullying and creating a happy and safe environment for us to work and play in. She is open and kind hearted bringing a ray of sunshine with her wherever she goes!	Savannah C
RB	Zoya A	Zoya has returned to school this week and been an absolute superstar! She has participated eagerly in reading, begun writing an excellent information text on beavers and has shown perseverance during maths lessons. Her friends and teachers are so happy to have her back at school!	Brax K

# REMOTE LEARNING

#### What is remote learning?

If your child is unable to attend school due to COVID, whether self isolating or awaiting a test result, then we want to ensure that they don't stop learning. To support you, we have a number of ways for your child to take part in fun and engaging lessons throughout the day. Please carry on reading to find out about our remote learning offer.

#### **Early Years**

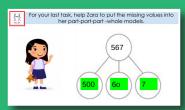
Children in Nursery and Reception have lots of exciting opportunities to complete online learning whilst they are unable to come to school. They can read a book on Bug Club, practise their handwriting with LetterJoin and complete lots of fantastic learning activities that are set by our teachers on Learning Journal. This week one of our Reception bubbles, who are isolating, has been building dens, counting leaves and even playing spot the difference. Can you spot the difference?



### Years 1-6

We have lots of engaging ways to keep children learning at home. As well as Mathletics, Bugclub, Spelling Shed, TT Rockstars and Letter Join, all of our children, who need to self isolate, are provided with access to our Virtual School on Google Classroom. On Google Classroom you will find Reading, Writing and Maths lessons plus much much more! The best part is, our dedicated online teachers are there to support and encourage pupils every step of the way.

### Look at this great work by Millie-Rose in Year 3:

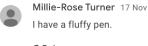


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### She even uploaded a picture of her fluffy pen for us to see!





C Palmer 17 Nov

That is sooo cool! I love it!

If you have any questions, please speak with your class teacher or contact the school office

# YEAR 3 NEWS

### **History**

During our History lesson last week, we had a fantastic time working together using teamwork to complete exciting tasks and challenges. We imagined it was around 1,500 years ago and we had to try to survive! We worked as family groups and we had to look after one another. We thought about what we would need the most and how we would do it. Some of our tasks included building a shelter, finding food, catching animals and cooking food. It was so much fun and we worked very well in teams.



This week in Art, Year 3 have been exploring monoprinting. We looked at various pieces of silk and shared our opinions about different styles and designs. We used black printing paint and rollers to create a black painting canvas. Then we used dragon picture stencils to create fantastic dragon outline designs. We had such a fun afternoon and we felt incredibly proud of our designs!









# HILDREN IN NEED

On Friday 13th November Billesley supported Children in Need by 'Taking on the Baton for Joe'. Joe Wicks completed his 24 hour continuous work-out at 9.25am on Friday morning having started at 9.25am the previous day. All the children at Billesley joined Joe for his final 20 minutes live. This was the warm-up for our own Children in Need challenge. Starting at Joe's 9.25am finish, the Billesley children and staff would 'take on the Baton for Joe' and complete a 6 hour continuous work-out of their own. Every 20 minutes each class throughout the school, from Reception to Year 6, completed their own work-out and passed the Baton on to the next, creating a continuous stream of exercise that was non-stop from 9.25am - 3.05pm. The event raised a massive £640 to support Children in Need! Thank you to all our children, staff and parents who took part and donated to this wonderful event.











# ACTION CALENDAR: NEW WAYS NOVEMBER 2020





### **SUNDAY**

### Make a list of new things you want to do this month

- Find out something new
- **15** Go outside and do something playful - walk, run, explore, relax
- someone you
- 29 Discover your artistic side. Design your own greeting cards

### **MONDAY**

- 9 Plan a new activity or idea vou want to try out this week
- 16 Look at life
- Set aside a regular time to pursue an activity you love

### TUESDAY

- Get outside and observe the changes in nature around you
- **10** When you
- 17 Try a new way to practice self-care and be kind to yourself
- **24** Share with a helpful you

### WEDNESDAY

- Sign up to join a new course, activity or online
- **11** Be curious. Learn about a new topic or an inspiring idea
- 18
- 25 Use one of your strengths in a new or creative way

