

Dear Parents

We are now fully immersed into the academic year and it's wonderful to see the progress the children have made and the enthusiasm they are putting into their learning. Thank you to all the children who took part in the paper plate road safety competition. It has been impossible to judge so I'm taking the finalists to Mark Bailie our CEO to make the final decision today and I'll let you know the outcome next week.

I had the privilege to go to The Royal Opera House on Tuesday with Miss Rowlands. We went to receive an award celebrating 10 Years of Create and Dance. There are only 10 schools in the country who have ever received the award and its fantastic to be one of them. I would like to say a special thanks to Mr Tickle who through his hard work and dedication made this possible.

Have a wonderful weekend

Mrs Bracken

UPPER PHASE NEWSLETTER

Year 4 has engaged in a variety of enriching activities. In PSHE, students have been exploring strategies to build self-esteem, a vital skill that will aid them in overcoming future challenges. During PE, they focused on developing floor skills in gymnastics, enhancing their physical agility and coordination. Additionally, in Computing, children participated in the Hour of Code, where they designed, wrote, and debugged programs, honing their resilience and logical thinking in the process.

This week, Year 5 has been learning in their numeracy lessons to focus on mental calculations for addition and subtraction. They practised solving reasoning-based problems presented in diverse formats. In Design Technology, students recapped their understanding of electrical circuit symbols and then collaboratively planned and designed a working circuit for a car alarm. Some groups demonstrated additional innovation by incorporating lighting as an extra security feature and exploring various methods for securing the wiring so it would not be in the driver's way.

Year 6 has been delving into a range of engaging topics. In numeracy, students have built on their understanding of long division by tackling the division of 2-digit numbers, including practical worded problems. Additionally, they revisited key vocabulary related to multiplication and division, collaboratively solving problems as a class and independently. In science, children planned a shadow investigation to test how distance affects shadow size. Furthermore, in PSHE, in recognition of World Mental Health Day, students explored ways to enhance mental and physical well-being by creating informative posters for a display in the hall.

WATERPROOF COATS

We are noticing lots of children are bringing coats into school which are not waterproof, we aim to take the children out in all weathers so please can you ensure your child brings a waterproof coat into school every day as the weather is always changing.

HARVEST FESTIVAL COLLECTION

Thank you to all the families who donated to the Harvest Festival Collection for Coventry Foodbank. Reception were the overall winners! If you are still wishing to donate, the last date for bringing in donations is Monday morning.

Diary Dates

Tuesday 15th October

- Year 6 – Cycling Proficiency

Wednesday 16th October

- Year 4 - Swimming Lessons

- 9am – Year 4 – Inspire Workshop

Thursday 17th October

- Year 6 – Oakerwood Residential

Friday 18th October

- 2pm – 3:30pm – Reception Only –
Autumn Fayre



PARENT EVENINGS

Parents evening will be taking place **IN PERSON** this term on the below dates & times.

Please follow the link to book your time slot. If you have any problems please contact the school office. The deadline to book your appointment will be **5pm Friday 18th October 2024**. <https://finhamprimary.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

When logging in details must match the details we have in school.

Wednesday 23rd October & Thursday 24th October

Class	Day	Time
Nursery	Tuesday 22nd & Thursday 24 th	3:50pm–7pm (Tuesday) 2pm-5.30pm (Thursday)
RM	Wednesday & Thursday	4pm – 7pm
RL	Wednesday & Thursday	3.40pm – 5pm (Wednesday) 4pm-7pm (Thursday)
1B	Wednesday & Thursday	4pm – 7pm
1W	Wednesday & Thursday	4pm – 7pm
2B	Wednesday & Thursday	4pm – 7pm
2W	Wednesday & Thursday	4pm – 7pm
3R	Wednesday & Thursday	4pm – 7pm
3L	Wednesday & Thursday	4pm – 7pm
4S	Wednesday & Thursday	4pm – 7pm
4J	Wednesday & Thursday	4pm – 7pm
5B	Wednesday & Thursday	4pm – 7pm
5R	Wednesday & Thursday	4pm – 7pm
6T	Wednesday & Thursday	4pm – 7pm
6R	Wednesday & Thursday	4pm – 7pm

LEAVE DURING TERM TIME

As you may be aware the law changed for penalty notices from the 19th August 2024. Please find below further information:

Penalty Notices are requested by schools and issued by the Local Authority to the parents/carers of statutory school age children, per parent, per child. For example: two children in a family absent from school for a leave of absence may result in each parent receiving a Penalty Notice for each child at the below rates.

- First offence - The first time a Penalty Notice is issued the amount will be: £80 per parent, per child paid within 21 days. This increases to £160 per parent, per child if paid after day 21, until day 28. Any non-payment of the Penalty Notice may result in a prosecution.
- Second Offence (within 3 years) - the second time a Penalty Notice is issued the amount will be £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days. Any non-payment of the Penalty Notice may result in a prosecution.
- Third Offence and Any Further Offences (within 3 years) - the third time an offence is committed a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the parent(s) may be prosecuted under section 444(1A) of the Act. Fines could be up to £2500 per parent, per child

Please note the school does not get the fine the council do.

SCHOOL MEAL PRICE INCREASE

From Monday 4th 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

THIS SCHOOL IS
NUT FREE



WEEKLY ATTENDANCE – OVERALL

Nursery- 91.80%	3L- 98.68%
RM- 96.21%	4J- 100%
RL- 92%	4S- 98.71%
1W- 97.67%	5B- 94.83%
1B- 94.67%	5R- 95.63%
2B- 98.75%	6T- 97.27%
2W- 95.81%	6R- 99.09%
3R- 97.59%	

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

Monday	Reception - Athletics Year 1 – Gymnastics Year 6 - Gymnastics	<p>Please can children wear their PE kit to school on PE days, except Reception</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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
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	<p>PLEASE ENSURE YOU LABEL ALL ITEMS WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME</p> <p>PLEASE CAN CHILDREN NOT WEAR LOGOED SPORTS WEAR</p>
Thursday	Year 2 - Gymnastics Year 5 – Ball Skills Year 3 – Invasion Games	
Friday	Reception – Gymnastics	

