



Friday 14 February 2014

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Dear Parents

### Attendance and Attitude towards Learning Week Ending 7 February Spring Term 2014

Head's Classes		Attendance	
FS	RH	4W	99.0%
KS1	2A	5M	98.3%
LKS2	3W	6H	100%
UKS2	5P	Overall	96.1%

### 2A's and 6B's Class Assemblies

Two fantastic assemblies last week! 2A retold the story of the Chinese New Year, complete with costume and face masks. This was a very crisp and particularly well performed assembly. Well done 2A. Meanwhile, 6B demonstrated the Power of Music. Music can move the soul; can take you back in time; can be used to ease discomfort; and can be used as a means of communication. Fantastic fun and a valuable message. Well done 6B!



### Parents' Evenings

Thank you all so much for attending your child's parent-teacher meetings. Our new Parent System shows 603 pupils' parents out of a possible 685, that's 88% attended earlier this week. This high percentage shows just how

committed you all are to your child's education. It is a real privilege to work in such an environment. Thank you.

### Kirkland Rowell Questionnaire

Many thanks to those of you who completed this questionnaire. Our figures show a return of just under 50%. As soon as the collation has taken place, I will be making the outcomes available to you and be working on how we can move forwards against points that you have raised.

### Girls' Netball Skills



Very well done indeed to our Year 6 girls Gagandeep, Amy, Ellie, Holly, Alice, Jess D, Hannah O, Emily, Freya and Lindsey, who have won the Solihull Netball Skills Championship for the second year in a row with an incredibly fast time of only 5 minutes and 3 seconds! Well done girls and thank you Mrs Edwards!!

### Pupils Standing on the Corner

Mums and younger pupils are having a few problems getting passed the increasing number of pupils who are standing on the corner of Wilton Road waiting to be picked up after school. Please could you spread the load a little by agreeing a different place for pick up? This would be very much appreciated, thank you.

### Charity Pancake Day

This event is next week, Tuesday 18 February, 10-1pm at Balsall Common Village Hall. Bring your family and friends & help raise funds for The Brain Tumour Charity. Pancakes, cup-cakes, cakes, drinks will be on sale, as well as books, toys and gifts. For further information on the event call Sandy Ameer-Beg - 07818 420621. For further information on the Brain Tumour Charity visit: [thebraintumourcharity.org](http://thebraintumourcharity.org), Registered Charity No: 1150054.



### Charity Dinner

The Fifth Annual Lily Mae Foundation Evening Dinner Dance is taking place at the Belfry Hotel and Resort on Friday 25 April. To book tickets please visit <http://www.lilymaefoundation.org/golf/day/book/>

### Centenary Week

A further week is planned on our return to school after the half term to learn more about events over the last 100 years during the year that this school celebrates its 100 year anniversary. Thank you in advance for enabling your children to come in dressed up in 1940's style clothing (Nursery & Infants) and as evacuees (KS2) on the first Tuesday after half term.

### Half Term and INSET DAY

School breaks up TODAY and pupils return on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February. Remember that we moved INSET Day to Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March.

I hope you all have a great Valentine's night and a brilliant half term.

**GT Burgess**

**Nursery - Ted & Toby Bear's Star of the Week Awards**

**Morning - Luke**

**Weds pm - Fri - Aimee & Ava**

**Robin's Stars of the Week**

Megan C, RM

Joe N, RW

Erin M, RH

**Writers of the Week**

Libby B, Erin M & Matilda C, RH  
Tigerlily C & Jessica C, 2K

Chloe W & Alex W, RW

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Logan R, RM  
James M, 2D

**Maths Wizard**

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Ben M, 1S

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Vishal D & Ashton W, 2D

Alex M & Aaron Q, 2K

Ben L, 2A

**Good Choice Stars of the Week**

Evie B, 1M	Anwyn M-O, 2K	Baley W, 3D	Will M, 4B	Summer S, 5B	Ellie D, 6B
-	Nikita J, 2K	Amber C, 3W	Ben W, 4W	Helena W, 5B	Finlay P-O, 6H
-	Reiss S, 2D	Sam R, 3C	Ben D-D, 4D	Tillie J, 5M	Grace B, 6W
	Eloise A, 2A			Harry C, 5P	

**Council Friendship Cup**

Jessica D, 6W

**Helen Lewis Friendship Cup**

Eleanor D-D, 2K

Joel B, RW

**DIARY DATES**

**SPRING TERM 2014**

<b>Monday 24 February</b>	<b>BACK TO SCHOOL - NOT INSET</b>
Mon 24 - Fri 28 February	CENTENARY WEEK 1939-1970
Tuesday 25 February	Dressing Up Day
<b>Monday 3 March</b>	<b>INSET</b>
Wednesday 5 March	Year 4 to West Midlands Safari Park
Friday 7 March	09:10 2D Class Assembly 14:45 6H Class Assembly
Friday 14 March	09:10 1S Class Assembly 14:45 5B Class Assembly
Tuesday 18 March	Year 5 Brandon Marsh
Friday 21 March	09:10 1P Class Assembly 14:45 5P Class Assembly
Tuesday 25 March	Yr 3 Chedworth Roman Villa
Friday 28 March	09:10 Reception Mothering Sunday Assembly
Tuesday 1 April	Morning - M&M Productions 'Treasure Island' in hall
Friday 4 April	09:10 1M Class Assembly 14:45 5M Class Assembly 18:00-19:15 Reception & Yrs1 - 2 Disco 19:30-21:00 Yrs 3-6 Disco
Tuesday 8 & Wednesday 9 April	18:00 Year 4 production
Monday 12 May	Bikeability Week for Year 5
Mon 12- Fri 16 May	KS2 Tests
Tuesday 20 May	14:00 Yrs 5 & 6 Sports Afternoon
Thursday 22 May	Children break up for Half Term
Friday 23 May	INSET