





NEWSLETTER MAY 2016

I would like to say a huge thank you to staff and parents in Year 6 who, last week, worked so hard to support their children through the SATs. Parents who have been to the workshops will know just how high expectations are. We are so very proud of how the children stayed positive and tried their very best. Well done everyone!

Currently pupils in Year 2 are also working through their SATs. Very soon, we will be having the phonics check in Year 1. Over the year parents have been offered a variety of workshops to show just what the children have to do. Thank you for your support if you have helped in any way to prepare your child. If you have any further questions please speak to the class teacher in the first instance. Results from all of these 'tests' will be given to you on our annual Open afternoon, on 18th July, when you will have a chance to see your child's new classroom and teacher, and collect their report for the year. We hope to see you there. As we come to the end of this first summer half term, please do keep your eye on the calendar to ensure that you take advantage of all of the opportunities and events which we put on before the children break up for their well deserved holiday.

Enjoy the half term.



<u>Lord Mayor's Show - Sunday 12</u> <u>June 2016 11am - 5pm</u>

Come to the Lord Mayor's Show which returns to Cannon Hill Park to celebrate the Queen's 90th Birthday. It will be a fun packed day with lots for all the family to do. The Event aims to raise money for the Lord Mayor's Charities. This year the theme is 'health'. The event is FREE but charges for rides & face painting will apply.

Nursery Place September 2016

We still have some spaces in our nursery for September. Our nursery is every morning, term time only and free. If your child is 3 between September 2012 to August 2013 then your child can come & start at our nursery in September. Please call 0121 464 5170 and put your child on our nursery list.

Space Camp

On Thursday 5th May, Team Palmer experienced New Hall's first ever Space Camp! The year five children returned to school in the evening and took part in science-based activities before camping in tents overnight. The children made space-themed pixelated pictures from mosaic squares, investigated how light travels with mirrors and lasers, studied the night sky with the aid of a telescope, binoculars and the Star Walk app and finally watched the film Space Chimps before a very late bedtime. On Friday 6th we completed the experience with a session inside a planetarium which was also visited by KS1 and Team Roberts. The children had a fantastic time! Thank you to all staff involved to make this experience possible. Look out for the next Space Camp in the autumn term - will it be your class taking part?







May Half Term Playscheme

Places still available for May Half Term Play Scheme. Packs are available from School Office. Play Scheme is open from Tuesday 31 May to Friday 3 June.

Birth Certificates

If you have not as yet sent in a copy of your child's Birth Certificate, please can you hand them into our School Office.

Class Photographs

These will be taking place on Tuesday 7 June 2016. All photographs will be taken during the school day and there will be opportunity to purchase a photograph before the end of term.

<u>Children Centre Term Time</u> Activities

Monday - 10am to 12 Stay & Play £2

Tuesday - 10am to 12 - Twins & Multiples Grp

- 1.30pm - 3pm - Messy Monsters £2

Thursday - 9.30am to 11am - Drop in Baby

Clinic with Health Visitors

- 9.30 to 11am - Breastfeeding Support Group

Friday - 9.30am to 11.30am - Stay & Play £2

If you have any queries please call the Children Centre on 0121 464 5170 (Option 2)

Starburst for EYFS & KS1

28 April 2016

Nursery - Selina Team Carpenter - Elsie Team Degville - Nikko Team Gilbert - Faezah Team Davis - Tallulah Team Wood - Lacey-Ann



Starburst for KS2 12 May 2016

Team Toomer - Leo

Team Whateley - Salihah

Team Qayyum - Eva

Team Roberts - Elle

Team Palmer - Ryan

Team Hall - SATS

Diary Dates

School closed Half term - Monday 30 May - Friday 3 June 2016
School re-open Monday 6 June 2016.
School closed Thursday 23 June 2016.
School re-open Friday 24 June 2016
School closed from Monday 25 July to Monday 5 September.
School re-open Tuesday 6
September 2016.

<u>Glasses</u>

Has your child lost any glasses? We have 6 pairs in our school office waiting to be claimed. Please call in at Reception. Thank you.

Grammar Schools' Admission Entry September 2017

Children whose parents wish them to be considered for one or more of the Grammar Schools only need to sit one entrance test.

Most Grammar Schools now give priority within their admission policies to children who are, or have been, registered for Pupil Premium (Free School Meals). The schools are also free to attend and do not have catchment areas so parents may apply for their child's admission wherever they live. The entrance test to be considered for entry to any Grammar Schools in Birmingham in September 2017 will be held on Saturday 10 September this year. Parents of Year 5 children considering a Grammar School education for their child will need to register their child for their test by 4pm on Friday 8 July 2016. To register your child for the test by visiting www.birminghamgrammarschools.org

Sutton Coldfield Football Rugby Club

For under 11's they will be running rugby taster/training sessions every Wednesday from 6 July 2016 throughout the Summer holidays and onwards. They train every Wednesday evening from 6pm - 7pm at the Walmley grounds.

If you are interested in joining them please contact, Nicola Fisher on 07931 100783.

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