

Perryfields Primary School



Newsletter March/April 2026

"We have enjoyed a wonderful Easter Bonnet parade and been extremely impressed by the Eggcellent Egg Scenes!

We are also excited to share some changes to our afterschool multisport club! After asking the children in a school wide survey, what they would like at an after-school club, from Monday 13th April, our current Multi-Sports Club will be replaced with the following:

- Mondays: Athletics Club KS1. A fun and active club focusing on running, jumping, and throwing skills.
- Wednesdays: KS2 Basketball Club. Developing teamwork, coordination, and basketball skills.

These clubs will run at the usual afterschool time. After May half term these sports will change!

Spaces are limited, so please book via the payments section on ParentMail.

(Choir after-school club remains on a Tuesday, Dance on a Thursday and Football on a Friday.)

As you are already aware from the letter sent from Sarah Gooding, our Chair of Governors, the Governing Board appointed Mrs Jennie Griffiths as Head Teacher at Perryfields Primary School.

Coincidentally, Mrs Griffiths started her teaching career at Perryfields. Having taught at Perryfields, Mrs Griffiths is already aware of the importance of communicating and is very much looking forward to starting in September."

Mrs T. Jones (Head Teacher)

Our Mission:

To embrace the needs of all learners in a nurturing and enriching environment, empowering them to be the best they can be.

Vision for Learning:

Through highly effective teaching and the building of successful partnerships with parents, we encourage lifelong learners to flourish by equipping and enabling all pupils to make a positive contribution to society.

School Mission and Vision:

"Bold women remove obstacles, create history, and inspire generations." Frida Kahlo.

Can you help us?

We recently sent a ParentMail message to clarify the systems we use to communicate important messages to all our parents/carers and how you can contact your child's teachers and the school office.

On one morning this week, just between just 8.30am - 11.00am, the school office received **40** phone calls.

The majority of these calls could have been avoided if ParentMail and Class Charts messages had been read.

Can you please refer to ParentMail and Class Charts in the first instance, before you make a phone call? The answer to your question may be there already! Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!

Whole School House Points:

Phoenix 19650



Griffin 16361

Pegasus 16708



Dragon 17215

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Opal:

Our lunchtime offer continues to grow as we introduce new activities/areas each week. The number of first aid incidents has reduced significantly along with the number of behaviour incidents.

Thank you to our Play Detectives for helping out during lunchtimes. After the Easter holiday, we hope to introduce our 'Large Loose Parts/Den Building' and the music wall.

If you have any suitable items you wish to donate, please let the Admin Team know.

Wow!

We are delighted to inform you that our application for the School Board Nursery Capital Grant was successful! We have secured a grant of £150,000 to remove the existing building and replace it with one more befitting for our pre-school, who offer excellent provision. As well as continuing to offer 32 places for 3-year-olds, we will be able to offer 4 places for 2-year-olds. Hopefully, the new building will be completed by September 2027.

If you know of any local businesses looking to offer any sponsorships or fund-raising ideas, please let our pre-school Manager Clair know.

As with any building project we need to ensure that our total fund can cover any additional, unexpected costs. Please note that pre-school will remain open but will need to be based in the school building at some point. We will keep you informed of all changes.

School Uniform:

A reminder that all children are expected to wear school uniform unless there is good reason not to.

Safeguarding:

It has been brought to our attention that a number of our children are allowed to watch programmes that are not considered age appropriate.

For example, Stanger Things has an over 15 age rating in the U.K.

Children at primary school should not be watching programmes featuring unsuitable content.

Walk to school:

We have enrolled in a new walk to school challenge run by Sandwell public health.

At the moment, it is only open to Years 3 and 4 as a trial. It will take place from Monday 11th May - Friday 19th June (excluding half-term week)

Each class will soon receive a unique code and instructions for parents, who will record activity/information on an app called "Go Jauntly."

If successful, it may be rolled out to the whole school in the near future.

Inconsiderate Parking:

We have received a number of complaints regarding inconsiderate parking at school drop-off and pick-up times from residents near the school. Can you please ensure that you park with consideration for our neighbours and **do not block any drives.**



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24th APR: ATWELL FARM TRIP (*Payment and trip details are on ParentMail*)

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EAR 2:

14th APR: ROAD SAFETY

Y
EAR 3:

15th APR: ROAD SAFETY

24th APR: SPARKS ASSEMBLY

Y
EAR 4:

15th APR: ROAD SAFETY

24th APR: SPARKS ASSEMBLY

Y
EAR 5:

15th APR: ROAD SAFETY

27th APR – 1st MAY: PLAS RESIDENTIAL TRIP

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EAR 6:

15th APR: ROAD SAFETY

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(11th MAY – SATS WEEK COMMENCES)

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Attendance:



Gary the Goat! (G.O.A.T stands for Growing Our Attendance Together)

The class with the highest attendance figures for **Autumn 2** and our **League Winners** are:

DENIM

The class with the highest attendance for **two weeks running** are:

AMBER

Vinnie Van Goat is our second-place mascot!

The class with the second highest attendance for **two weeks running** are:

MARMALADE



Summer Fair:

A group of parents and staff are busy organising our Summer Fair. If you have any time spare to lend a hand, please let the know. The date is set for Thursday 9th July from 3.30pm.

Sports Day:

Sports Day will be on Thursday 18th June. If this is cancelled due to inclement weather, the reserve date is Thursday 25th June.



Perryfields Pre-School:

We have a small number of places available for the summer term for 3-year-olds. If you would like further information, please email preschool@perryfields-pri.sandwell.sch.uk

(If your child is not 3 years old yet they can join our waiting list, just email the pre-school with your details.)

MCAS Reminder:

Parents/Carers, if your contact information (address/phone number etc) changes please ensure that you use the My Child At School app (MCAS) to update your details.

School website:

Did you know that you can access vital school information, the school calendar, previous newsletters, class blogs and fantastic photos on our website: <https://www.perryfields-pri.sandwell.sch.uk/>

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

The school gates are locked from 8.35am - 9.15am and from 3.10pm - 3.35pm.

Term begins on Monday 13th April.

Bank Holiday (**SCHOOL CLOSED TO STAFF AND CHILDREN**) on Monday 4th May.

POLL STATION DAY (**SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN**) on Thursday 7th May.

INSET DAY (**SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN**) on Friday 8th May.