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ANGLESEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 21.10.26 – Parents' Evening
- 21.10.26 – Sibling & Family photographs
- 31.10.26 (8:00am) - Deadline for secondary school applications
- Online admissions open for Reception applications

MESSAGE FROM MR PEMBLETON



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the final week of this half term, here are some important reminders and updates from school.

Assembly Theme – Chef Ambrose and Spoons

This week's story is *The Mystery of the Messy Kitchen*, with an important message:
"Leave things in a better place than you found them!"
Children will be learning about taking responsibility, looking after our school, helping others and showing pride in their surroundings. Please encourage your child to practise this at home too!

School Photographs – Wednesday 21st October

We are pleased to offer individual and sibling photographs this year!
8.00–9.00am: Parents can bring siblings together for photographs, including children attending different school sites. Parents are responsible for bringing children to the photo session.
During the school day: Individual photographs and sibling photographs for children in the same building will take place.

Parents' Evening – Wednesday 21st October, 3.30–6.00pm

We look forward to welcoming families into school to celebrate children's achievements, look at their books and discuss learning and next steps.
Please book through the MyChildAtSchool (MCAS) app or speak to your child's teacher if you need help.

We want to speak to every family, so teachers will follow up with parents who are unable to attend.

Safe Touch – Respecting Personal Space

We are reminding children about keeping their hands to themselves, respecting personal boundaries and understanding that not everyone enjoys the same games or physical contact.
Please reinforce these important messages at home. Even when children are playing or being silly, everyone has the right to feel safe and comfortable.

Attendance – Let's Finish Strongly!

Our attendance this week was 95.7%, with our attendance for the year at 96%.

- Congratulations to our attendance stars:
- SL1 and SL2 – 100%
- 6R, 4O, 3A and 2P – 99%
- Nursery – 95%

Next week, we will have special attendance celebrations, including our Wheel of Names and surprise prizes!
Please help us finish the half term strongly by ensuring children attend school every day.

Important Dates

- Wednesday 21st October – School photographs and Parents' Evening
- Friday 23rd October – Last day of half term (normal finishing time)

Thank You!

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. We have a busy and exciting final week ahead, and we look forward to celebrating the children's learning and achievements with you.
Have a lovely weekend!
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IMPORTANT REMINDERS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

Lost Property

We have a huge amount of lost property that remains unclaimed and unlabelled. Please could all parents ensure that their child's clothes are clearly labelled with their name to help us return lost items to their owners. We will be putting the lost property out on the round table outside Year 2 at home time every day next week, so please do take a look and collect anything that belongs to your child. Thank you for your support!

Data checks

Your child will be bringing home their 'student data record'. Please amend/update any outdated information to ensure we have the most accurate record on file. When completed, please return the form back to the school office or their class teacher . Kind regards.

School admissions

You can now apply for your child's reception place for September 2027 online on Birmingham City Councils website from 1st October 2026 - Friday 15th January 2027 for your preferred school. Please ensure that you include details of any siblings attending your preferred school.

Apply online for your child to start Reception class in September 2027

I am writing to you because our records show that your child will be able to start school soon. By law, parents/carers must ensure that their child is receiving suitable full-time education at the beginning of the term after their fifth birthday. In Birmingham, however, your child can go to school in the September after his or her fourth birthday.

We ask you to visit **www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions** and submit an online application from 1 October 2026 and by **15 January 2027** (the final closing date). We strongly recommend that you ensure you read the 'Primary Admission Arrangements 2027' information (available on the same webpages) prior to submitting your application. In addition to this, most schools will hold open sessions where parents/carers can talk to teachers, view the school's own prospectus, etc. Some schools also require applicants to complete additional forms confirming their child's eligibility under the school's published admission arrangements. Please visit your preferred schools' websites for further details.

Online applicants will receive an immediate email confirmation when the application is submitted. Those online applicants who have not provided an email address will not receive an acknowledgement, so it is very important that you include an email address. If you do not receive an acknowledgement shortly after submitting your application, you should call Children's Services on 0121 303 1888 to confirm that it has been received.

Online applicants who submit their application with a valid email address will be sent an offer by email on 16 April 2027. Parents/carers who submitted an online application without a valid email address will be sent an offer letter by first class post, which should arrive from 16 April 2027 and should be delivered by the end of that week. Finally, please remember, you do not need to have the internet at home. You can apply online from any device with internet access or, if you are able to, from a computer whilst at work.

If you have any questions about your child starting school, please do not hesitate to contact Children's Services on 0121 303 1888, where staff will be pleased to offer their assistance.

https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/20119/school_admissions

Attendance – Reporting Absences

If your child is going to be absent from school, or has an appointment, you must contact the school office by 9.15am each day using one of the following methods:

Phone the school office:

KS2: 0121 464 4377

KS1: 0121 464 4388

Phone lines open at 8.30am.

Visit the school office in person (KS1 or KS2).

Report the absence via the My Child at School (MCAS) app.

Leave in Term-Time

Please remember that parents/carers should request and submit a Leave in Term-Time form from the school office before making arrangements to take their child out of school during term-time. Ideally, requests should be submitted at least two weeks before travelling.

Parents/carers will also need to provide the school with a copy of their flight documents where applicable.

Please be aware that taking a child out of school during term-time without authorisation may result in a penalty notice or fine being issued by the council.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support in helping us to keep our pupils safe and maintain good attendance.

SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Reminder: Transfer to Secondary School - September 2027

Families with children due to start secondary school in September 2027 (i.e. those children born between 1 September 2015 and 31 August 2016), **must** apply online for secondary school places.

The deadline for applications is **31 October 2026**, and places will be offered on 1 March 2027.

All the information families need to make their applications is on the council website https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions

The Council will be regularly sharing information about the application process on its social media channels throughout the application window. I would be grateful for your support if you could also help raise awareness of the process and the deadline.

To assist, please see attached a short parent carer facing briefing, poster, and link to a short video https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BzAlllyhBjY



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Completing this course will help women to proceed onto more advanced courses that lead to NVQ Level 2 qualifications. These are recognised by most employers and so can be very helpful if you are looking for a job.

The course will operate on a flexible basis most week days, afternoons and evenings. Course will starting in August until November 2026. Course will be taught on bilingual basis so women whose first languages include Urdu, Punjabi, Hindi and Bangladeshi will all be able to take part.

The Course is Free and all learning materials will be provided free of charge.

Course will be held at 245 Berners Street Lozells Birmingham B19 2DT
168 Fosbrooke Road Small Heath Birmingham B10 9JP

PLEASE TELEPHONE US TO APPLY FOR A PLACE

Z Vore 07866 42 1277 or R Hussain 07896 54 95 26

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This course is being supported by the **National Grid plc** through their Community Matters Fund - Futre Skills 2026 programme.