

Newsletter

Dearest Parents,

This week we have been looking at our final value, DISCIPLINE. The bridge between your goals and how to achieve them. The ultimate goal of us at school and home is to teach our children self-discipline. We challenged Mr. Fitzhugh to a rowing challenge and put him through his paces..... but most importantly, have tried to explain to children WHY this value is so important and how we can all do our bit to help each other achieve a healthy self-discipline in our lives.

Self-discipline helps children delay gratification, resist unhealthy temptations, and tolerate the discomfort sometimes needed to reach their long-term goals. From choosing to turn off the video game to work on homework, to resisting an extra cookie when Mum and Dad isn't looking, self-discipline is the key to helping our children become responsible adults.

It's important to give children the skills they need to develop self-discipline as well as an opportunity to practice making good choices and we have been encouraging the children to show these all week.

We can also help at home as good after-school routine teaches our children how to divide their time between chores, homework, and fun activities. (It is also a proven fact that children who have regular chores do better at school and beyond – so the sooner we can give children jobs around school and home – the better.) And a consistent bedtime routine will help children settle down and fall asleep faster.

By keeping these routines simple. And with practice, our child will learn to implement the routine without our assistance.

Children learn best by watching adults and they very quickly pick up our habits. So we try to make it a priority to model self-discipline, particularly in the areas where children might struggle with self-discipline the most. Our eating habits, how we talk to each other, our social media and phone use, doing jobs around the house and school, tidying up our mess, taking time to talk to each other, READING, exercise and taking on our own personal challenges all have a significant impact on our children and how they develop their own self-discipline, healthy habits and become adults that thrive!

Self-discipline is a process that takes years to hone and refine. Any time our children are learning a new skill or gaining more independence, we need to help them do so one small step at a time.

Have a great weekend.
Kindest regards

Richard Machin
Headteacher

Ground Force Day – Saturday 17th May – 9 am to 4 pm – It has been great to welcome back Mrs. Schofield this week and it didn't take us long to start getting preparations in place ready for our day. We spent a very soggy morning coppicing the willow to make an entrance for the outside classroom that is coming very soon. Thank you to parents that have volunteered to help, we still need lots more to really make this happen. Please come to see me or the office team if you need any more information or to sign-up.

Squirrels Club Bookings - Summer 1

Bookings are open on Frog for Squirrels Club provision for Summer 1 covering dates between 29th April 2019 - 24th May 2019

As a reminder, the timings and cost of Squirrels Club are as follows:


Breakfast Club (7:45 until 8:45) - £3.00 per child/per session

Afterschool Club (15:30 until 17:30) - £6.00 per child/per session for the eldest child - £5.40 per child/per session for siblings of the eldest child.

EPIC Academy Holiday Scheme

EPIC Academy are running a holiday scheme that is a cost effective childcare solution for children aged 4-12. All activities provided on their holiday scheme are designed to be an extension of school life, where the school day is mirrored and the child's learning, creativity and health is enhanced. There will be a variety of activities provided ranging from sport, drama, music, dance, science, arts & crafts and team building.

The holiday scheme is being ran here at Finham Primary School on 23/04/2019 to 26/04/2019 between 8am and 5pm. For prices and booking information please visit <https://www.epiccamps.com/camp/finham-primary-week-2/>



The poster features the EPIC Academy logo at the top. Below it, a paragraph describes the scheme as a cost-effective childcare solution for children aged 4-12, designed to extend school life. A list of activities includes Sport, Drama, Music, Dance, Science, Arts & Crafts, and Team Building, each with a corresponding icon. The location is listed as Finham Primary School, Green Lane, Coventry, CV3 6EJ. The dates are 23/04/2019 - 26/04/2019, and the time is 8:00am - 5:00pm. At the bottom, there is contact information: a website (WWW.EPICCAMPS.COM) and an email (sam@epic-academy.co.uk). Social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram are also present, with handles EPICAcademyUK, EPIC_Academy_UK, and EPIC_Academy_UK respectively.

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Year 6 Leavers Hoodies

Just a reminder to Year 6 parents that if you wish your child to have a Leavers Hoodie please complete the reply slip indicating your child's size and making payment of £15 by Parentpay. There are a few parents who have paid but we haven't received the reply slip. If you are unsure which size, we have sample Hoodies in the school office to try on. There are copies of the letter in the school office. The deadline is **Friday, 3rd May, 2019.**

Lost Property

We have accumulated a large amount of lost property this term, please come to the school office to check if you are missing any of your children's items. Any lost property remaining by next Thursday will be recycled.

Swimming

Year 3 will be starting swimming lessons after Half Term on **Wednesday, 1st May**. Please ensure that you have completed the slip and made payment on Parentpay.

Diary Dates

Tuesday, 9th April – Year 2 & 3 Production – 2 pm

Wednesday, 10th April Year 2 & 3 Production – 6 pm

Thursday, 11th April Year 4 Trip to Twycross Zoo

Friday, 12th April – Teacher Training Day

Tuesday, 30th April – Year 6 Parent Information Evening for Pembrokeshire Trip – 5 pm