

Newsletter

Diary Dates

Monday 9th October – Hats on for Mental Health - £1 Donation – Wear a Hat / Headgear!

Tuesday 10th October - Bike Ability-Year 6

Tuesday 10th October – Swimming Lessons – Year 4

Wednesday 11th October – Year 6 Inspire Workshop - 9am – 10am

Friday 13th October – Nursery Inspire Workshop – 2:50pm – 3:30pm

Dear All,

I would like to say what a fantastic start our pupils have made to the new school year. Not only have our children started the year eager to learn and do well but most children have been excellent examples of our school values: teamwork, respect, integrity, enjoyment and discipline. This makes our school community such a wonderful place to be part of. We place a strong emphasis on rewards and privileges for children who set good examples with their behaviour. I look forward to Friday morning assembly to celebrate with these children.

UPPER PHASE NEWSLETTER

It has been an exciting time in Year 4 as they have been doing a lot of work outside this week. The children have been treated to a fire outside. They gathered around to tell stories and share their thoughts about what they had heard. Additionally, the Year 4 children went outside and used charcoal to try and replicate cave paintings. They were given lots of inspiration before they went off to experiment with different designs.

Year 5 have been putting their creative skills to the test this week. They had to work together in teams to solve puzzles and challenges to enable them to leave an escape room. This has been inspired by our new class English story, *Escape Room* by Christopher Edge. It is an excellent read and one we all recommend. Additionally, Year 5 turned cardboard boxes into underwater landscapes; using items they brought from home or resources provided by school. This activity was inspired by the book they have been reading called, *Malamander* by Thomas Taylor.

Children in Year 6 have continued their cycle proficiency training and thankfully no rained could spoil their fun this week. It's an important skill which we are proud to give children at Finham Primary the opportunity to learn. All the children are fully engaged with the activities and the instructors have been impressed with the children's attitude and maturity towards the topic. Some children with no previous cycling experience have come on leaps and bounds and are now enjoying the benefits of their newfound life skill.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING – THANK YOU!

Thank you so much for all of your wonderful cake donations for last week's Macmillan Coffee Morning! It was lovely to see so many of you attend the event, which is such a worthy cause. Once we know the final amount raised, we will share this with you. Many thanks, Mrs Francioso and Miss Walker

BOOK BAGS

Starting from Monday 9th October the price of bookbags will increase to £7.

SCHOOL EVENT – TUESDAY 10TH OCTOBER

Hats on for Mental Health to recognise World Mental Health Day

Your child can wear a Hat / Headgear along with their normal school uniform for a donation of £1.

PARENT COMMUNICATION SYSTEM – WEDUC-‘REACH MORE PARENTS’

We have been made aware that some parents/carers are not receiving information on the new app, we have found this is due to the notifications being switched off on your devices. Please can you ensure all notifications are switched on for the app as this is how we keep you update with events / trips / important dates & information etc. We have uploaded 3 forms on the app which need completing for all children:

- Internet Consent Form
- Home School Agreement Form
- School Trip Consent Form

If you have not downloaded the app yet please download this asap, If you have problems setting yourself, please come to the school office.

VOICE 21

We are delighted to announce that this year we are working with Voice 21, the national oracy education charity, to develop our students' oracy (speaking and listening) skills. In school, oracy is a powerful tool for learning; by teaching students to become more effective speakers and listeners we empower them to find their voice for success in school and life. It underpins young people's progress and development: their literacy and numeracy, academic attainment, wellbeing, confidence and future prospects in further or higher education and employment.

Voice 21 works with over 900 schools across the country with a mission to transform students' learning and life chances through talk. We will be working with their expert team to develop a high-quality oracy education across our school life, including our culture, curriculum, and teaching and learning.

For updates on our oracy work please check our website. For further information on Voice 21 please visit www.voice21.org



RSHE FEEDBACK

Thank you to all the parents and carers that attended our 'drop in' evening. We value parental feedback about our RSHE curriculum so we invite all parents to complete this short survey about RSHE at Finham.

