



Friday 4 July 2014

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Dear Parents

Attendance and Attitude towards Learning for Last Week

Last Week's Head's Winners		Weekly Attendance	
FS	RW	6H	97.6%
KS1	2A	5M	97.4%
LKS2	3C	2D	97.3%
UKS2	5B	Week	96.9%



3W Class Assembly

What a fabulous assembly about volcanoes we were treated to last Friday. It began with the inhabitants of Pompeii scattered on the floor after the eruption of Vesuvius only to be awoken by archaeologists centuries later. Beautifully performed and full of interesting facts. Well Done.



County Games

We had two tennis teams representing South Solihull at Warwick University in the County Games featuring the best schools from Warwickshire, Coventry and North Solihull. Years 3 & 4 played really well and finished 5th overall and were awarded the 'Most sporting team cup'. A fantastic performance from Ollie D, Owen P, Keira M and Nicole W. In the afternoon it was the turn of years 5 & 6, who won all games and were crowned champions. Great performances from Ben S, Harry C, Taryn W and Phoebe T. A day for all to feel so proud of our achievements.

Rounders Match

Last week our Year 4 pupils played a rounders match versus Eversfield, captained by Mia B; we triumphed 23- 10. There were fantastic performances from Abigail C and Zak D. Well done to all of the team.

Lost Property

Please encourage your children to look for lost items. Our lost property bins are overflowing. If the clothes are labelled it does help to reunite property with its owner but unfortunately most isn't named!

John Shepherd Select Estate Agents

Local Independent Estate Agent making a substantial commitment to BCPS over the long term. Call Matt Carroll on 01676 534411 to discuss your needs.



Year 5 Greek Day

Congratulations to all year 5 parents for providing costumes for the Year 5 Greek Day. The costumes just seem to get better and more creative. It was certainly a hands on practical day and the children really enjoyed themselves. Thank you to the Year 5 staff for organising the day and for getting in to the spirit of the day themselves!

Get up and Dance

On Friday 20th June saw all year groups taking part in a dance fundraising event in support of Macmillan Cancer Support. The children thoroughly enjoyed dancing to a variety of their favourite music and different dance routines. We raised £114.61 and would like to say a big thank you to all of you who donated!

Mr Pecksen Skydive 9 August

If you would like to support Mr Pecksen's jump for charity please use the following link. <https://www.justgiving.com/MrPecksen/> or Text BCPS99 and the amount to 70070 e.g. "BCPS99 £5" to 70070

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Solihull School Art Exhibition 26 June

Paintings of the Houses of Parliament chosen for display were created by Elliot S, Georgia L, Anna, Claudia, Erin, Aanya, Maisie and Georgia R. Miss Hughes and Miss Davies accompanied the pupils and their parents to explore the exhibition. The highlight of the evening was a presentation made to the school by Karren Brady who commented on the high standard of work produced by local Primary Schools. Well done to our talented pupils.

Swimming Team at Ponds Forge



The school is so proud of the effort and commitment that our swimming team put in to preparing for the National Finals. On top of early morning training the squad managed additional sessions at Warwick University in order to refine block starts, change overs and familiarise themselves with a race length pool. Four of them also had to miss their final Gala Day. Thank you to Finlay, Josh G T, Josh M, Tom M and reserve Josh B,

And Finally

I can hardly believe that another school year has almost ended and everyone is looking forward to their summer break. On a personal front the next two weeks will be more significant than usual as they will be my final weeks at Balsall Common Primary. After 23 years at the school I have decided to retire and although I am excited about the future I will be sad to say goodbye to a school that has played a huge part in my life. I have enjoyed the opportunities that the school has given me working for two headteachers and I am proud to say that I am the Deputy Headteacher. It has been a privilege to have worked alongside such committed staff, hardworking pupils and supportive parents. It is truly an Outstanding School and I wish you all the very best for the future.

Sue Davies, Deputy Headteacher

Atkinson Stilgoe, Village Estate Agents, is once more sponsoring our school generously over the next 4 year period. Please ring Anita McKeogh on 01676 535234 to see current listings of homes for sale.

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

Mornings: Jasmin & Andrew

Afternoons: Ruby

Robin's Stars of the Week

Jonty D, RM

Joel B, RW

Harry B, RH

Writers of the Week

Joel B & James W, RW
Max M, 1S
Shelby B, 2A

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Eleanor D-D & Tom M, 2K

Anais H, RH
Rohan H & Ellen C, 1P
Alistair, B, 2D

Maths Wizards

Tom G, Ria P & Sophie C, 1S
Luke P & Emily C, 2D

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Levi O-S, 2K

Edward L, 1P
Erin C, Milli R & Mollie S, 2A

Good Choice Stars of the Week

Esteban C, 1P	Ben A, 2K	Sean C, 3D	Archie S, 4D	Grace L, 5P	Megan D, 6B
-	Mia S, 2D	Isabelle M, 3W	Keira M, 4B	Alex W, 5M	Isabel H, 6H
-	Emily, C, 2D	Miles P, 3C	Charlotte W, 4W	Archie S, 5M	Hollie A, 6W
	Miles G, 2A			-	
	Thomas O'R, 2A				

Upper KS2 Friendship Cup

Ross T, 6B

DIARY DATES

SUMMER TERM 2014

Monday 07 July	16:30 17:30	*Information meetings for new Y1 parents *Information meetings for new Y3 parents
Tuesday 08 July	18:00	*Year 6 Production *changes of dates
Wednesday 09 July	Year 2 18:00	Stratford Butterfly Farm Year 6 Production
Friday 11 July	INSET	
Monday 14 July	Reports home to parents	
Tuesday 15 July	*Musical Concert	
Wednesday 16 July	Year 6 Games and BBQ	
Thursday 17 July	9:10	KS1 Final Assembly with remaining July & August Birthdays
Friday 18 July	09:10 14:30	Final Year 2 Assembly Final KS2 assembly
	Break up for Summer Holiday - Please note that this is earlier than other Solihull Schools	

AUTUMN TERM 2014

Monday 1 September	INSET DAY	
Tuesday 2 September	New School Year Starts	