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NEWSLETTER

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Anti-bullying Week

Next week is national 'Anti-Bullying Week'. As part of our PSHE curriculum, classes will discuss bullying in all its different forms. The theme this year is **'Break the Silence'.** The idea is about speaking out against bullying, in all its forms. Children will consider what bullying means and what we can do to stop bullying. An important focus will be helping children recognise that we don't always get on with everyone and we don't always agree, but we can choose respect and unity. On Monday, children will be able to wear **odd socks,** as the serious message behind the fun is: **'Lets pull on odd socks to show we're ALL unique and different, and let's be kind to each other and respect each other's individuality'.**

Year 1 INSPIRE Workshop

On Wednesday, we had our Year One INSPIRE Phonics 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 Braham and Mrs Jagroo for organising this informative workshop.

'I learnt about the 'ea' sound. I enjoyed doing the cutting and sorting. It was fun!' – Maya (1B)

'I had fun with my stepdad. I cut out the words and he made Obb and Bob.' – Pixie (1J)

'I enjoyed writing the 'ea' words. I liked cutting and sticking.' – Halit (1B)

'I enjoyed playing the Obb and Bob game with my dad.' – Ronnie (1J)

Individual Photographs

The 'School Photography Company' photographer will be in school on Tuesday 24th November. All children will have an individual photo taken and you will also be able to have a separate family photo. Please note, family photos will only be taken before school from 8.15-9.00am in the main hall and not during the school day. If you want a family photo please come to the main hall before school.

Reception Applications – Sept 2027

To apply for Reception places for September 2027, parents must visit www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions and submit an online application by 15th January 2027 (final closing date). If you have any questions, please contact Children's Services on 0121 303 1888. Please note, all parents need to apply, even if your child is currently in our Nursery. Parents will be notified of their Reception offer on 16th April 2027.

School Fund

Over the last few years, we haven't promoted the need for School Fund. However, our school fund account is nearly empty. There is no obligation to pay into it, however we ask that if you able to make a 50 pence weekly contribution or pay in a termly lump sum, available via Parent Mail, that would be brilliant. All funds are spent on providing the extra things that children need in school.

The Waiting Room

On occasions we all need some support to help us manage. The Waiting Room is a website with links to various support networks that covers a range of things such as: mental health, housing and homelessness, disability support, employment and welfare (plus much more). The website is the-waitingroom.org and is free for everyone. I recommend that you save it into your web browser, you can then share it with family or friends that you think may benefit from any of the services offered.

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