

# Newsletter

## DIARY DATES

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> January – Year 4 Swimming

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> January – Reception Inspire Workshop (via FROG)

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> January – Nursery Inspire Workshop (via FROG)

Dear Parents

Happy New Year 2022 everybody! We hope you had a lovely festive break. At the start of the New Year we look forward to seeing our children meeting new challenges, achieving their goals and building on the successes of 2021.



As the weather is changeable at the moment, please ensure your child has warm clothes in school. The children need fresh air and exercise during the day so the children will be going outside in a variety of weathers and therefore need appropriate clothes and footwear.

Mrs Bracken  
Headteacher

### **HIRING OF FACILITIES AT FINHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Here at Finham Primary we have lots of facilities we are able to hire out to the public. If you are interested or know of any body who wishes to hire out our facilities please contact the main office (024 76415425) for an application form and price list. Rooms available for hire are classrooms, main hall, dining room & school field

### **FREE SCHOOL MEALS**

Are you entitled to Free School Meals? Entitlement to Free School Meals are processed as part of Housing Benefit/Council Tax Support claims by the Benefits Service. Free School Meals are a statutory benefit. Applying for a free school meal could raise up to an extra £1320 per annum for six years for your child's school (funded by central government). This can help to fund valuable teaching and learning support for school (and is still paid to the school even if your entitlement ceases). All children in Reception to Year 2 automatically receive a free school meal. However, if your family also meets the eligibility criteria to enable a free school meal to be awarded (see attached), it is important to make an application in order that your child's school can receive this pupil premium. It takes less than two minutes to apply and submit your application.

[https://www.coventry.gov.uk/info/54/benefits/168/free\\_school\\_meals/2](https://www.coventry.gov.uk/info/54/benefits/168/free_school_meals/2)

## **RECEPTION SEPTEMBER 2022**

If your child was born between 1st September 2017 and 31st August 2018 you are now able to apply on-line at [www.coventry.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.coventry.gov.uk/schooladmissions) for your child's Reception place for September 2022. If you have problems applying on-line please contact the school office for a paper copy. **The deadline for making your application is 15th January 2022.**

## **MENTAL HEALTH – PARENT WORKSHOPS**

Here at Finham Primary we recognise the importance of good mental health, for all members of our school community, now more than ever. This term we are working with Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Primary Mental Health Team (PMHT) as part of their Enhanced Project.

Anne-Marie Brown from PMHT will be in school one day a week for the Spring term. She will be working closely with staff and children to increase understanding around key mental health issues and how best to support them.

Anne-Marie is also offering parent workshops via Zoom. Each workshop will be delivered twice, once in the morning and once after-school, so that as many parents as possible can access the workshops. Although it would be great if you could attend them all, you can pick and choose the workshops that you attend:

### **Introduction to Mental Health**

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 9.30am-11.00am and Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 3.30pm-5.00pm

### **Understanding Emotions**

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 9.30am-11.00am and Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 3.30pm-5.00pm

### **Mood**

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 9.30am-11.00am and Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 3.30pm-5.00pm

### **Self-esteem**

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March 9.30am-11.00am and Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March 3.30pm-5.00pm

The links for the Zoom workshops will be sent out in an email, approximately one week before the workshop. If there are any problems, or you do not receive the link, please contact the school office.

This is a fantastic opportunity and we would urge you to attend, if possible.

