



NEWSLETTER JUNE 2021

It hardly seems possible that we are finally close to the end of year. As the last few weeks are counting down things get increasingly busy.

The last two days of school for the children on the 19th and 20th July will be spent with their new teachers - getting to know them, seeing their new classroom and finding out all of the routines in place. After an unstable year we hope that this will reassure your child/ren so that they will be ready to come back in September and start as they mean to go on.

Thank you to the parents who have continued to support us as we had to close a year group last week. We know how disruptive this is for the pupils, parents and staff. For many weeks now there has been no new guidance from the government on dealing with a positive COVID test in school, so therefore we follow what has previously been put in place.

We are ever hopeful that guidance will change, but once again are awaiting further news from the government. As it stands all of the preparation that we are doing for September is based on the information that we have now. Parents will need to be aware that as a result some advice may change at short notice.

Mrs Hanks

New Charges from September 2021

Please find below the list of increases from September 2021:

Breakfast Club
£4.50

Wrap Around
£6.50 - 3.00pm-4.15pm
£8.75 - 3.00pm-5.15pm
£9.75 - 3.00pm-6.00pm

School Meals
£2.50 a day £12.50 a week

Inset Days

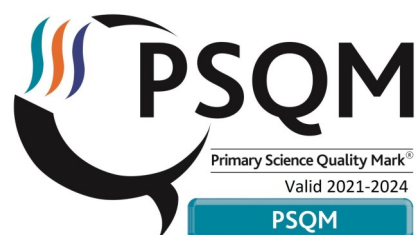
Please note the following inset days:

21st July 2021
2nd September 2021
3rd September 2021

PSQM Award

Fantastic news! New Hall has been awarded the Primary Science Quality Mark (PSQM Award)!

This award is for excellent Science leadership, teaching and learning across the school. A big well done to all of our superb scientists and hardworking staff for making this happen.



Summer Holiday Play Scheme

We will be running a summer holiday play scheme from Thursday 22nd July to Friday 13th August at a cost of £25 per day. If you are interested please call the school office for an application pack. The application deadline for places is Friday 2nd July 3pm.

Entry to Year 7 in September 2022

Reminder - Year 5 parents, you can now register your child for the optional entrance test for grammar schools by applying online before 4pm on 30th June 2021. The test will take place on 11th September 2021.

To register, parents need to visit www.birminghamgrammarschools.org

Healthy Lunch Boxes

We always want the best for our children. A healthy lunch box for those hungry tummies to see them through the day is vital. Here are some fabulous tips and ideas to make their lunch boxes the best.

<https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes>

Just a reminder fizzy drinks, chocolate and sweets etc are not acceptable to be included in lunch boxes.



Reminder to Parents

It is not suitable for false nails and make up to be worn by pupils at school.

Thank you



Sutton Coldfield Community Games



The Sutton Coldfield Community Games are back on July 10th and 11th at Wyndley Leisure Centre, 12pm - 5pm.

This year there will be a limit of 2000 people and 35 activities and the event is ticketed at £2.50 per person, with 3's and under free of charge

The Games team and sporting partners will be doing their very best to help everyone have a great community afternoon of fun, inspiration and medals!

Facebook @communitygamescic
Website www.suttongames.co.uk
Internet <https://www.trybooking.co.uk/>
BBOP



E-Safety

Remember: Stay safe online, just as you would when crossing the road. Ask yourself: 'Should I really share that?'

Home Talk - P4C at home

Last month we mentioned that in each newsletter you will find a document which will provide an interesting stimulus for the children to discuss with their family and friends at home.

They will discuss these topics at school in an assembly time. This is not extra homework but an opportunity for philosophical talk outside of school as so many of our children love our P4C lessons. We hope you enjoy it.

Please see the attachment on this email called 'Home Talk - Growing'.

