

**FINHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**

Dear Parents,

We have had an exciting week learning at Finham. We started the week looking at our core value of 'Respect,' and had great fun learning the Respect Song and finding out all about respect with Elma 😊

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Following on from last week's newsletter, I had great pleasure in meeting with the 25 children from Year 6 who applied for a responsibility in school. They were full of energy and ideas on how they want to help make Finham an amazing school and are raring to go. They are working really hard to put together the plans for Firework Night and the children will be writing the newsletter next week to tell you all about what is happening.

We say you have to give respect to get respect and I am already blown away by these children and what they want to do for others.

The countdown is over and Year 4 start their 24-hour adventure. The Tents are up and we are raring to go. We will be putting lots of pictures about their learning on FROG. Each year groups page is beginning to be really well developed as we come to the end of September. We have increased the capacity of what FROG can do for us and over the coming weeks you will soon be sent out new login details for parents. We have also finalised the branding agreements for the Multi Academy Trust Website, which is days away from being ready. We still will be using FROG as our main, secure, web based means of communication with the community. The MAT website will be the external overview. It has been a long time to get to this point and by no means has it been ideal. I thank you for your patience and support through some of the changes that we have made this year.

Have an amazing weekend.

Kindest regards

Richard Machin

Headteacher

**MEMORY WALK – WALKING FOR A WORLD WITHOUT DEMENTIA**

Gurjeevan and Ravi Bhabra from Year 5 are taking part in a 9km walk this Sunday in Leicester. The walk has been organised by the Alzheimer's Society and will see thousands of people walking across England, Wales and Northern Ireland at the same time to raise money to help in the fight against Dementia.

Gurjeevan and Ravi are walking in memory of their Grandma who passed away nearly two years ago and suffered with Dementia for a number of years. Any donations for this worthy cause will be greatly appreciated. Just leave your donation in an envelope with your name on it – so we know who to thank – at the school office. Many thanks for your support.

**SECONDARY ADMISSIONS**

All Year 6 parents should have received their leaflet on how to apply for their child's Secondary school place. The deadline for applications is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2016. If you are unable to apply online, please call the school office for a paper copy.

**PRIMARY ADMISSIONS**

If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2012 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2013 you can apply to [www.coventry.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.coventry.gov.uk/schooladmissions). Nursery parents will have received a leaflet on how to apply for their Primary School place. The deadline for applications is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2017. If you experience problems on-line the school office has a small amount of paper copies.