## **PRINCETHORPE COLLEGE**

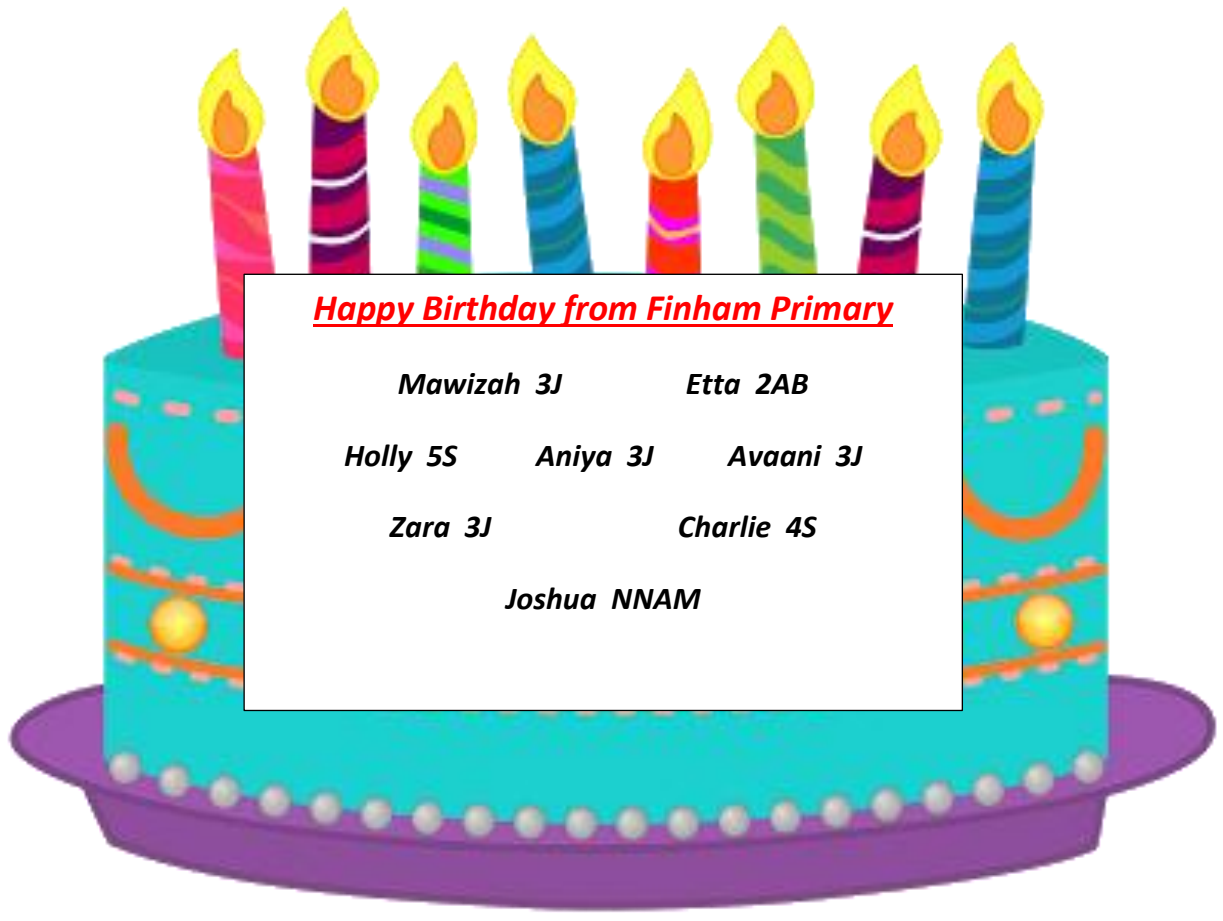
**Year 5 Choral Fun Day – Saturday 15 January 2022 – 9.00am to 4.30pm and Year 5 Try Tag Rugby Taster – Friday 21 January 2022 – 4.15pm to 6.00pm**

We are holding two events in the New Year for Year 5 children. Our annual *Year 5 Choral Fun Day* on Saturday 15 January between 9.00am and 4.30pm, is a day of free musical activities, singing tuition and team-building skills ending with a gala performance and refreshments for family and friends.

Our *Try Tag Rugby Taster* on Friday 21 January between 4.15pm and 6.00pm is aimed at those interested in attending a training session on our astroturf, learning new skills and making friends. Aimed at girls and boys, the afternoon will finish with a mini tournament and refreshments for spectators.

Spaces for both events are limited and will be booked on a first come, first served basis. You can access a booking form by [clicking a link here](#) or by going to the Admissions page on our website and clicking on the 'Visit the School' tab.

Should you have questions regarding these events or the Year 7 admissions process for September 2023, please contact the Admissions Team on 01926 634201, 262 or 297 or by email at [admissions@princethorpe.co.uk](mailto:admissions@princethorpe.co.uk)



**Happy Birthday from Finham Primary**

***Mawizah 3J***

***Etta 2AB***

***Holly 5S***

***Aniya 3J***

***Avaani 3J***

***Zara 3J***

***Charlie 4S***

***Joshua NNAM***