

Diary Dates

Tuesday 16th January – 9am – Year 2 Inspire Workshop

Tuesday 16th January – Year 4 Swimming Lessons

Wednesday 17th January – 9am – Year 5 Inspire Workshop

Wednesday 17th January – 6pm – PTA Meeting – All welcome

Dear Parents

Happy New Year! I hope you had a good Christmas and managed to spend some treasured time with loved ones. It was wonderful to welcome the children back on Wednesday and it's like they've never been away. We've hit the ground running thinking about our dreams and goals for this coming term.

Attendance

This term we will continue to work tirelessly to improve attendance. Attendance for the Autumn Term was amazing until the last few weeks, where we understandably took a real hit due to illness. If your child is unwell, please contact the school office first thing in the morning. If you need any help or information related to school attendance, please contact Miss Walker Learning Mentor.

Have a lovely weekend! See you all on Monday for another great week.

Sarah Bracken

LOWER PHASE NEWSLETTER

2024 has got off to a great start in the lower phase and I've been really pleased with how well the children have returned to school. Despite it only being a 3-day week, the classes have still managed to fill their week with lots of exciting learning!

The start of a new term, brings the launch of new texts and topics. In Year 1, the children have blasted off into space and started their work on 'Man on the Moon (a day in the life of Bob)' They have also enjoyed their RE lessons where they have been learning about sacred places.

Year 2 started the year by reflecting on 2023 and setting themselves targets and goals for the new year. Some children want to improve their handwriting, some want to get better at their times tables and others want to try and keep their bedroom tidy! Year 2 also read the story of 'Lila and the Secret of Rain' which follows the story of a girl from Kenya who tries her hardest to make it rain.

Over the Christmas holiday, the year 3 children were given a homework task to complete a project based on the Ancient Egyptians. Mrs Ski and Miss Smith were thoroughly impressed with the hard work and effort that went into the projects and have proudly displayed them in their classrooms.

Miss Beale

Lower phase leader

EMOTIONAL REGULATION PARENT WORKSHOP - Tuesday 20th February 9.00am-10.00am

Tania Wagstaff from Autism Specialists will be running a workshop for parents on the subject of supporting your child to regulate their emotions. This is open to all parents, regardless of whether your child has a diagnosis of Autism, or not, as this is something that all children can find difficult at some point in their lives. Tania works very closely with the school and has a wealth of knowledge to share, so it would be great to see as many parents as possible. For parents who are unable to attend, we will make sure that any materials are shared after the workshop. The workshop will be held in Squirrels. Please come to the Squirrels' entrance at 9.00am.



AMERICAN THEMED MEAL – THURSDAY 18TH JANUARY

Just a reminder that we are having an American Themed Menu on Thursday, 18th January. If your child is currently having a school meal they will receive this meal. If your child is currently packed lunch and you would like your child to receive this meal, please email admin@finhamprimary.co.uk with your **Child's Name** and **Class** and whether they would like **BEEF BURGER** OR **VEGGIE BURGER**. If your child is in Nursery All day, Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 you will need to make payment of £2.40 on Parentpay.

SMART WATCHES

This is just another reminder regarding smart watches. For the safety of staff, pupils, and those that visit the school; pupils and staff are not allowed to wear watches that have cameras on them. Pupils are allowed to wear standard watches without a camera. Please can parents/guardians check that any watches that children wear do not have any form of camera on them? We thank you for your understanding.

NURSERY APPLICATIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

If your child was born between 1st September 2020 to 31st August 2021 you are able to apply for your child to attend Finham's Nursery. Please complete a Nursery application on Finham Primary's website or collect a form from the school office. The deadline for receiving the Nursery application is 31st January, 2024. If you could indicate whether you would like your child to attend either Mornings, Afternoons or all day (30 hours). We will then let you contact you by March 2024.

RECEPTION APPLICATION

If your child was born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020 you can apply online at www.coventry.gov.uk/schooladmissions or by phone by calling 02476 975445 by 15th January 2024.

OUTDOOR, PLAY and LEARNING

We are having small world resources drive to support the Outdoor Play and Learning (OPAL) Primary Programme at our school! Through this programme, we are working to improve outdoor play at our school by offering more opportunities for creative, child-led play and learning.

We want to create many opportunities for small world resources that our students can use during outdoor play times. This collection drive will be focussed on:

Dressing up (including hats, gloves etc), Marbles, Small/large Balls, Trucks, cars, diggers etc, small or larger buckets, Jugs, plates, bowls, cutlery etc, Pans, Pots, Watering cans, Baskets, bags, Cuddly toys, Dinosaurs, Buggies, Dolls, Play houses/castles etc, Lego/building blocks

Please bring any items to the school office. If you have any queries regarding this, please email admin@finhamprimary.co.uk Thank you for your support in this, we will be sending more information out about the OPAL programme when we start to implement it in school. Mr Tickle



PTA MESSAGE

The PTA are holding their next meeting on Wednesday 17th January at 6pm – Everyone is welcome to come!



WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

NNAM -94.9%	RM-95%
NNPM -83.3%	RL- 95%
1W -94.8%	4L-96.7%
1B - 95.8%	4J- 84.9%
2S - 95.6%	5B- 99%
2B - 98.9%	5R- 98%
3W -100%	6T -92.2%
3S - 94.4%	6R - 100%

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

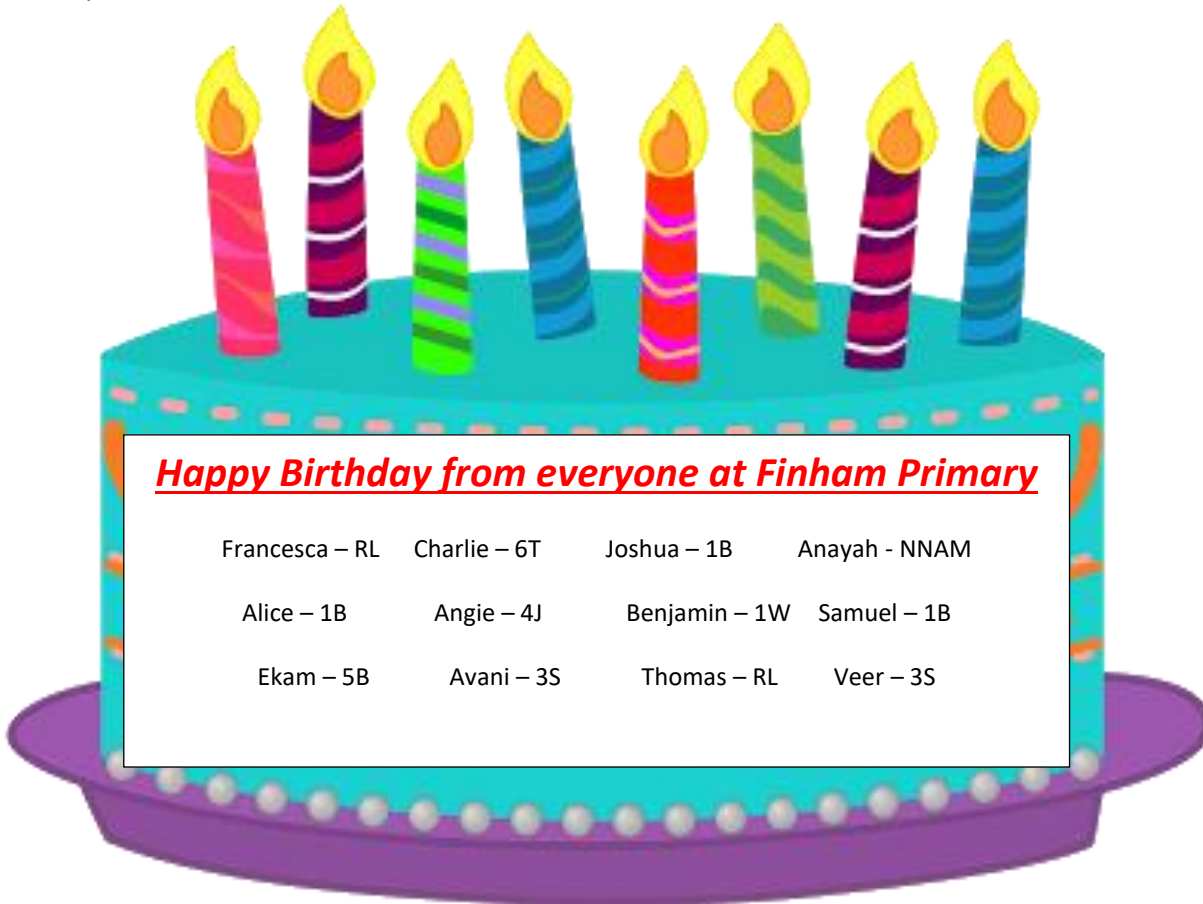
Monday	Year 1 – Dance Year 2 – Understanding Games Year 4 – Dance
Tuesday	Year 3 – Invasion Games Year 4 – Swimming Year 5 – Dance
Wednesday	Year 5 – OAA Year 6 – Dance
Thursday	Year 1 – Understanding Games Year 3 – Dance Year 6 – Invasion Games
Friday	Year 2 – Dance

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



Happy Birthday from everyone at Finham Primary

Francesca – RL	Charlie – 6T	Joshua – 1B	Anayah - NNAM
Alice – 1B	Angie – 4J	Benjamin – 1W	Samuel – 1B
Ekam – 5B	Avani – 3S	Thomas – RL	Veer – 3S

THIS SCHOOL IS
NUT FREE

