

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you had a wonderful summer break. It's fantastic to see the children return so enthusiastically and settle into their new classes with such ease.

The term commenced for all staff on Monday 1st September, during which we dedicated time to reflect on our ongoing journey to deliver excellence for all students. We focused on key areas including safeguarding, personal development, and behaviour, and it was also a delightful opportunity to welcome new members to our Finham Family.

This year, our emphasis will be on Oracy, exploring effective communication and active listening. We will also keep reading at the forefront of our curriculum. Supporting children's reading fluency and comprehension is essential for their lifelong learning, so let's work together in partnership, ensuring that listening to them read remains a priority at home.

Finally, with the weather being quite unpredictable, please ensure your child has suitable clothing in school. We have some spare wellies available, but if they have their own, they are welcome to bring them in.

## Diary Dates

### LOWER PHASE NEWSLETTER

It's been lovely to welcome all the children back into school this week and the year 1, 2 and 3 teachers have been particularly impressed with how the children have understood and managed the new routines and expectations. To start the new school year, each year group selected a picture book to focus on, and throughout the week, the children have enjoyed completing a range of engaging activities linking to this chosen text. The year 1 children have focused on the story 'The Crayons go back to school again' They have explored different colours and thought about what each colour means to them before designing their own crayons to write about. In year 2, the children have explored 'Odd Dog Out' by Rob Biddolph. They had lots of fun following a step-by-step guide to draw their own sausage dog whilst learning about the importance of being proud of themselves. In year 3, the children have been excited to start their new journey into Key Stage Two and have had a great week reading 'Barnaby Unboxed' Yesterday, they used the iPads to create their own mixed-up animals before writing a character description with adjectives and similes.

Miss Beale

### CHANGE OF PERSONAL DETAILS-ie address or mobile number

If you have moved address or changed any of your contact details over the Summer holidays, please email [admin@finhamprimary.co.uk](mailto:admin@finhamprimary.co.uk) with the new details. We must keep your child's records up to in case we have the need to contact you. Also please ensure we have at least two contact names and numbers in case we have to contact you in an emergency. Many thanks

### DUE TO START PRIMARY SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2026

If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022 they are due to start Primary School in September 2026.

You can now apply on line at [coventry.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://coventry.gov.uk/schooladmissions) or call **024 76975445**

Closing date:15<sup>th</sup> January 2026

## **DUE TO START SECONDARY SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2026**

If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2014 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2015 they are due to start Secondary School in September 2026.

You can now apply on line at [coventry.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://coventry.gov.uk/schooladmissions) or call **024 76975445**

Closing date: 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025

## **NEW CATERING COMPANY - ASPENS**

We are pleased to announce from the 1<sup>st</sup> September we have a new catering company – Aspens.

The meal price will increase from the 1<sup>st</sup> of September 2025 to £2.75 per meal.

We will be sending out early next week the menu which will be running for September and October. We welcome them onboard and look forward to your child receiving delicious favourite dishes.

If you would like your child to start school meals from September you must contact the school office to let them know. Many thanks

## **PARKING**

Can we please remind all parents and carers picking up children via cars to be respectful of our local area and residence. It has been brought to our attention that we are seeing a number of cars parked illegally. This may have an impact on our children's safety which is something we take very seriously here at school.

Should parking issues persist or escalate, Coventry City Council may deploy Parking Enforcement Offices to this area. Should you wish to raise any concerns over parking, please contact the below email address:

[cv\\_schools\\_policing\\_team@westmidlands.police.uk](mailto:cv_schools_policing_team@westmidlands.police.uk)

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

Monday	Year 2- Gymnastics Year 4 - Invasion Games (Handball)	<b>Please can all children wear their PE kit to school on PE days</b>
Tuesday	Year 6 - Cycling Proficiency Year 3 – Gymnastics Year 5 – Invasion Games (Netball/Basketball)	
Wednesday	Year 4 – Swimming Xcel Year 5 – Athletics Year 1 - Athletics	Plain white T-shirt or white t-shirt with Finham Primary logo
Thursday	Year 1 – Gymnastics Year 6 – Invasion Games (Netball/Basketball) Year 6 – Striking/Fielding Games/Athletics Year 3 – Invasion Games (Handball)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Plain navy blue or black shorts</li> <li>2. Plain navy blue or black joggers</li> <li>3. Plain navy blue or black leggings</li> <li>4. White Socks</li> <li>5. Black trainers/pumps (that fit well)</li> <li>6. Plain navy jumper</li> <li>7. Navy Hoodie with Finham Primary logo</li> </ol>

**PLEASE ENSURE YOU LABEL ALL ITEMS WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME**



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THIS SCHOOL IS  
**NUT FREE**



