

# NEWSLETTER

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13<sup>th</sup> Oct 2023



Thank you to St John's for hosting our harvest services this year and to Ann Richardson, Area Dean for speaking to the children about how Walmley village has changed over the last 150 years, with specific reference to land use and farming. We also thank you all for the generosity shown through donations for harvest. All proceeds will go to the Erdington Foodbank. The Foodbank welcome donations at any time of the year, which can be dropped off at school.



We look forward to seeing you during parent consultations, which will be held on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October and Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October. Members of the governing body will be on hand and welcome your feedback and comments.

Thank you for supporting our request to stay off the MUGA and on the paths around school. It is not only safer, especially as the ground becomes wet and muddy, but also enables the grass to recover.

## **Secondary School Application for children in the current year 6**

Parents must submit an online application for their child to transfer by the national closing date of 31 October 2023: Before you apply:

[https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/20119/school\\_admissions/1778/secondary\\_school\\_year\\_7\\_admissions/1](https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/20119/school_admissions/1778/secondary_school_year_7_admissions/1)

**GRACE**

Thomas 1BM  
Ethan 2MS

Charlie RHM  
Rose 6W

**LOVE**

**FAITH**

Eashan 3T  
Isla 5MC

**Deanery  
Values**

**HOPE**

**JOY**

Arlo 2R  
Matilda 5H  
Jacob 6W

Joshua 5H

Carmen 6A  
Rupert 6W

**PEACE**

### **Pupil Voice**

William RHM - "We went to church and gave food to people. We sang songs too".

Winter 1BM – "I wrote the story of 'The Bear Hunt.' My best sentence was 'They went through the long, emerald grass.'"

Leen 2MS – "I enjoyed playing the RE game, I got to roll a dice and act out how Christians show God's love. I really enjoyed drawing the pictures afterwards to explain all the different ways."

Thomas 3T – "Writing jokes in English for our explanation text because it was really funny listening to all the jokes that we had."

James 5H – "I've enjoyed the adding and subtracting in maths. It's been great using the larger numbers in year 5."

Zachary 5H – "I loved getting to do the independent write. I loved being able to express my ideas through my story."

Caleb, Freddy and Zach 5MC – "We had a class Grand Designs competition to design houses using suitable materials. We gained points for explaining the properties of the materials we used, and our group won!"

Amelia F 6A – "Last week, we met in our houses and stood for our house captain elections. We shared with KS2 why we think we would make a good house captain and then they voted as we live in a democracy and this is a chance for children to share their view. We are looking forward to finding out who the house captains are in our Quinta assembly on Monday."

Jacob 6W – "I really liked our Science lesson on the circulatory system because I want to be a doctor."

Rosabella 6W – "I liked it when we did long multiplication. I understand how it works and I didn't really understand it before."

## Staffing Update

Miss Collier will be leaving Deanery at the end of this half term. She is taking the opportunity to follow her dreams and travel the world. We wish her a safe journey and look forward to hearing about all of her experiences. I am sure you join me in thanking Miss Collier for her care and guidance shown to the children over the last 5 years.

Keep in touch and come back and visit us.

## Phase News

Nursery have been looking at their stick insects closely by holding them carefully and discussing what they need to be well looked after.

Reception's focus book this week has been 'Our class is a family' and they have been considering what makes them unique or different to their friends and how they can be a good friend to others.

Year 1 have been naming body parts in their Science learning and have been using part, part, whole models in Maths to understand the composition of numbers.

Year 2 and 3 have been very generous bringing in their food donations as part of our Harvest week celebrations, for Erdington food bank.

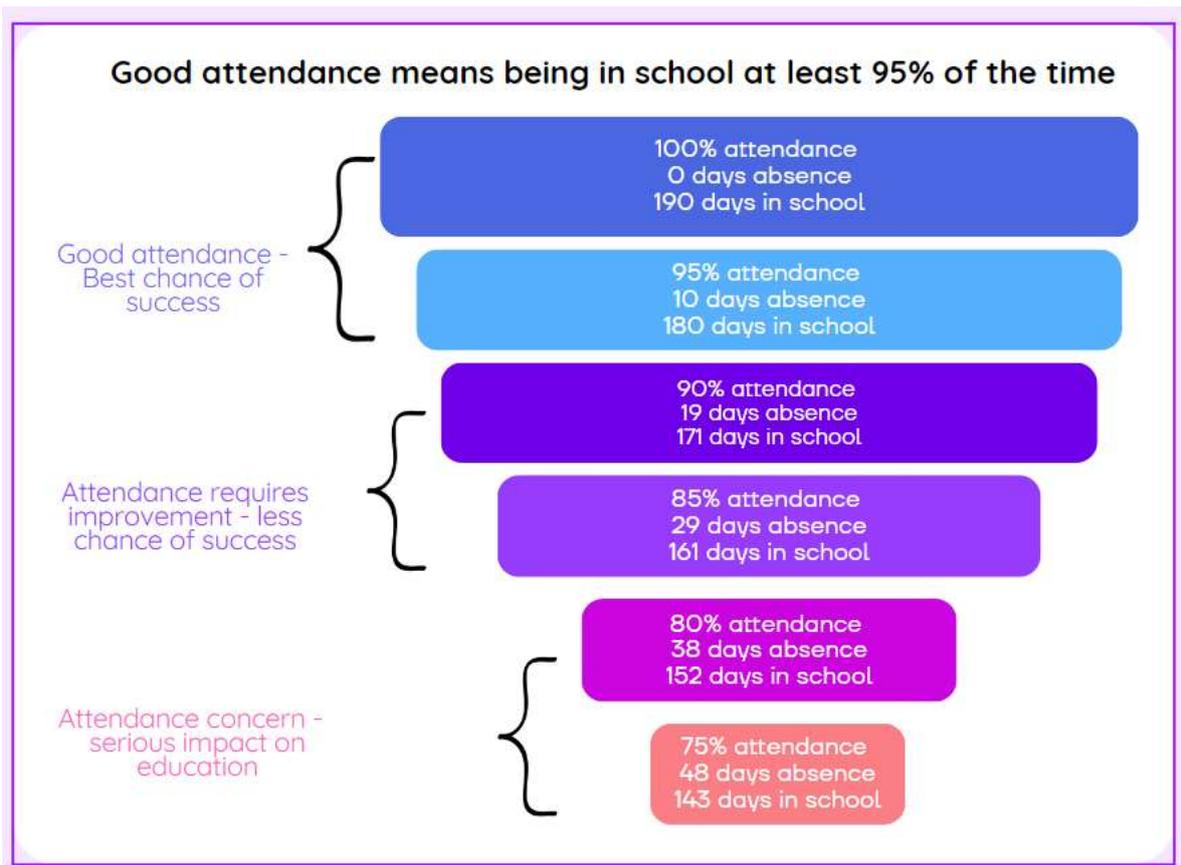
This week Year 4 have been busy preparing for our key stage 2 Harvest service at St John's church tomorrow. We're all looking forward to being back at church together and sharing in communion.

