

# Balsall Common Primary School

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Dear Parents and Children,

**Attendance and ATLs for Last Week**  
Congratulations to the classes below who achieved the joint highest attendance last week. Take a look at the whole school figure - getting closer to the magical 98% mark!

| Last Week's ATL Winners |    | Weekly Attendance      |       |
|-------------------------|----|------------------------|-------|
| FS                      | RK | 2K                     | 99.7% |
| KS1                     | 2K | 2B, 2M, 3C,<br>4W & 6K | 99.0% |
| LKS2                    | 3D | Whole School           | 97.4% |
| UKS2                    | 5B |                        |       |

#### ATL Points Cup Winners

Well done to Esther in 4C and William in 5B for earning the most ATL Points in LKS2 and UKS2 respectively.

#### Flourishing Fivers



Year 5 pupils have had the opportunity to become young entrepreneurs and to once again partake in Age UK Solihull's 'Flourishing Fivers' scheme. 'Keepie uppie' contests, car washing and selling ice-creams were just some of the fundraising ideas from pupils. Each child in Year 5 has been given £5 and they will use this 'investment' to buy ingredients or prizes for their money making scheme and then see how much they can make it grow in 4 weeks - all in aid of Age UK Solihull.

#### RC and 4W's Class Assemblies

Wow, what a fantastic assembly By RC on Friday. Clear voices, great songs and superb acting. We all left the hall knowing a lot more about vegetables and singing one potato, two potato.... Well done RC, Mrs Clamp, Miss Deeley and Miss Williams.



4W entertained us with an assembly in celebration of Queen Elizabeth's recent 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. They told us all about the national Clean for the Queen campaign to encourage everyone to pick up litter and recycle more to keep our country clean and tidy. We even had a very special visit from a VIP...Billy the Bin! Well done to the children in 4W who spoke and sang so clearly and to Mr Wood and Mrs Savage for their organisation.



#### Non-School Uniform Days

You may have noticed the addition of 3 of these in the diary dates. Our first is Friday May 20<sup>th</sup> and we are raising money for 'Mikey's Wish' which aims to raise awareness of verbal dyspraxia. Mikey is a former pupil of ours and we are delighted to help out. Donations of £1 would be warmly welcomed and children are also invited to wear something blue as this is the chosen colour to represent 'Mikey's Wish'. On the two other Non - School Uniform Days we will

have collections for the PTA Gala on Saturday 25 June....watch this space for further details.

#### Year 4 Formula 1 in Schools

Congratulations to Alex M, Maia F, Mia P, Rhys E, otherwise known as the Lightning Strikes team, who won the F1 schools challenge last week. The F1 in Schools Jaguar Primary School Challenge involves designing and manufacturing the fastest car possible, by emulating the processes employed by engineering companies. The pupils (ably assisted by Mrs Vargal) designed and built a car from cardboard using computer aided design software. Thank you to all of the sponsors, TSC Cars, Signarama, FleetEvolution, Sutherpark, Wow Signals, Clifford House Fostering, Lavender Hall Auto's and Saint-Gobain PAM UK for their help and support.



#### Nursery Stay and Play

Our Nursery has been hosting stay and play sessions so parents can come in and see what their children do in our setting. They have proved really popular and the staff are thrilled with how successful they have been. Thanks to the staff for organising and thanks to the parents who came and joined in!

#### SATs

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May:** Year 6 Statutory Assessments are next week - please do the best you can to ensure that the children are rested and ready to perform at their best!

**Have a great weekend  
N S Ireland**

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 Zig and Zog's Stars of the Week**

Miss Sargent's class - Sam A & Myles

Mrs Basener & Mrs Parkin's class - Alex F & Belle

**Robin's Stars of the Week**

Rayan A, RK

YiJiang W, RW

Elliott J, RC

Carolina J, RM

**Writers of the Week**

Esme W, RC  
Tawny H & Evie Mc, 1D  
Josie R & Sam W, 2B

Mikey S, RW  
Holly T & Charlie B, 1H  
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Grace B, Nevaeh D & Sophia M, RK  
Olivia M, 1R  
Oscar S, 2K

**Maths Wizards**

Leighton B, 1R  
Alex W, 2K

William V-R, 1D  
George B, 2B

Aimee L, 1D  
Holly B & Isabelle W, 2K

**Good Choice Stars of the Week**

Aaron B, 1H  
Isla B, 1D  
Lewis C, 1D  
Josh B, 1R

Dylan S, 2B  
Megan H, 2K  
Jessica L, 2K  
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Macy P, 3D  
Max M, 3P  
Ben S, 3C

Summer P, 4C  
Luke F, 4J  
Rachel R, 4W

Anushka O, 5P  
Imogen D, 5T  
Libby J, 5B

Katherine M, 6K  
Alison, 6K  
Sam R, 6B  
Freya G, 6W

**DIARY DATES**

|                                 |  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Monday 9 - Friday 13 May        | KS2 Tests  |
| Friday 13 May                   | HSBC SchoolBank  |
| Wednesday 18 May                | PTA Meeting  |
| Thursday 19 May                 | Year 4 to Tamworth Castle  |
| Friday 20 May                   | Non-School Uniform Day for Mikey's Wish - wear something blue!<br>9:05 Class Assembly RM                   |
| Wednesday 25 May                | UKS2 Sports Day  |
| Friday 27 May                   | <b>INSET DAY</b>   |
| Monday 6 June                   | <b>BACK TO SCHOOL</b>  |
| Monday 6 - Friday 10 June       | Year 6 to Isle of Wight  |
| Thursday 9 June                 | KS1 Sports Day   |
| Friday 10 June                  | 9:05 Class Assembly RW   |
| Monday 13 June                  | 17:00 New Nursery Parents Introductory Meeting<br>18:00 New Reception Parents Introductory Meeting         |
| Tuesday 14 June                 | LKS2 Sports Day  |
| Friday 17 June                  | Non-School Uniform Day for Gala - please donate chocolates & chemist stall items<br>2:45 Class Assembly 5T |
| Tuesday 21 - Friday 24 June     | Year 4 to Dunfield House   |
| Friday 24 June                  | Non-School Uniform Day for Gala - please donate bottles (full!)<br>HSBC SchoolBank                         |
| Saturday 25 June                | <b>GALA DAY</b>  |
| Friday 1 July                   | 2:45 Class Assembly 5P   |
| Wednesday 6 July                | 18:00 - Summer Concert   |
| Friday 8 July                   | HSBC SchoolBank<br>Disco   |
| Monday 11 July                  | 16:30 Year 1 Information Evening<br>17:30 Year 3 Information Evening                                       |
| Wednesday 13 & Thursday 14 July | 18:00 - Year 6 Performance   |
| Friday 15 July                  | INSET DAY  |



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