

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another incredibly busy week here at Finham Primary, and once again the children have thoroughly amazed me with their boundless energy and enthusiasm. One of my favourite parts of my role is welcoming children to share their work with me and seeing the pride they take in showcasing all they have learned. These moments truly highlight the joy of learning across our school. A huge thank you to Year 4 for organising a fantastic cake sale this week — the cakes were absolutely delicious and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Looking ahead, we have another busy and exciting week coming up. We are delighted to welcome visitors from OPAL, who will be observing all the fantastic activities taking place during lunchtime, as well as a visit from Voice 21 to celebrate the excellent oracy work we have been completing across the school. Please ensure your child has suitable clothing in school so they can join in the fun whatever the weather.

Sarah Bracken

Headteacher

UPPER PHASE NEWSLETTER

This week, Year 4 students showed great entrepreneurial skills by organising a bake sale to raise money for their upcoming school sleepover. The children worked hard, either baking or buying cakes, and managed their stalls well. They helped younger students with their purchases, creating a friendly atmosphere for everyone. The bake sale was a big success, showing the effort and teamwork of the Year 4 class. In Geography, students used atlases to find Italy and its neighbouring countries, as well as important cities like Rome, Milan, and Turin, improving their map-reading skills.

In Computing, Year 5 focused on evaluating digital content, especially about artificial intelligence (AI). The children learned to spot the risks of online images and text, discussing how AI can create misleading information and the methods used to spread false information. This understanding is important in today's digital world as it is becoming harder to tell reality from digital creativity. In Numeracy, students looked at angles, calculating missing angles around a point to make sure the total adds up to 360 degrees. They also practised calculating angles on a straight line and understood that a half turn makes a straight line, using different strategies to solve problems related to angles and lengths in shapes.

Year 6 took part in a helpful Body Image session led by the school nursing team. This discussion is important as students get closer to puberty and are influenced by social media. The session aimed to help children build a positive self-image, resist unrealistic media standards, and reduce risks linked to anxiety, low self-esteem, and eating disorders, promoting overall mental health. In Science, students learned about how fossils form, discovering how they are created and how they have changed over time, which enhances their understanding of natural history.

Diary Dates

Friday 1st May

- Year 1 showing projects to parents 3:15-3:30



YEAR 4 CAKE SALE

A big thank you to our Year 4 parents who kindly baked or provided cakes for our recent cake sale. Your generosity and effort made the event such a success.

We would also like to thank all the parents who gave money to their children to take part— it was lovely to see pupils from across the school enjoying and supporting the sale.

Thanks to your support, we are delighted to share that we raised over £500!

PARKING

We would like to raise a concern about parking around the school during drop off and pick up times. We have been informed that recently vehicles have been blocking resident's driveways, restrict access and making it difficult for residents to leave their homes. We understand that these times can be busy, however can we please remind all to be mindful of where you park. If you have any concerns, please raise with a dedicated team within the police on cv_schools_policing_team@westmidlands.police.uk

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 an exceptional leave request for any holidays/leave abroad.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding

ORACY QUESTION

If you could change one thing about the world to make it better, what would you change—and why?

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Nursey	91 %	3M	96 %
RT	94 %	4G	97 %
RW	100 %	4R	97 %
1B	95 %	5R	97 %
1L	100 %	5B	99 %
2R	98 %	6S	91 %
2W	99 %	6T	90 %
3B	97 %	Over all	96 %

ONLINE SAFETY SURVEYS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

The Coventry Safeguarding Children's Partnership have created two Online Safety Surveys for children and families in Coventry to help us gain a better understanding of children and young people's online behaviours.

We have designed a survey for children and young people about what they are accessing online and how they keep themselves safe. It also offers children and young people across Coventry the opportunity to share what worries them online and what would help them feel safer online.

[Online Safety - Survey for Children and Young People – Fill in form](#)

We have tailored a survey towards parents and carers for them to share their understanding of their children's online activity and how they support their children to stay safe online. The Online Safety Survey for Parents and Carers also offers them a chance to voice their concerns surrounding their child's use of the internet and tell us what further support they would like to see.

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

Monday	Reception - Athletics Year 6 - Striking/Feilding Games Year 1 – Understanding Games
Tuesday	Year 3 – Invasion Games Year 5 – Health Related Fitness Year 2 – Ball Skills
Wednesday	Nursery – Athletics/Ball Skills Year 4 – Invasion Games Year 3 – Striking/Feilding Games
Thursday	Reception – Ball Skills Year 5 - Striking/Feilding Games Year 6 – Health Related Fitness
Friday	Year 2 – Understanding Games Nursery – Athletics /Ball Skills Year 1 – Ball Skills Year 4 - Striking/Feilding Games

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

