

Dear Parents,

What a wonderful week it has been, marking a great end to the first half term of the school year!

We were thrilled to welcome you to our first parent's evening of the year. It was a fantastic opportunity to connect with each of you and share insights into how your child has settled into their class. The discussions surrounding their progress this term were incredibly encouraging, and it was heartening to see so many of you engaged in your child's education.

As we head into the half term break, I encourage you to take some time to relax and enjoy quality moments with your family. We look forward to seeing all the children back, refreshed and ready for more exciting learning adventures.

Have a wonderful half term!

Warm regards,

Sarah Bracken
Head Teacher

UPPER PHASE NEWSLETTER

This term, Years 4, 5, and 6 have been busy as they settled into their new classes and learned the new expectations of the curriculum and their teachers. There have been so many fun experiences in the past 8 weeks that I'm sure the summer holidays seem a distant memory now. The residential trip for our Year 6 children offered a great chance for them to grow socially, improve resilience and build teamwork skills. They all came back with positive stories to share.

As we near the end of the first half term, it was wonderful to see many of you at Parents' Evening. These meetings allow us to celebrate your children's successes and discuss the next steps for their learning journey. Reading and times tables will be a key part of that journey. It has been great to see so many children and parents engaging with the technology we've put in place to monitor and support the children's progress in these key areas.

As the Phase Leader, it's a pleasure to pop into all Upper Phase classes to see the fantastic work being done. Our dedicated teachers and teaching assistants are working hard to support your children, and they have planned some exciting trips and activities for the next term.

We hope you have a lovely week ahead, making new memories with your children.

Mr Reed

Diary Dates

Wednesday 5th November

- Inspire workshop Year 2 09:00-10:00
- Year 4 swimming 12:30-15:30
- Reception reading afternoon 14:50-15:20

Thursday 6th November

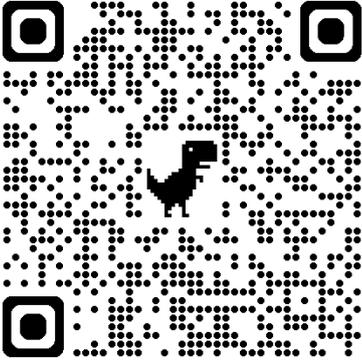
- Year 3 Egyptian day in school



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PARENTAL SURVEY



We've had a fantastic Parents' Evening this week — it was wonderful to see so many families engaging with teachers and learning more about the great progress our students are making. To help us continue building on this success, we'd love to hear your thoughts about our school. Please take a few minutes to complete our **online parental survey** by scanning the **QR code below**. Your feedback is really valuable and helps us to make our school the very best it can be for all our children.

REPORTING A CHILDS ABSENCE

Can we please remind all parents and careers the importance of reporting your child's absence. This must be reported via the weduc app or the absence line before 08:30. Alternatively you can call the office from 08:30. We are seeing a number of children's absences not be reported and this could result in the school doing a home visit.

ORACY QUESTION OF THE WEEK

What are you looking forward to doing over half term?

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.

POPPY APPEAL

When the children return back to school we will have the poppy items for sale in the school office, your child is welcome to bring in money to purchase at breaktimes.

Poppy stickers – 20p

Slap band – £1.50

Reflectors – 50p

Ribbon Wristbands – £1

Rubber wristbands - £1

Paper poppy – 50p

SPARE CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

Do you have any spare Christmas baubles or tress decorations for a year 4 school project. If you can support, please pass to the teacher on the door or hand into the school office.



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WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Nursery	82 %	3M	84 %
RT	93 %	4G	96 %
RW	89 %	4R	92 %
1B	76 %	5R	95 %
1L	88 %	5B	95 %
2R	94 %	6S	81 %
2W	99 %	6T	91 %
3B	96 %	Overall	90 %

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	Please can all children wear their PE kit to school on PE days
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	Plain white T-shirt or white t-shirt with Finham Primary logo
Thursday	Year 1 – Gymnastics Year 6 – Invasion Games (Netball/Basketball) Year 3 – Invasion Games (Handball)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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
Friday	Reception – Gymnastics Nursery - Gymnastics	PLEASE ENSURE YOU LABEL ALL ITEMS WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME



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

We would like to wish all our children who will celebrating their birthdays this week and next week a very Happy Birthday and enjoy half term