<https://forms.gle/4Us8mwAyNZ3d1kXA9>

SQUIRRELS CLUB

Bookings for Autumn 2 covering 6th November to 22nd December are now open

Before school (£4.00 per child, per session) - <https://forms.gle/1edVmCR9CXcKuHkN6>

After school (£7.50 per child, per session [£7.00 sibling discount]) -

<https://forms.gle/Tw8SY6sGwGLYUvQx7>

Booking forms have been added to The Hub on the Reach More Parents app so any future booking can be made that way, or you can email me with the dates that you require.

PARENTAL RIGHT TO WITHDRAWAL FROM RSHE

The school is committed to working with parents. Under the Education Act 1993 pupils can be withdrawn by their parents from part of RSHE that is outside the compulsory elements of RSHE contained in the Science National Curriculum. There is only one lesson that falls outside of our statutory framework is one lesson in Year Six, that you can withdraw your child from. If you would like to opt out of this please let us know by Monday 16th October 2023.

PROSPECTIVE RECEPTION & NURSERY OPEN MORNING

If your child is eligible to start in Reception and Nursery September 2024 we are holding an Open Morning on Saturday, 14th October between 10 am – 12 Noon. You and your child will have the chance to meet with the Teachers. We will also give a tour of the school. If you would like to attend the Open Morning, please contact the school office or email admin@finhamprimary.co.uk.

WEST MIDLANDS POLICE – FREE ONLINE WORKSHOP TO HELP KEEP YOUR CHILDREN SAFE ONLINE

FREE online workshop for parents and carers to help keep their **children safe online**. Hosted by West Midlands Police in partnership with Coventry City Council’s Prevent Team. The following topics will be explored:

- Apps & appropriate ages – Safety settings – Grooming, sexting, bullying, radicalisation and extremism – Gaming – Introducing house rules – How to approach conversations and what to do if your child is a victim.

To view dates and times and to book a place, please [Right Click this link and Open](#)

PTA EVENT

Friday 20th October - Finham’s New Family Welcome Event - Open to Nursery and Reception parents and their children! (Siblings welcome but they will need a ticket) - Tickets are free from the office – Please note that a ticket per adult and sibling is required for the office.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

NNAM- 91.7%	RM- 94.3%
NNPM- 96.7%	RL- 91.8%
1W – 97.8%	4L- 98%
1B – 95.9%	4J- 96%
2S- 98.3%	5B-96.1%
2B- 99%	5R-98.8%
3W-99.3%	6T-99.3%
3S-97.4%	6R – 98.7%

PE DAYS – Please ensure your child wears the correct PE uniform on the correct day.

Monday	Year 1 – Ball Skills Year 2 – Ball Skills Year 4 – Gymnastics
Tuesday	Year 3 – Gymnastics Year 4 – Swimming Year 5 – Gymnastics Year 6 – Cycling Proficiency
Wednesday	Year 5 – Invasion Games Year 6 – Gymnastics
Thursday	Year 1 – Gymnastics Year 3 – Invasion Games
Friday	Year 2 – Gymnastics

Please can children wear their PE kit to school on PE days (except Reception)

1. Plain white T-shirt or white t-shirt with Finham Primary logo
2. Plain navy blue or black shorts
3. Plain navy blue or black joggers
4. Plain navy blue or black leggings
5. White Socks
6. Black trainers/pumps (that fit well)
7. Plain navy jumper
8. Navy Hoodie with Finham Primary logo

PLEASE ENSURE YOU LABEL ALL ITEMS WITH YOUR CHILD’S NAME

PLEASE CAN CHILDREN NOT WEAR LOGOED SPORTS WEAR

THIS SCHOOL IS
NUT FREE





Happy Birthday from Finham Primary

Emily – 1B

Naveen – 6R

Divith – 4J

Kai – 3W

Dilpreet – 1B

Cevdet – 3W

Samveda – 6R

Archie – 3S

Henry – 5R

Zayan – 2B

Arjun – 1B

Ariya – 1W

Nizar – 1W

Nehan – 6T