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# NEWSLETTER

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# Year Two INSPIRE Workshop

On Thursday, we had our Year Two INSPIRE Reading workshop for parents and it was lovely to see how many of you who were able to come in and join the children doing their work. The children were wonderful and I want to thank Miss Harris and Miss Trude for organising this informative workshop.

'I had a lot of fun making a reading cube with my mum.' - Lina (2H)

'The workshop was so fun! My daddy helped me make my reading dice and we played a game.' - Hanna (2T)

'I enjoy reading books online with my mum. I love reading!' - Blake (2H)

'Our Inspire was amazing! I loved reading to my daddy, he likes listening to me read.' - Roman (2T)

## Year 6 Parents - Secondary School Places

At this time of year, Year 6 parents will be busy attending secondary school open days, which is a wise thing to do. Just a reminder that applications for secondary schools can be made online by visiting the Birmingham City Council website <a href="www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions">www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions</a> and the deadline for applications is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025. If you require assistance, please ring the Admissions and Appeals Department on 0121 303 1888. If you live outside of Birmingham, you have to apply directly to the Local Authority that you live in.

#### Harvest Celebrations

Next week, we will be celebrating and giving thanks for all the food that we have to eat. You are warmly invited to join our Harvest Festival celebrations. Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will hold their Harvest Festival on the morning of Thursday  $9^{th}$  October at 9:20am. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will hold their Harvest Festival on the afternoon of Thursday  $9^{th}$  October at 2:45pm. As in previous years, we are asking you to donate harvest produce, which will be distributed in our local community. Please send any produce into school from Monday onwards. If you would like to nominate anyone for a Harvest parcel, please complete the reply slip below or complete an application on Parent Mail and return it by Monday  $6^{th}$  October. The parcels will be distributed on Friday  $10^{th}$  October. Many thanks for your support.

# Mental Health Awareness Day

Next Friday, we will be having a non-uniform day to raise awareness of mental health and how we need to look after ourselves. One in four adults and one in ten children suffer with a form of mental health illness every day and it is often overlooked or ignored. On the day, children will have a go at various age-appropriate activities such as mindfulness, relaxation and breathing and looking at techniques that help to deal with anxiety. All children can wear non-uniform, if you wish to make a donation then you can. Any money received will go to a children's mental health charity.

### Attendance Matters

Regular attendance is critical not only for academic success but also for your child's social and emotional development. Being in school enables children to:

- Access the lessons needed to meet age-related expectations.
- Maintain friendships and develop important social strategies.
- Participate in social and sporting events.
- Explore potential careers.
- Develop good punctuality and other essential habits for a successful future.

To help put this in perspective, here's how different attendance rates affect missed learning:

Days Absent	Weeks Missed	Lessons Missed
·	(approximately)	
5 days	1 week	25 lessons
10 days	2 weeks	50 lessons
20 days	4 weeks	100 lessons

Persistent absence is when a pupil misses 19 days (10%), or more, of their possible school days over the year. If you wish to discuss any issues affecting your child's attendance, please contact school.

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This week £27.80 was collected in School Fund this week. May I take this opportunity to thank all the parents who have paid. It does mean we can buy those 'extra' things for the children.

Mr. M. Wingrove

(Head Teacher)

# Calshot Primary School Nomination for a Harvest Parcel 2025

Child's Name:	Class:
Name of person to receive gift:	
To be collected by:	