### THURSDAY

- 5 Change your normal routine today and notice how you feel
- **12** Overcome a trying out a new
- 19 Broaden your perspective: read a different paper, magazine or site

#### FRIDAY

- **6** Give yourself new way of being
- 13 Choose a different route and see what you notice on the way
- **20** Make a meal
- **27** Enjoy new music today. Play, sing, dance or listen

### SATURDAY

- Be creative. Cook, draw, write, paint, make or
- **14** Find a new
- 21 Learn a new skill from a friend or share one of yours with them
- 28 Join a friend doing their hobby and find out why they love it

### **ACTION FOR HAPPINESS**



"You never know what you can do until you try" ~ C. S. Lewis





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Outstanding Provider



www.actionforhappiness.org

Keep Calm · Stay Wise · Be Kind

Learn more about this month's theme at www.actionforhappiness.org/new-ways-november









# COMMUNITY

# Strike9T Wildcats Girls Football Centres from the FA

To inspire **girls aged** between **5 - 11** to be involved in **football**.

S9T Wildcats Girls Football
Centres provide girls with
regular opportunities to play
football and participate in
organised sessions in a fun and
engaging environment.

Sessions will be based at:

Moseley School Sports Centre
Returns from Saturday 12th
September 2020





Just £10 per month

Saturdays @Moseley School Sports Centre 10am- 11am Springfield Road B13 9NP

Reserve a place, email us at: Info@strike9training.co.uk

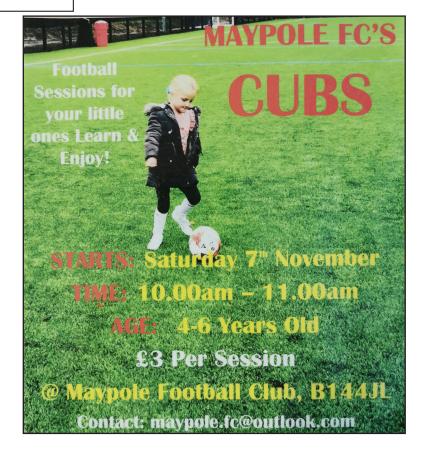


### COMMUNITY FOOD BOX FRIDAY 8.30-10am @ The House

For further details ask Sarah Butler









November 2020





Parent/Carer Webinars take place regularly throughout the year and cover a number of different topics. Please see the local offer website for further details. Each webinar should last approximately one hour and take the format of a presentation followed by an opportunity to ask questions.

### SUPPORTING CHILDREN AT HOME.

### **BEHAVIOUR**

Speaker: Dr Claire Jarvis, Educational Psychologist

### About this webinar: Information to help you:

- To develop an understanding of why children display challenging behaviour or struggle to manage their emotions
- To have practical strategies to take away to support your child at home

### Friday 27th November at 2.00pm

To secure your place on this webinar please click on the link below to order your free ticket and on the day you will be contacted admitting you in to the webinar.

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/managing-childrensbehaviour-and-supporting-children-at-home-tickets-128862979641











# Birmingham Food On Our Doorstep

# Good-quality food at a low price

Family Action has launched Food On Our Doorstep (FOOD) clubs in Birmingham to provide families with good-quality food at a low cost, while also reducing food waste.

It costs just £1 a year for your family to become a member. Once you've joined, you can purchase a bag of tasty food items every week worth approx. £15 for just £3.50!

To become a member you must live or work within 15 minutes of

the club.

# Where and when

- Malachi, Billesley Ark, 725 Yardley Wood Road, Billesley, Birmingham, B13 0PT
- Time
   Tuesdays 9.30am to 11.30am
   Wednesdays 9.30am to 11.30am

### Find out more

To find out more, please email birminghamfoodclubs@family-action.org.uk



www.family-action.org.uk

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### From Birmingham with Love



We've all been through a tough time with Covid-19 and lockdown. For many families it doesn't get easier during the summer holidays, which is why we're here to help. Here are some of our partners' most used services and support, which might make life a little bit easier...



