

Dear All,

I would like to say what a fantastic start our pupils have made to the new school year, The term seems to be flowing by and I can't believe we only have three weeks left before half term. 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.

Sarah Bracken  
Head Teacher

## Diary Dates

### **Monday 7th October**

- Year 1 – Toy Day

### **Tuesday 8th October**

- Year 6 – Cycling Proficiency

### **Wednesday 9th October**

- 9am – Year 6 Inspire Workshop

- Year 4 - Swimming Lessons

- Nursery – 2:45pm -3:30pm –  
Inspire Workshop

### **Thursday 10th October**

- World Mental Health Day –

Everyone wear yellow 🧡🧡

## MRS SARGENT LEAVING

We would like to say thank you for the huge impact Mrs Sargent had at Finham Primary School, she is moving on to a new role and we will miss her lots but wish her good luck in her new position.

We have great news that Mrs Hands is taking over her role so we know the role will be in in good 'hands!' 😊

## LOWER PHASE NEWSLETTER

This week's value is enjoyment and there has been lots of exciting learning taking place in year 1, 2 and 3!

Year 2 have started their new text 'The Selfish Giant' and have enjoyed using drama and story maps to recall the main events of the story. They have also enjoyed exploring different habitats in the local area to discover what plants and animals live there.

Yesterday, year 1 made the most of the lovely weather and went on a local area walk. On their walk, they looked at different homes to compare the features of houses to the features of our school.

The children in year 3 have been enjoying their history work on Ancient Egypt and last Wednesday, they had a fantastic Egyptian day to learn more about the topic. The children enjoyed making papyrus paper, learning about mummification and hearing ancient Egyptian stories.

Whilst we are the subject of enjoyment, Mr Millard has been enjoying doing lots of running over the last few months to prepare for his second marathon and on Sunday, he will be taking part in the Chester Marathon. Good luck Mr Millard!!

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## FROG ISSUES

We have been made aware that Frog is currently experiencing technical issues which they are trying to rectify. We will send a message out once this issue has been resolved.

## SCHOOL MEAL PRICE INCREASE

From Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November school meal prices will be increasing to £2.60 a day. If you wish to start or stop your child's meal please come to the school office to complete the relevant form. Thank you

## STARTING SCHOOL?

Children born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021 can start school in September 2025. You can find out all you need to know about school admissions and apply online from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024 at [Coventry.gov.uk/school](http://Coventry.gov.uk/school) admissions or you can telephone School Admissions on **02476 975445**

**Apply online by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

## STARTING SECONDARY SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2025

Apply online at [www.coventry.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.coventry.gov.uk/schooladmissions) by 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024 for children born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2013 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2014.

31<sup>st</sup> October 2024 – Closing date for all applications

31<sup>st</sup> December 2024 – If you move house before the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024 you MUST contact the School Admissions Team to update your address

3<sup>rd</sup> March 2025 – Result emailed by 5pm or details available in your online account

5<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – Parents who submitted a paper application will receive the result by letter

For any queries call School Admissions on **02476 975445**

## FINHAM'S ECO CLUB TOP TIPS FOR SAVING ELECTRICITY/ENERGY

- Walk to school more
- Turn off devices when you are not using them
- Turn off lights when you are not there
- Turn off your car when you are not driving it or you are waiting to pick up your child from school!
- Don't use radiators in summer



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## **HARVEST FESTIVAL**

From 7<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> October we are doing a Harvest Collection for the Coventry Food Bank. This year, we are going to have a competition between classes. Please bring in donations during this week.

### **Items currently needed:**

- Cereal
- UHT Long Life Milk
- Fruit Juice or Squash
- Instant Mash Potato
- Tinned Tomatoes
- Biscuits

**No water, fruitshoot-type drinks, Fizzy Pop or alcohol.**

Please ensure all donated items are long dated.

Sadly, we are receiving a small quantity of donations that are out of date and cannot be used.

## **PAPER PLATES ROAD SAFETY SIGN COMPETITION**

Your child will be coming home with a paper plate today, the City Council are running a competition to design the best road safety signs on a paper plate. The winning entries will be used around the city as road signs. Please could you return your design by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October, thank you.

## **ELITE DANCE ACADEMY – HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES**

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November – Age 5-12 years – Time 09:00am – 3pm – Price: £13.50

Woodside Avenue Methodist Church CV3 6BE. To book please visit [bookwhen.com/elitedanceacademy](http://bookwhen.com/elitedanceacademy) or contact

Jade: 07708855821 email: [elite.academy@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:elite.academy@hotmail.co.uk)

## **WEEKLY ATTENDANCE – OVERALL 97.2%**

Nursery- 89.41%	3L- 96.13%
RM- 97.59%	4J- 94.67%
RL- 97.00%	4S- 98.06
1W- 94.33%	5B- 94.22%
1B- 95.67%	5R- 100%
2B- 100%	6T- 100%
2W- 95.54%	6R- 98.79%
3R- 97.93%	

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

Monday	Reception - Athletics Year 1 – Gymnastics Year 6 - Gymnastics
Tuesday	Year 3 – Gymnastics Year 1 – Invasion Games Year 4 – Gymnastics Year 6 – Cycling Proficiency
Wednesday	Year 2 – Ball Skills Year 4 – Swimming Lessons (Xcel) Year 5 - Gymnastics
Thursday	Year 2 - Gymnastics Year 5 – Ball Skills Year 3 – Invasion Games
Friday	Reception – 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**

