



NEWSLETTER

18th September 2017

“Mistakes are proof that you are trying”

Dear Parents/Carers,

Attendance

Wk beginning 4 th September:	Amber	99.6%
Wk beginning 11 th September:	Amber	99.7%

Praise Assemblies

Well done to all the pupils who received Praise this week!

Individual School Photographs

Please note, the Individual School Photographs will be taken on Wednesday 20th September and children will need to attend in full uniform. Due to the school numbers growing, only siblings within school or Pre School will be invited to join on this occasion.

School Meals

Please note all pupils in KS2 (Years Three to Six) must pay for their school meals. The cost of a school meal is £2.20 per day, i.e. £11.00 per week. If your child has a hot dinner provided by school, please ensure the correct amount is sent in to school **every Monday in a named envelope if you are not paying online.**

Applying for a School Place

If your child has a sibling who is due to start in Reception next September, you can now apply online for their school place. We will be holding Open Days on Wednesday 11th October and Wednesday 8th November at 11.00 a.m., 2.00 p.m. and 5.00 p.m. for parents/carers to view the school. The deadline for applying for a High School place is 31st October for those children currently in Year Six.

Inconsiderate Parking

A **red Vauxhall Astra, registration number BJ15 LPL**, was reported to us for being parked across a resident's driveway. Would the owners please take care in future and park in a more suitable spot. Would all parents please be mindful of our residents when using Apsley Road. We will continue to monitor the situation.

School Allotment

I am sure you will have seen our allotment in the Year One outdoor space. On Wednesday 20th September we will be selling vegetables after school in the main playground.

School Website

We are in the process of having a new school website built, which should hopefully be ready after half term. To make it a more useful tool for parents could you please let us know if there are any particular features/information you would like included by contacting the school office.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

On 29th September we will be raising money for Macmillan, the cancer charity. Children may come to school in non-uniform, a suggested donation of £1.00 can be sent in with your child. Your child may also bring in cakes (homemade or shop bought) to be sold in the Hall at the end of the day as an alternative to the traditional coffee morning.

School Uniform/P.E. Kit

It has become evident that standards are dropping with regards to uniform. Can we remind you that all children must wear black/brown school shoes, not trainers and bottle green v-neck jumpers/cardigans and not 'hoodies'. School uniform should be as follows;

Girls

- Grey skirt, pinafore dress or trousers, w/ blouse and school tie
- A green gingham dress in summer
- Green cardigan, jumper or v-neck sweatshirt
- Green fleece (for outdoor use only)
- Black or brown sensible shoes **not boots**
- Grey or green tights or white socks
- Hair bands etc. in school colours
- NO make-up, nail varnish or jewellery

Boys

- Grey trousers, white shirt and school tie
- Green jumper or v-neck sweatshirt
- Green fleece (for outdoor use only)
- Black or brown sensible shoes
- No jewellery

We will be monitoring the situation and any child not adhering to the policy on numerous occasions will receive a letter giving specific details of incorrect uniform.

It is a legal requirement that Primary School children take part in at least 2 hours of physical activity per week. However, there is a growing number of children who are missing P.E. lessons as they do not have their kit in school. Children need to have a complete P.E. kit in school at all times, which consists of a P.E. top in their house colour, black shorts and black school P.E. pumps. The outdoor kit consists of the same P.E. top, black or grey tracksuit and sports trainers. Children are not permitted to take part in P.E. with earrings in and we are not allowed to cover them with plasters or tape. All long hair must be tied up on P.E. days. These rules are in accordance with Sandwell's School Health and Safety Policy.

Lost Property

We already have many items of clothing in our lost property, including coats, so ask you to check in case your child is missing anything. Please ensure that ALL school uniform, shoes, P.E. kit and bags are clearly named.

Jeans for Genes Day

Half a million children in the UK are affected by a life-altering genetic disorder. Jeans for Genes Day raises money to transform their lives. Children may come to school in their jeans on Friday 22nd September. Please send a suggested donation of £1.00.

Swimming Volunteers

We urgently need parents/helpers to accompany pupils to the swimming baths on Monday afternoons, on a rota basis. Without volunteers we may be unable to continue the swimming lessons for our pupils and your help is greatly appreciated. If any of you feel you can help us on occasional Mondays then please contact Mrs. Towers in the school office and she will organise the necessary DBS checks. Thank you for your support.

Grand Opening

To coincide with the official opening of Perryfields Primary in 1957, our school extension was officially opened by Cllr Simon Hackett. Many former staff and pupils joined our celebration, including Sylvia Forbes who joined the school in 1957. The children, particularly our existing School Councillors, were a real credit to our school.

Yours sincerely,

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MRS. T. L. JONES

Headteacher