

A Warm Welcome to Our Finham Family

Dear All,

As we reflect on the past two terms, we are filled with pride at the achievements our students have made. It's been a wonderful journey filled with growth, learning, and memorable moments. We encourage you to take a moment to celebrate these successes with your children. Here are just a few highlights from our term:

- **Outstanding Behaviour for Learning:** Many students have demonstrated remarkable commitment to their studies, showcasing a positive attitude that inspires their peers.
- **Learning outside the classroom :** From orienteering challenges, planting in the school garden to maths lessons these activities have not only enhanced their skills but also fostered teamwork and creativity.
- **Community Involvement:** We are grateful for the support from parents and the wider community, which has enriched our school environment and provided our students with invaluable experiences.

We invite you to share your reflections on the term with us. What moments stood out for you? Your insights are important as we continue to build a supportive and engaging school community.

## Encouraging Family Reading Time

As we approach the Easter break, we want to remind you of the importance of spending quality time with your children, particularly through reading together. Research shows that parental involvement in literacy significantly boosts children's vocabulary and comprehension skills, laying a strong foundation for their academic success.

To make reading a fun and engaging activity, consider visiting your local library or participating in reading challenges as a family. Here are a few suggestions to enhance your reading time:

- Choose a book series to read together, allowing your child to explore different genres.
- Set up a cosy reading corner at home where you can enjoy stories together.
- Take photos of new and exciting places you have been caught reading.
- Discuss the books you read, encouraging your child to express their thoughts and ideas.

We also encourage you to explore some recommended titles that can spark your child's interest and imagination. Engaging in these activities not only nurtures a love for literature but also strengthens the bond between you and your child.

### Diary Dates

#### Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April

- Return to school

#### Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April

- Year 3 trip to Twycross Zoo

#### Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April

- Vaisakhi Celebration Day all school non uniform



## Looking Ahead to the Summer Term

As we look forward to the summer term, we are excited about the opportunities for further growth and learning. Consistent attendance is crucial during this period, as it ensures continuity in your child's education and the development of essential skills.

We encourage you to prepare for the upcoming term by discussing your child's goals and aspirations. This is a wonderful time to set new challenges and celebrate achievements together. We will be sharing more information about exciting projects and events planned for the summer term, so stay tuned!

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community. Together, we can make a positive impact on our children's educational journey.

### UPPER PHASE NEWSLETTER

This week in geography, Year 4 focused on the learning objective: "How do rivers shape the land?" The children engaged in exploring the processes of erosion, transportation, and deposition, gaining a deeper understanding of how rivers can transform landscapes. Additionally, Year 4 concluded their swimming lessons for the year, showcasing remarkable progress in their swimming abilities. This essential life skill not only opens up future opportunities for the children but also equips them with the confidence to navigate water safely.

In Religious Education, Year 5 delved into the role of Muhammad (PBUH) in Islamic worldviews. The lesson provided a platform for children to share their personal experiences of Eid celebrations, fostering a sense of belonging and understanding. They explored the significance of sacrifice during Eid and drew comparisons with similar practices in other religions. Furthermore, Year 5 visited St Martin's Church, where they learned about the Easter story and its importance within Christianity, enriching their understanding of diverse religious perspectives.

Year 6's Religious Education lesson centred on the Eid celebration, where students examined how individuals express their faith through this significant festival. The children demonstrated respect for one another's experiences and showed a keen interest in further understanding the cultural aspects associated with the religion. In art, students engaged in creating Zentangle artwork, designing intricate patterns inspired by rainforest animals, which allowed them to express their creativity while connecting with nature.

### LUNCH AND SNACK REMINDER

Finham Primary School is proud to be a nut-free school to keep all our children safe, particularly those with severe nut allergies. We kindly ask all parents and carers to carefully check food packaging before sending snacks or packed lunches to school. Please look out not only for products that contain nuts, but also for labels that state "may contain nuts" or "may contain traces of nuts," as these can still pose a serious risk. Your support and vigilance help us maintain a safe and inclusive environment for every child.



## LEAVE REQUEST

This is a kind reminder that if you wish to take your child on holiday or request leave for any reason, a Leave Request Form must be completed and submitted at least two weeks prior to the planned absence. This notice period allows sufficient time for Mrs Bracken to review the request and ensures that the correct registration mark is allocated for your child's absence. You can find the form on Reach More Parents using the link below:

<https://app.weduc.co.uk/forms/index/preview/140737488539995>

We have identified some discrepancies in the travel information that has been previously submitted. To clarify and ensure our records are accurate, we kindly request proof of both outbound and return flights, clearly showing the travel dates when submitting a exceptional leave request for any holidays/leave abroad.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding

## ORACY QUESTION

If you could invent a brand-new school subject, what would it be?

## WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Well done to class 2W on getting 100% attendance this week, let's see who can get the highest attendance next week.



<b>Nursery</b>	87 %	<b>3M</b>	96 %
<b>RT</b>	95 %	<b>4G</b>	94 %
<b>RW</b>	94 %	<b>4R</b>	92 %
<b>1B</b>	95 %	<b>5R</b>	90 %
<b>1L</b>	88 %	<b>5B</b>	95 %
<b>2R</b>	95 %	<b>6S</b>	95 %
<b>2W</b>	97 %	<b>6T</b>	89 %
<b>3B</b>	95 %	<b>Over all</b>	<b>94 %</b>

## COVENTRY HAF

28<sup>TH</sup> March – 12<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Be inspired and try some free activities this school holiday Activities including: archery, coding/gaming, cooking, crafts, dance, media, sports, theatre, trips and more - all with free food.

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For more information visit [coventry.gov.uk/haf](https://coventry.gov.uk/haf) or email [hafprogramme@coventry.gov.uk](mailto:hafprogramme@coventry.gov.uk)

Book now on the QR code below No HAF code require



## JEWELLERY

We have recently noticed that some children are attending school wearing jewellery that is not permitted. Please can we remind all parents and carers to ensure that children only wear items listed below. For safety reasons, all jewellery must be removed for practical activities, including PE lessons and swimming.

If your child cannot remove their own earrings, please ensure they are taken out at home on PE days.

Children are only permitted to wear:

- One pair of stud earrings (no other piercings allowed)
- A sensible wristwatch (smartwatches are not permitted)
- Religious jewellery, which must be covered during practical lessons for safety

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

Monday	Reception - Athletics Year 3 - Striking/Feilding Games Year 1 – Team Building	<b>Please can all children wear their PE kit to school on PE days</b>
Tuesday	Year 3 – Dance Year 4 - Dance Year 2 – Team Building	
Wednesday	Nursery – Athletics/Dance Year 4 – Swimming Xcel Year 5 – Invasion Games Year 6 - Dance	Plain white T-shirt or white t-shirt with Finham Primary logo
Thursday	Reception – Dance Year 5 - Dance Year 6 – Invasion Games	<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>
Friday	Year 2 – Dance Nursery – Athletics /Dance Year 1 – Dance	<b>PLEASE ENSURE YOU LABEL ALL ITEMS WITH YOUR CHILD’S NAME</b>

