

NEWSLETTER



What a wonderful week year 6 children and staff had at Quinta. The children were an absolute delight to take away, they demonstrated so many personal characteristics to be proud of; caring, supportive, encouraging of each other. They also learnt so many life skills and overcame many challenges whilst creating happy memories that they will remember forever. A big thank you to all staff who were part of the Quinta experience and to those who remained in school, enabling these opportunities to happen.

I am saddened to have to include this communication in our newsletter.

We request that visitors on school site treat each other, staff and the school grounds with respect.

All members of our school community have a right to feel safe and not fearful of intimidation, judgement or comment. Unfortunately, as we have returned to school this term, there have been occasions where staff and parents have been on the receiving end of frustrations and attitudes that fall short of our expectations.

We talk to our children about our school rules of ready, respectful and safe and provide examples in daily life of how we can live our lives demonstrating these very simple rules. Please support us by also demonstrating these rules within our school community.

Through fund raising, donations and the support of our community, we managed to finance the MUGA a couple of years ago. This was a substantial investment into the facilities available at school for all of our children. However, over the years an increasing number of visitors on the school site take a short cut across the MUGA to and from the external field gate, causing significant damage. Please support us in our request to keep to the paths as they provide a safe passage around the school site and prevent avoidable costly damage. We do not want to have to close this gate.

Following recent events, we have had to introduce a bell at 3:40pm; this is to request that all visitors and children leave the school site, in order for the external gates to be locked. This ensures that the school grounds are safe and enable the facilities to be enjoyed by children who attend Foxes and after school clubs. We ask that you adhere to this request.

Should you require an extended conversation with a member of staff, please make an appointment via the school office.

Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

GRACE

Isla 5H
Viya 6A

LOVE

FAITH

Callum 5MC

**Deanery
Values**

HOPE

JOY

Joshua RHM
Willow 2MS
Jonah 1BM
Leo 5H

Tommy 2R

Toby 3T

PEACE

Pupil Voice

Tatum RHM - "We looked at autumn things and then I used conkers, sticks, leaves and playdough to make an autumn conker tree".

Liam 2MS - Liam has expressed his delight when as a class we filled the marble jar and had our class reward! He also particularly enjoyed music lessons joining in with keeping to the beat and expressing through movement!

Ethan 3T – "PE has been fun because I like playing football".

Sienna 3T – "I really liked Art because we were using charcoal to draw big drawings of small things like paper clips, scissors and drawing pins".

Amy 5H – "I enjoyed learning new moves in PE this week. The dancing was fun!"

Nate 5H – "I have loved making the worm in computing and starting to develop my own game".

James 5MC – "In science this week, we have been learning about plant reproduction and the different ways plants can reproduce. We have learnt that some plants can reproduce without a parent plant. We wanted to see this for ourselves, so we have set up our own experiment of trying to grow spring onions and carrots in the classroom! The spring onions smell nice! I don't think the carrots will reproduce in the water, I think they need to be in soil".

Charlotte 6A – "At Quinta we did lots of fun activities with Adventure Plus and our teachers".

Amelia 6A – "In Art, we have looked at negative and positive spaces, and used this and a grid method to help us draw and enlarged image of a dog".

Staffing Update

Over the next couple of weeks we say a fond farewell to Karen Edge, Teaching Assistant who leaves us after 20 years at Deanery and Sara Solomon, Office Manager who leaves us after nearly 4 years. I am sure you will join us in saying a huge thank you for all they have given to Deanery over the years and we wish them both well for the future.

We would also like to say congratulations to Sam Furness, Nursery Teaching Assistant, who is expecting her first child in January 2024.

Phase News

Nursery have created a beautiful art gallery, showcasing their self-portraits. It is wonderful to celebrate how unique you all are.

Reception have been reading the book 'In my heart' by Jo Witek. They have been talking about different emotions and have created some 'heart' artwork inspired by Jim Dine.

Year 1 have been composing sentences inspired by the book 'We're going on a bear hunt'. They have also been investigating different flowers, identifying and labelling different parts.

