# Deanery Church of England Primary School NEWSLETTER

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29th September 2022

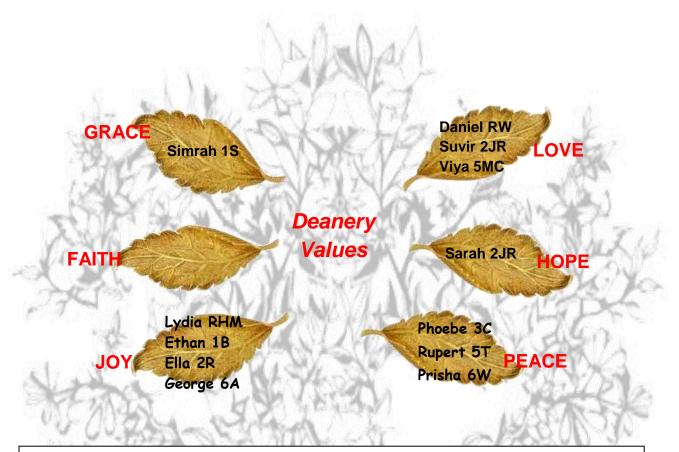
I do love this time of year, when the trees display a colourful pallet of deep reds and oranges. We are so fortunate to have such lovely grounds that surround school that can be en joyed in so many ways by our children. As the weather is unpredictable, please ensure that your child wears a suitable coat to school each day to keep them dry and warm whilst en joying the outside.

Our new tarmac path has proved to be a great success as we welcome children and parents into school. Please can I ask that visitors stick to the main pathways around school, not crossing grass verges, which can become slippery and muddy, especially as winter approaches. We need to keep everyone safe on our school site.









**Pupil Voice** 

Reception have been exploring emotions this week, learning to recognise different emotions and exploring how to express themselves.

Jonah RHM- "I've enjoyed making new friends this week and making with the play dough".

Ollie 1B - "I enjoyed going on the IPad because I'm learning to use different APPS".

Kaiden 1S - "Phonics is good because this week, I like writing the new words we have learnt".

Noah and Daniel 5MC – "In maths, we have been learning how to round up to 100,000 and have enjoyed trying to challenge ourselves with problem solving activities."

Harrison 5T – "I have enjoyed playing hockey in PE because we played some mini games on the MUGA."

Lilly 6A – "We had a brilliant time at Quinta and did lots of activities such as tree climbing, canoeing, low ropes, archery, geography walk and art. We had delicious meals like meatballs and spaghetti. It was a really fun week."



We are sure you will join us in sending love and huge congratulations to Miss A Furness and her family on the safe arrival of their daughter.

#### **Deanery News**

Congratulations to our super new Head Boys and Head Girls – we know they will continue to be a huge asset to our school. Very well deserved!

Congratulations to our Chief Chums who will be overseeing peer mediation across the school.

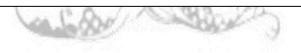
We are pleased to introduce our new Peer Mediators. They will help children to discuss any playground or friendship issues and explore how best to move things forward.











#### Harvest Services at St John's Church

We are thrilled to be able to invite families to join us for our Harvest Services at St John's next week. You will already have seen the dates for these on the diary dates for the term and been invited to support classes by volunteering to walk to Church.

To join us at either of the services, please arrive at St John's for 2pm.

The KS1 service will be for children from Reception to Year 2 on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October.

The KS2 service will be for children from Year 3 to Year 6 on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October.

Alongside both services, we will be collecting food for Erdington foodbank, which is much needed at this time. Please send donations into school on the day of your child's Harvest Service. These will stay at school for collection by representatives of the foodbank later in the week.

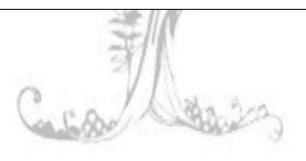
https://erdington.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/urgently-needed/

## **URGENTLY NEEDED**

All non-perishable food appreciated, but our biggest needs are:

- 500g bags of pasta
- packets of biscuits
- tinned fruit
- jars of pasta sauce
- bottles of cooking oil
- tinned rice pudding

Donations for the food bank can also be brought into school at any time during the year. We would love to increase our giving in this way, so please support us throughout the year if you can.





#### School Photographs

Individual and sibling photographs will be taken on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October, including Little Hollies Nursery. Please ensure clean, smart uniform is worn on this day.

Photographs will only be available to be purchase online with free delivery back to school or home delivery at a cost. We will send your proof home with your child by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October.

#### **Reception Intake - September 2023**

We will be holding open sessions for parents of children eligible to start Reception in September 2023. These will be held on:

17<sup>th</sup> October 2022 starting at 9.30am 18<sup>th</sup> October 2022 starting at 9.30am

Please call the school office on 0121 351 6441 to book a place.

In October 2022, the local authority will write to parents /carers of children who are on roll at a community or private nursery advising them of how to apply for a Reception Class place for September 2023. To view a copy of the Parents' Information Booklet online, follow this link https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/20119/school\_admissions/1786/apply\_for\_rece

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#### Year 6 Secondary School Admission September 2023

You should have been contacted by Birmingham City Council by now, however, a reminder that the closing date for Secondary School Admission for 2023 is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022. Please follow the link below for more information. https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/20119/school\_admissions/1778/secondary\_school\_year\_7\_admissions/1



#### School Dinners

Please check individual accounts for dinner costs for this half term. If you would like to change from a school dinner to a packed lunch, you must advise the office by **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September.** 

**Friday Feasts** are continuing, if your child currently brings sandwiches but would like to join us for dinners on a Friday please contact the school office. We will also be having a Bonfire Special Lunch on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November, more details to follow.

#### **RNIB Stamps Appeal**

As a school, we are supporting RNIB and collect stamps to make a difference to blind and partially sighted people.

If you receive cards and letters through the post, could you save the stamps and send them in to us? We will recycle them and send them on to the RNIB who will recycle them into much-needed funds for their services.

We have a collection box in the main school entrance or just send your stamps in to us in a bag or envelop and we will pop them in the collection box for you.



#### Second-hand Uniform

The PTFA have a range of second-hand uniform available to purchase. Details can be found at the attached link <u>https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100057337754414</u>

The PTFA are also looking for donations of Deanery second hand uniform please. They need any good quality, sellable Deanery school uniform items with the logo on. Please contact the PTFA via their Facebook page or email <a href="mailto:ptfa.deanery@gmail.com">ptfa.deanery@gmail.com</a> to arrange to drop off your donations.



#### School Nurse

Please follow the link below for an updated telephone number and email address for the School Nursing Team. If you have any concerns or worries around the health and wellbeing of your child, please contact the School Nursing team. <u>Birmingham Community</u> <u>Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust website here</u>

## PLEASE SEE INFORMATION BELOW FOR LOCAL ACTIVITIES

DEANERY DO NOT PROMOTE ANY OF THE ACTIVITIES

## Kind & Craft Club!

Blossom

We are holding some Blossom Kind Club sessions for girls aged 5-8! These are a safe and space filled with craft, kindness, friendships and fun!

Saturdays (10-11.30am) 15th October 5th November 3rd December

## £3 AT OUR CHERISHED OFFICE

2nd Floor, 198 Boldmere Road, Sutton Coldfield, B73 5UE

### To sign up please email: blossom@cherisheduk.org

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