## Reception Plea

Do you have any empty kitchen rolls please? Reception are doing an art project next week and need them for their project. If you have any, please either drop them into the office or the reception classroom.

## 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%.



## Curriculum Evening Feedback

Thank you for attending the recent curriculum evenings. We always listen to your feedback and value your thoughts on how we can make things better.

Here are some of the comments and our actions:

'Details of class timetables would be useful.' [All timetables are available on the year group Google Classroom.](#)

'We enjoy getting feedback and seeing photos, could we have a year group newsletter?' [All year groups have a blog – available on the school website, where photographs of learning are shared.](#)

'How can parents help with prosody?' [A guide is printed at the back of every book - this is available for parents to view on every Collins ebook at the end. At school, we model prosody and say to the children 'copy me.' They would then take a turn. We would discuss any relevant punctuation, such as an exclamation mark, and discuss how this would change our voices, e.g. louder, more excited.](#)

'It is difficult to see a double page spread on an ebook, when reading on an ipad.' [With regards to the double spread not being visible online, this is down to the device it is being opened on and not something we can change unfortunately. For example, on a laptop or desktop computer, the book is visible as a double page spread, but not on an iphone/ipad.](#)

'It would be interesting to have an overview of other areas of the curriculum.' [The programmes of study for each term are shared on the school's website. This details all of the learning that the children will cover during the term. There are subject overviews, also available on the website, which shows the progressions on learning and the areas of study covered for the whole school.](#)

If you have any other questions, that have not been answered, please share them with the class teachers and they would be very happy to help.

## Parent Consultation Evenings

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

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October 4.00pm – 6.30pm

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October 5.30pm – 8.00pm

The booking process has now closed, please call the office if you still want to book an appointment.

## School Photographs

Have you ordered your school photos yet?

A polite reminder that the closing date for **free delivery** back to school is **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2023**. Order through the Tempest website using your unique link or visit [www.tempest-orders.co.uk](http://www.tempest-orders.co.uk)

If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 3).

## 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 18<sup>th</sup> October 2023 starting at 9.30am – 11.00am

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2023 starting at 9.30am – 11.00am

Please arrive for 9:30am to take part in the school tour.

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](https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/20119/school_admissions/1786/apply_for_reception_primary_school)

## **Message from Walmley Social Club**

All facilities at Walmley Social Club are strictly for the use of members and their guests. The car park is no exception to this - although use is also permitted by customer of Club Cappuccino and people attending other WSC club functions.

It can be very frustrating for members when they want to use the wonderful facilities of the club but find themselves unable to park. This is too often caused by non-members using it as a free and convenient place to leave a car whilst shopping in the village, commuting to work on the bus or taking children to school.

In order to combat this problem, the club have chosen to implement a Parking Management System. This system is a fully automated ANPR (Automatic Number Plate Recognition) system and it will be active by early November 2023.

## **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](mailto:ptfa.deanery@gmail.com) to arrange to drop off your donations.



# Quiz Night

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If you need more information, or support filling out the form, contact your Community Connectors, Dawn & Danielle  
[communityconnectors@ourplacesupport.org](mailto: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](#)

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FRIDAY 5.30 - 6.30PM

To register text: child name / class location

t: 07730 899722

e: [info@kombatkids.com](mailto:info@kombatkids.com)

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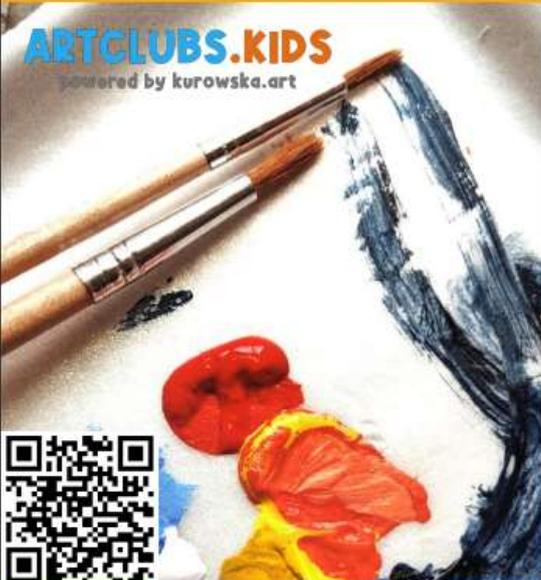
Check venues, times and availability @ [www.rugbytots.co.uk/Class/Find](http://www.rugbytots.co.uk/Class/Find)



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