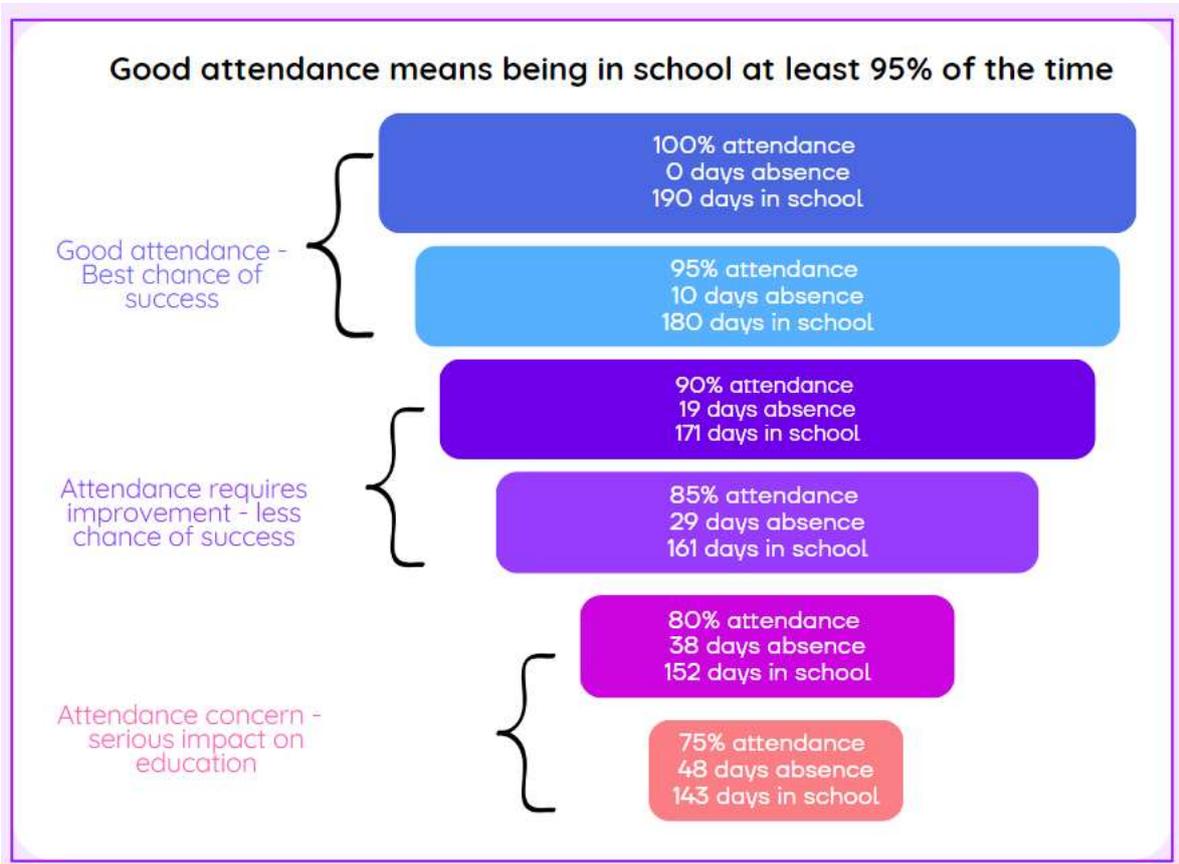
We are looking forward to celebrating Harvest with you in a couple of weeks at St John's church.

Year 2 and 3 are very keen and excited to get started with the Junior Duke award - there's been loads of interest from the children. Some of them have already thought about activities they could do such as car washing, baking, going for a hike and doing the hoovering at home!

In Y4/5/6 phase over the last fortnight, we have been electing eco, worship and school councillors and starting to attend some of our first meetings of the year, ready to make a difference to our school. Exciting times!

Attendance at Deanery

Your child is required to attend school for 190 days each year. The government target for attendance in primary schools is at least 95%.



Behaviour Tokens

This term, through our behaviour tokens, we are supporting 3 hospices from our local area who all provide help and care for people who are really poorly.



Harvest Services at St John's Church, Walmley

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

To join us at a service, please arrive at St John's for 2pm.

The KS1 service will be for children from Reception to Year 2 on Wednesday 11th October.

The KS2 service will be for children from Year 3 to Year 6 on Thursday 12th October.

Alongside the service, we will be collecting food for Erdington foodbank, which is much needed at this time. Please send donations in to school on Wednesday 11th or Thursday 12th October. 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:

- boxes of cereals
- tinned corned beef
- packets of biscuits
- bottles of cooking oil
- tins of fish in oil
- tinned rice pudding/custard
- tinned fruit
- 1kg bags of sugar

Parent Consultation Evenings

Parent consultation evenings for all year groups, including Nursery, will take place on:

Wednesday 25th October 4.00pm – 6.30pm

Thursday 26th October 5.30pm – 8.00pm

Please look out for an email on Monday with instructions on how to book your appointment. Please note that appointments are booked through Scopay so please check that you can logon to your Scopay account.