Star Burst

Team Carpenter

20th May - Aziah
27th May - William
10th June - Nissi
17th June - Tiana



Team Degville

20th May - Henry
27th May - Isla
10th June - Leah
17th June - Isabella

Team Rainbird

20th May - Amaya
27th May - Lily
10th June - Tilly
17th June - Halle

Team Durning

20th May - Evie
27th May - Raja
10th June - Lacie Mai
17th June - Ibrahim

Team Lynch

20th May - Esme
27th May - Chloe
10th June - Harry
17th June - Amelie

Team White

20th May - Emmanuelle
27th May - Elenora
10th June - Riley
17th June - Agnes

Team Edwards

20th May - Zara
27th May - Damians
10th June - Connie
17th June - Tulula

Team Dudley

20th May - Jake
27th May - Layla
10th June - Joshua
17th June - Deborah

Team Toomer

10th June - Lisiyah
17th June - Kacey

Team Steadman

20th May - Hayyan
27th May - Ashton
10th June - Elsie
17th June - Daisy

Team Collis

20th May - Oliver
27th May - Aaron
10th June - Grace
17th June - Nikhil

Team Roberts

20th May - Rhylee
27th May - Maryan
10th June - Callum
17th June - Natalie

Team Thomas

20th May - Tobias
27th May - Abdoulaye
10th June - Haleema
17th June - Jayden



Achievement Card Completion

Well done to the following children who completed their achievement card. They have all worked so hard for their bronze/ silver/ gold achievement certificate in being a caring individual, collaborative learner, a creative mind and a critical thinker.

Team Carpenter:

Samuel - silver	Albie - silver
Talia - silver	Nylah - silver
Nissi - bronze	Laiten - silver
Sophie - silver	William - silver

Team Degvile:

Chukwuemerie - silver	Hugo - silver
Joshua - silver	Henry - silver
Isla - silver	Feryal - silver
Freddie - silver	Maisie - silver
Leah - silver	

Team Rainbird:

Liliana - silver	Elise - silver
Muhammad - silver	Amaya - gold
Lily - gold	Callum - silver
Amelia - gold	Zylond - gold
Dexter - gold	Halle - silver
Tilly - silver	Georgia - silver
Niyah - silver	Victoria - silver
Daniel - silver	Regan - silver
Sophie - silver	Willow - bronze
Lily-May - silver	Roaan - gold
Lilly-Anna - gold	Jack - gold
Scarlett - gold	Nina - gold

Team Lynch:

Kaylah - Rae - silver	Andreas - silver
Lottie - silver	Romiah - silver
Ava-Belle - silver	Chloe - silver
Amalie - silver	Milo - silver
Tayshelice - silver	Melody - silver
Frank - silver	
Naveah - silver	
Lawson - silver	
Esme - silver	
Sinead - bronze	

Team Durning:

Kenzo - silver	Natasia - silver
Porsha - silver	Jake - silver
Henry - silver	Jack - silver
Lily-Grace - silver	Samar - silver
Evie - silver	Lola - silver
Raja - silver	Ibrahim - bronze
Lacey-Mai - silver	Kaydn - silver
Yusra - silver	Eden - gold
Amira - silver	Rosalie - silver
Rylee - silver	Tamoye - silver
Alesha - silver	

Team Edwards:

Connie - silver	Zara - silver
Frankie - silver	Bella - silver
Laila - silver	James - silver

Team White:

Kian - silver
Oscar - bronze
Arnav - silver
Fatimah - silver
Brooke - silver

Team Dudley:

Maisey - silver
Filip - silver
Jake - silver
Sophie - silver

Team Toomer:

Khiarna - bronze
Angel - bronze

Team Collis:

Lily - Bronze	Mason - bronze
Trey - bronze	Matthew - silver
Amira - silver	Ziad - silver
Tilly - silver	Nikko - silver

Team Steadman:

Kawther - gold	Daniel - silver
Callum - bronze	Wade - bronze
Michael - silver	Ashton - bronze
Daisy - silver	

Team Roberts:

Natalie - bronze
Riley - bronze
Callum - bronze
Evelyn - bronze
Amir - bronze
Maryan - bronze
Katarina - bronze
Sacha - silver
Rhys - silver

Team Thomas:

Brandon - bronze
Lidia - bronze
Lucy - bronze
Isha - bronze
Ashton - bronze
Evie - bronze
Dyan - bronze
Haleema - silver
Tobias - bronze
Emilee - silver



Diary Dates for 2020/21* Academic Year

July

21st - School closed Inset day

School closed - Thursday 22nd July - Wednesday 1st September

Diary Dates for 2021/22* Academic Year

September 2021

2nd - School closed Inset Day

3rd - School closed Inset Day

6th - School open to pupils

October

Half term school closed - Monday 25th October - Friday 29th October

November

1st - School open to pupils

December

School closed - Monday 20th December - Monday 3rd January

January 2022

4th - School open to pupils

February

Half term school closed - Monday 21st February - Friday 25th February

28th - School open to pupils

March

April

School closed - Monday 11th April - Friday 22nd April

25th - School open to pupils

May

2nd - Bank Holiday school closed

3rd - School open to pupils

Half term school closed - Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June

June

6th - School open to pupils

July

School closed - Monday 25th July - Friday 2nd September

***Teacher training days to be added**

HomeTalk

thoughtful conversations for families and schools

Issue 44 – Growing

compiled by Topsy Page www.topsypage.com



photo of Cambodian rice farmers by Brad Collis, CC BY 2.0, via Wikimedia Commons

Note to parents/carers and teachers

This pack contains links to external websites. Whilst we take every care to make sure these are suitable, you may want to check the content before showing them to children.