1. Online parenting course. We've pre-paid for every parent in Birmingham to access a parenting course. Just enter the access code "COMMUNITY" at the top of the page to claim. There are courses for parents, carers and grandparents of children from bump to 19. Learn about how your child develops, and get tips to manage their behaviour.



2. Mental health support. In these difficult times we have to look after our mental health. For young people aged 11-25 there are forums, guides and counselling available at Kooth. If your child 0-25 needs support, get in touch with Pause by calling 0207 841 4470 or email. Adults can get support from MIND by calling 0121 262 3555. Or for urgent help call Forward Thinking Birmingham on 0300 300 0099.



3. **Financial help**. If you've lost your job, or are struggling for food or rent there are services that can help. <u>Local welfare provision</u> can make a big difference if you are in a crisis and need food, fuel or basic white goods. <u>Discretionary Housing Payments</u> may be able to help with rent. And there are <u>food banks</u> across Birmingham that are here to help.



 Domestic abuse. For women and children affected by domestic abuse please see guidance or confidentially contact <u>Birmingham and Solihull Women's Aid</u>. For Men, please contact <u>Respect</u>.



 Problems with drugs or alcohol. A new, discrete app called Staying Free is available on Android or Apple. Use the code "birmingham11" for pre-paid access. To speak to someone call <u>Change Grow Live</u>.



 Bereavement support. It's a terrible time to lose a loved one — you can get help by calling 0121 687 8010 or from <u>Cruse</u>.



7. Early help for families. If anyone in your family needs more help, from public services or community groups, then please contact our <u>voluntary sector local leads</u>. We have ten areas which can connect you to support across the city.

If you are worried about a child, please call Birmingham's Children's Advice and Support Service on 0121 303 1888. In an emergency, including child abuse, contact the Police on 999. You can also <u>chat</u> to the Police.















# COVID 19

# What you must do

### **Symptoms**

- high temperature,
- repeated and persistent cough,
- loss of smell or taste.

### For more information go to

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/coronavirus-in-children/

# Do not send your child to school if they or anyone in your household have symptoms of COVID 19

If your child develops symptoms in school you will be contacted to collect your child and any siblings

If your child or someone in your household develops symptoms outside school

- Tell School (if they don't already know)
- Stay at home
- Book a test on line at <u>get a NHS test to</u> check for coronavirus
- Follow COVID 19 guidance for households with possible coronavirus infection

Positive Test result Negative Test result

- ❖ Tell School
- Stay at home
- 10 days person with symptoms
- 14 days everyone else in your household
- Follow guidance for households with possible coronavirus infection
  - School will follow the advice of PHE
  - PHE may advise school to send other children home to isolate for 14 days
- Remote learning will be provided to children asked to isolate. See Overleaf

- Tell school
- Children should return to school

### **Further Information**

### get a NHS test to check for coronavirus

### **Test Options**

- Drive through test at testing centre
- Postal Test
- Ask school to help

See overleaf for more detailed information



# Getting a test

- Book a test as soon as possible <a href="https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test">https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test</a>
- Order a home test kit if you can not get to a test site <a href="https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test">https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test</a>
- If you are ordering a home test kit do it by 3pm
- IF YOU NEED SUPPORT ORDERING A TEST, YOU MUST SPEAK TO THE SCHOOL

# **Test Centre**

You can get a test at a walk- in centre or by booking a test through the NHS website

You should avoid using public transport if you, or your child, are displaying symptoms of Coronavirus

# **Home Tests**

- YOU CAN ORDER A HOME TEST VIA <a href="https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test">https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test</a>
- Guidance on taking a home test is included with the test
- The test involves taking a swab of the inside of your nose and the back of your throat using a long cotton bud.
- Primary School children must not take the test themselves. It must be taken by a parent,
   guardian or trusted adult.
- POST YOUR TEST IN A <u>PRIORITY POSTBOX</u> IF YOU CAN. These have an NHS sticker on them: outside Pete's Pan/ Braceby Avenue/ outside Sweet Chillies restaurant/ Hullbrook Road.

must **NOT** return to school until

unless they have had a negative test

REMOTE ACCESS LEARNING