School Photographs

Individual and sibling photographs will be taken on Thursday 5th 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 Monday 9th October.

Reception Intake - September 2024

We will be holding open sessions for parents of children eligible to start Reception in September 2024. These will be held on:

Wednesday 18th October 2023 starting at 9.30am – 11.00am

Thursday 19th October 2023 starting at 9.30am – 11.00am

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

In October 2023, 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 2024. 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_reception_primary_school

Bonfire Meal - Thursday 26th October



On Thursday 26th October, the children that have packed lunches are invited to join in with a themed lunch for Bonfire night. Please see the menu attached. The cost of the meal is £2.70 and the deadline for filling the form out below is **Thursday 5th October**. Meals will be added to Scopay after the deadline date.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=y4FijlNeEygFqtjlf3WwWv09RIC8ZpPmBKDdOdmiLxUNDVOU1gxMEhHUDFQSTQ3WFVTQTFYREFNTi4u>

Second-hand Uniform

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

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 ptfa.deanery@gmail.com to arrange to drop off your donations.

Year 6 Secondary School Admission September 2024

You should have been contacted by Birmingham City Council by now, however, a reminder that the closing date for Secondary School Admission for 2024 is 31st October 2023. Please follow the link below for more information.

https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/20119/school_admissions/1778/secondary_school_year_7_admissions/1



Quiz Night

FRIDAY 20TH OCTOBER
7PM - 10.30PM
KS2 SCHOOL HALL

Join us for a fun evening of
multi-round trivia and games

Spot prizes and Raffle

Tickets £5 (team of 8 £40)

Drinks and snacks on sale
(cash & card accepted)

Order tickets at www.pta-events.co.uk/deanery



Early Help is a network of local organisations, here to ensure services are accessible for families who need support.

Use the QR code to access our **Family Connect Form**

Fill in your details and what support you're looking for, and we will be in touch.



If you need more information, or support filling out the form, contact your Community Connectors, Dawn & Danielle
communityconnectors@ourplacesupport.org

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. [Birmingham Community Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust website here](#)

PLEASE SEE INFORMATION
BELOW FOR LOCAL
ACTIVITIES

DEANERY DO NOT PROMOTE
ANY OF THE ACTIVITIES

KOMBATKIDS

The Right Choice!



**First 3
classes
FREE!**

WELCOMING NEW BEGINNERS TO

DEANERY C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

14 Fox Hollies Rd, Walmley Sutton Coldfield. B76 2RD

MONDAY 5.30 - 6.30PM

WEDNESDAY 5.30 - 6.30PM

THE SANCTUARY

Tangmere Drive, Castle Vale. B35 7PX

FRIDAY 5.30 - 6.30PM

To register text: child name / class location

t: 07730 899722

e: info@kombatkids.com

w: www.kombatkids.com

f: www.facebook.com/kombatkids



15. MARTIAL ARTS

1992-2022



U10 (YEAR 5) PLAYERS WANTED!

- Training on Tuesdays - 5.45pm - 6.45pm
- Matches - Usually Sunday mornings
- ALL abilities welcome
- No prior experience necessary
- Boys and Girls
- FREE to try
- £60 annual membership
- No extra fees

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT:

Email: matthewpwalker@hotmail.co.uk

Tel: 07842831450



SPARTANS



RUFC

Coppice Ln,
Sutton Goldfield
B78 2BS

Thinking of learning to dive?



ALL AGES

All Sandwell Aquatics Centre our diving lessons are available for children aged 8 and over and able to swim confidently in deep water for 10 minutes, without an aid or swimming goggles. We also offer our own private diving lessons for talent aged adults.



ALL ABILITIES

Whether you are a complete beginner, with little diving experience or a keen learner, there is a class for you.



SC DIVING FRAMEWORK

Learn to Dive following the best recognised diving awards, from learning to dive at home to the open water diving award!
Training Schedule following the best recognised diving framework.



QUALIFIED COACHES

Our team of diving qualified coaches are experienced in coaching strategies and systems, whether you are looking for your child to try diving lessons for the first time or an adult looking to try a new activity.

www.slt-leisure.co.uk/divinglessons



Dive into the action at Sandwell Aquatics Centre



Sandwell Aquatics Centre is the only 10m venue in the West Midlands and was home of the Diving in the 2022 Commonwealth Games.

The diving pool leaves a lasting legacy from the 2022 Commonwealth Games. Years ago it was the site of the diving medals being won by the most medals at the prestigious event. Be part of the legacy!

This is an open invitation to try a taster in our new Olympic Diving 10m pool

Join your SLT diving lessons team for the new 10m pool and taster.



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