



# Parent Newsletter Friday 19th September 2025





Principal's Update

Afternoon, I am extremely PROUD of the year six children who wrote letters of application to be considered for the leadership roles in school. They presented their applications to our year three and four children who then cast their vote. The applications were of such a high standard that every child who applied was made a prefect. I was invited, alongside Miss Robertson to the SUAT launch of their personal development system. Miss Robertson has been involved with the planning of this from the beginning. During their time at school, children will have the opportunity to learn skills that will be life long, tracking their own progress and celebrating their successes.

Have a good weekend, Mrs Clarke

#### **Big Thoughts**

This week's question that we will be talking to the children about links to the news that the Guinness World Record Book is celebrating its 70th anniversary this year. It also links well to our perseverance value.

Are there any world records that you would like to break?



Can anyone break a world record if they try hard enough?

#### Data Collection Sheet Reminder

We still have a number of data collection sheets that need to be updated.

We are in the process of updating our school website and Facebook page. Our data sheets are really important as they tell us about photo consent as well as other important information. If you haven't yet completed one, pop in to the office or send a dojo to the office who will be able to send one home with your child.

Thank you.

#### Year 6 Pupil Leadership

Today, we announced our newly appointed pupil leadership team in Year 6. Mrs Clarke, all staff and children were blown away by the quality of the applications. A huge well done to all involved.

#### This Week's Attendance Winners

Overall attendance winners this week are:

KS1: 1KS 99% LKS2:4EP 99% UKS2: 6*G*S 99%



John Wheeldon PTFA

The PTFA would love you to join us for our Annual General Meeting. An AGM is simply our yearly gettogether where we share what we've been up to, how funds have been spent, and our exciting plans for the year ahead.

year ahead.
It's also when we vote in the committee (Chair,
Treasurer & Secretary)

Coming along doesn't mean you'll be pressured to join the committee, it's just a chance to hear more, have your say, and maybe get involved and really

make a difference.

Everything the PTFA does, helps give our children extra opportunities and resources that wouldn't otherwise be possible - all thanks to parents, teachers and carers.

3.30PM

#### THURSDAY 9TH OCTOBER

BIRCH HALL



#### Absence Reminder

We expect children to attend school every day, as long as they are fit and healthy enough to do so. If your child is not well enough to attend school, please contact the school office by 9.30am of the day of absence, giving a specific reason for the absence.

We have a duty of care for safeguarding your child, we will contact you if we do not receive a call on a daily basis to ensure we know your child is safe.

To report an absence:

Ring 01785 594444 option 1 by 9.30am

Please give your full child's name and reason for their absence.

Ring on each day of the absence.

When no reason is given the absence is recorded as unauthorised which puts families at risk of a fine from the Local Authority. Thank you for your continued co operation with this.



#### Weekly Achievements

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### Perseverance PROUD award winners for the week are...

## **KS1**

EYFS: Isobella, Trixie, Willow, Rosie, Aaliyah and Dylan M Year 1: Lyla, Iris, Manson, Aaleen, Faraz and Rieva Year 2: Zorowar, Zach, Thomas I, Dylan, Patrick and Margo



## **KS2**

Year 3: Ruby Rose, Erin and Rhyley Year 4: Teddy, Bobby and Elisa Year 5: Lily B, Harrison and Francesca Year 6: Kay, Noor and Scarlett

#### Additional Achievements

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Willow (Y3) Football 'hero of the week' award Seren (Y3) Level 5 Gymnastics award Emily (Y4) Karate award Eman (Y3) Islamic school award Archer (Y2) Grade 3 Swimming award

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# Year 6 Pupil Leadership Team

Deputy Head Prefects — Emily and Didi Head Prefects — Amirah and Dexter Deputy Heads — Michael and Maddison Head Boy and Head Girl— Oilver D and Liberty



# Key Dates Friday 19th September 2025



# Key Dates 2025/26

Macmillan Coffee morning	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> September 9am
Y6 Standon Bowers residential	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> September
Y2 Castle trip	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October
Y2 Castle trip	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October
PTFA AGM meeting	Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> October
Y5 Birmingham trip	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> October
Y5 Birmingham trip	Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October
EYFS New Intake Stay and Play	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October
End of Autumn term 1	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> October
HALF TERM	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> October -Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> October
Start of Autumn term 2	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November
End of Autumn term	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December
HALF TERM	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December - Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January
INSET day	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January
Start of Spring term 1	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January
End of Spring term 1	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February
HALF TERM	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> February – 20 <sup>th</sup> February
Start of Spring term 2	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February
INSET day/End of Spring term 2	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March
Easter Holidays	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March – Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> April
Start of Summer term 1	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April
End of Summer term 1	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May
HALF TERM	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May - Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May
INSET day	Monday 1st June
Start of Summer 2	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June
End of Summer term 2	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July
INSET day	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July