

Dear Parents,

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are now fully immersed in the academic year, and it's wonderful to see the progress the children have made and the enthusiasm they are putting into their learning. A heartfelt thank you to all the children who participated in the paper plate road safety competition; once again, the creativity displayed has made judging quite a challenge. I have entrusted the final decision to Mark Bailie, our CEO, and I will keep you updated on the outcome next week.

This week has been discipline week, and I am pleased to report that your children have shown remarkable determination and responsibility in all aspects of school life. It is truly inspiring to witness their commitment and the positive energy they bring to our community. We have also focused on mental health, with assemblies highlighting the importance of wellbeing. Please encourage them to continue reflecting on their choices and supporting one another as they grow.

Thank you for your continued support.

Warm regards,

Sarah Bracken

Head Teacher

## Diary Dates

### **Tuesday 14th September**

- Bikeability Year 6

### **Wednesday 15th October**

- Swimming lessons Year 4

### **Thursday 16th- Friday 17th October**

- Oakerwood – Year 6

## UPPER PHASE NEWSLETTER

This week, Year 4 has engaged deeply in Religious Education by exploring the question, "What is the spiritual significance of fasting in Muslim worldviews?" Through a variety of sources, students have developed their understanding of this important practice. In English, the children have focused on descriptive writing, culminating in a creative task where they will describe a firework display using fronted adverbials, alongside previously taught skills.

In English, Year 5 students have been exploring the art of writing speech with accompanying actions, using the engaging narrative of "The Escape Room" by Christopher Edge to enhance their skills. In Geography, the children have focused on understanding the impact of land use on the environment by designing their own village based on the school field area. They engaged in thoughtful discussions regarding the potential damage their buildings could inflict on the physical features of the landscape while also identifying key human features.

In history, Year 6 explored the significant contributions of black individuals during World War II, gaining insight into their diverse experiences. Additionally, they investigated the vital role of women during this period, culminating in the creation of informative non-chronological reports. In English, children focused on enhancing their sentence construction skills by revisiting the use of inverted commas and ISPACED techniques, while also experimenting with various sentence types.



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## **MEDICINE IN SCHOOL**

Please could we remind parents that medicine/pain relief should not be put in your child's bag, all medicines must be brought to the school office and a form completed by parents. We are only able to administer medicine if it is prescribed by the doctor. Many thanks

## **ORACY QUESTION OF THE WEEK**

If you could invent any machine what would it do and why?

## **OPEN MORNING FOR PROSPECTIVE PARENTS**

We are pleased to announce we have our open morning for prospective parents being held on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 10:00-12:00. If you are or know anyone interested, please call 02476 415 425 to book an appointment.

## **LOST PROPERTY**

Can we please remind all parents and carers to label all their children's school uniform and personal property. We are seeing a large amount of clothes and items in our lost property area already this term. If your child has lost an items, please come and visit the lost property area outside Squirrels.

## **LUNCH AND SNACKS**

Please can we remind all parents and carers who provide snacks or packed lunches for their children to please cut small fruit and vegetables into half or quarters.

## **FRIDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER DIWALI DAY**

As part of our Diwali Day celebrations on Friday 24th October, children are welcome to come to school dressed in special celebration clothes. This could be traditional outfits such as saris, suits, kurta pyjamas, or lehengas, or party clothes. There is a £1 voluntary contribution to the Finham PTA for wearing non uniform.

If any parents would like to come in to talk about Diwali and how their family celebrate, please speak to your child's teacher

## **COMPLETION OF URGENT FORMS**

Can we please remind all parents and careers that we must have the mandatory forms that were sent out at the start of September completed and returned by the end of next week. The forms are Homeschool Agreement, Internet consent, Photo consent and School trip. If you require these forms being resent, please speak to the school office.

## **WOULD YOU LIKE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT YOUR CHILDREN'S BEHAVIOUR ?**

We have now set a date for part 2 of the understanding your child's behaviour workshop at Finham Primary School. It will be on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October 9:15-11:15.

This two hour workshop is part 2 of our understanding children's behaviour series and will include the power of praise, giving choices and consequences, creating family agreements and boundaries as well as problem solving strategies.

If you were unable to attend session 1, you can still attend session 2.

To book on please email [parenting@coventry.gov.uk](mailto:parenting@coventry.gov.uk)

## **WEEKLY ATTENDANCE**



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<b>Nursery</b>	%	<b>3M</b>	95 %
<b>RT</b>	86 %	<b>4G</b>	97 %
<b>RW</b>	75 %	<b>4R</b>	95 %
<b>1B</b>	94 %	<b>5R</b>	99 %
<b>1L</b>	90 %	<b>5B</b>	97 %
<b>2R</b>	98 %	<b>6S</b>	96 %
<b>2W</b>	92 %	<b>6T</b>	93 %
<b>3B</b>	98 %	<b>Overall</b>	<b>96 %</b>

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

Monday	Year 2- Gymnastics Year 4 - Invasion Games (Handball) Reception - Athletics
Tuesday	Year 6 - Cycling Proficiency Year 3 – Gymnastics Year 5 – Invasion Games (Netball/Basketball) Year 2 – Athletics
Wednesday	Nursery - Gymnastics Year 4 – Swimming Xcel Year 5 – Athletics Year 1 - Athletics
Thursday	Year 1 – Gymnastics Year 6 – Invasion Games (Netball/Basketball) Year 3 – Invasion Games (Handball)
Friday	Reception – Gymnastics Nursery - Gymnastics

**Please can all children wear their PE kit to school on PE days**

Plain white T-shirt or white t-shirt with Finham Primary logo

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

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



***Happy Birthday to everyone who have celebrated a birthday this week!***

**Emily – 3M Valerie – 6S Divith – 6T Kai – 5B**

**Dilpreet – 3B Harleen – 1B Eren – 5R Draco – 2W Archie – 5R**

**Zayan – 4R Johan – 1L Arjun – 3M Ariya – 3B Nizar – 3M**



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