



Dear Parents, Children and Families,
Welcome back to the final half term of this academic year! It's been lovely to get through a whole school year without any lockdowns, and we are so proud of how our children have re-adapted to school life after the disruption of the last two years. They really are amazing!

Just a quick reminder that children need to come to school dressed appropriately for the weather. With the ever changing typical British weather, this can sometimes mean a coat one day and sun cream the next! As our children spend lots of time outside, it's important they are comfortable, and sun cream and a hat is a must in sunny weather. 😊



REMINDER

There will not be a Parents' Day this term as Teachers provide a full written end of year report. If you have any concerns or queries regarding your child's education and general experience in school, please speak to your child's teacher.

SUMMER DISCO

We are really looking forward to our Summer Disco on **Friday 24th June!** Tickets will be available for pupils in Year 1 - 6 and can be purchased on Parent Pay from today!

Concerns or worries

Please can we remind you that if you have a worry about your child, please discuss this with your child's class teacher. **Please do not approach other parents** as this can easily escalate a situation. Thank you for your ongoing support.

The Grammar Schools in Birmingham

Information for our Year 5 Parents



Registration is now open for parents of current Year 5 pupils who would like their child to sit the entrance test for **The Grammar Schools in Birmingham**, for entry to Year 7 in September 2023. The deadline for registering for the test is 4pm on 30th June 2022.

Please visit the following website for more information and to apply:

www.birminghamgrammarschools.org

Wellbeing award

You may remember we told you recently that George Betts have registered for the Wellbeing Award for Schools. We wanted to say a huge THANK YOU to the parents who completed our questionnaire. We really appreciate your feedback and will be taking on board the information shared to make positive changes to our practice. Families are also encouraged to contact our Wellbeing Team to share any wellbeing or mental health concerns or seek support. Pop into school or call 0121 558 0472 at any time during the school day. Thank you again for your ongoing support.



ATTENDANCE



Did you know that the Government is tightening up their rules on school attendance?

Why does school attendance matter?

- Missing a few days of school here and there may not seem a big deal, but research shows that it can have a significant impact on children's learning.
- Children who miss a substantial amount of school fall behind their peers and struggle to catch up. Most of the work they miss is never made up, which can lead to big gaps in their learning.
- Poor attendance often starts at primary school, and children who fall into this pattern are likely to underachieve at secondary school. Pupils who miss between 10 and 20% of school (that's 19 to 38 days per year) stand only a 35% chance of achieving five or more good GCSEs, compared to 73% of those who miss fewer than 5% of school days.
- Friendships can be affected by persistent absence too; it can be hard for a child who misses lots of school to form relationships with their classmates.
- Poor attendance also reflects badly on our school. Ofsted expect all schools to have good attendance rates, and they are marked down in inspections if their absence figures are too high.



We have recently seen an increase in children being collected late from school. We understand there may be very rare occasions, due to circumstances outside of your control, that you may be late. However, persistent or significant late collections may result in after school club charges being applied (£1.50 per day, per child.) Thank you for your co-operation.

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

Date	Event
Friday 24th June	Summer Disco (A ticket must be purchased in advance from Parent Pay)
Wednesday 29th June	Sports Day 🏃 AM - Morning Nursery (Kangaroos) and Reception PM - Afternoon Nursery (Koalas) and Year 1
Thursday 30th June	Sports Day 🏆🏆🏆 AM - Year 2, 3 & 4 PM - Year 5 & 6