To get HomeTalk emailed every week
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This week's focus is growing

Growing your own food is like printing your own money!



Ron Finley
urban food-growing activist

Plants give so much. They are beautiful to look at, nutritious to eat, exceptional at curing health issues, they provide homes & food for wildlife and SO much more.

Ellen Mary
gardening influencer

The love of gardening is a seed once sown that never dies.



Gertrude Jekyll
garden designer

I'm just as happy growing cabbages as the rarest plant in the world.



Monty Don
TV gardener

Thinking about growing

Caring thinking

How can I help a plant to grow strong and healthy?

Collaborative thinking

Who is involved in making sure I have fruit and vegetables to eat?



Creative thinking

How could I use plants to make something beautiful or useful?

Critical thinking

Should humans decide which plants grow where?



What plants could you grow?



Think **AHEAD**

Have you noticed any plants around you growing bigger?



Think **BACK**



CONNECT

What do trees and grass have in common?



DIVIDE

What are the differences between how plants grow and how animals grow?



LISTEN/LOOK

How many plants can you see growing in your neighbourhood – including very small ones?



ZOOM (in/out)

Why should humans care about seeds?

What does a seed do when it first starts to grow?

Discussion suggestions (age 3-5)

Stimulus



<https://youtu.be/gRS80BqZ0dc>

Time-lapse

This video shows how peppers grow. It is sped up to show four months in three minutes, so we can easily see what happens.

Talking Points

- What changes happen as the plant grows?
- What does the plant make itself out of?
- Would you rather watch a plant grow at normal speed in real life, or sped up on a video?

Activity

- Try planting a seed from a pepper (or a tomato) in some soil or compost. You will need to leave it in a warm place and keep it slightly damp. See if you get a little plant.
- If you don't have any compost, you could still put your seed on some damp tissue paper in a warm place and see if it tries to grow.

Discussion suggestions (age 6 - 9)

Stimulus



<https://youtu.be/wHMJl9CtMQ>

This video was made by someone who lives in a flat but wants a garden. Maybe someone else has a garden they could use?

(Note to grown-ups: We aren't suggesting you contact them – it's just for discussion.)

Talking Points

- Why do some people like to have a garden?
- Do you know anyone who doesn't have a garden, but still grows things?
- Should everybody be able to have a garden if they want one?

Activities

- Find some green spaces near where you live and have a look at them. Decide which ones you like, and why.
- If you know somebody who looks after a garden, offer to help them for an hour or two.

Discussion suggestions (age 10+)

Stimulus



<https://youtu.be/Angaelf78AQ>

The man who grew his own rainforest...

Talking Points

- What does the word 'development' mean in the video?
- Restoring a rainforest: good idea / bad idea?
- If you had \$250, would you rather spend it on restoring a rainforest, or something else?

Activity

- Watch this video about making a mini-rainforest in a jar: <https://youtu.be/y0u9k-MSo8U>.
- There may be some words you don't understand – try looking them up.
- Try making your own terrarium rainforest.

➤ More about HomeTalk, including previous editions

➤ Parent Talk Moves – tips for great conversations with your children

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Training opportunities for teachers, support staff and parents

P4C Plus Foundation course (12hrs)

Teaching that puts more thinking into learning

- Introduces you to **P4C Plus** and builds your skills over the first year of practice
- Equips you with a range of skills to use in P4C inquiries and throughout the curriculum
- Includes premium resources and teacher guide

Thinking Moves A – Z course (6hrs)

Making metacognition simple across the curriculum

- Shows you how **Thinking Moves** can enhance thinking in any subject, as well as in P4C inquiries
- Gives you practical guidance on how to embed Thinking Moves into learning
- Includes premium resources and handbook

Both courses available online or face-to-face, for individuals or whole-school teams

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