



NEWSLETTER

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Let's celebrate!

Here are the amazing children who have gone the 'extra mile' this week to meet our school expectations.

Our expectations are:

- 1) We are kind to one another
- 2) We work hard together
- 3) We are honest with each other

To celebrate their achievements the children have had the opportunity to wear one of our special T shirts for the day. This is what each T shirt says:

- 1) It's Cool To Be Kind
- 2) I worked Wonders
- 3) I did the right thing



We are so proud of the children we hope you are too!

Celebrating Success

This week the 'Best Attendance Cup' goes to **Wrens with 97.5%** attendance



Well done and thank you to parents for ensuring your child attends school everyday!

Swallows	97.03%
Chicks 1	94.74%
Robins	93.47%
Swifts	92.34%
Chicks 2	90%

Black History Month

What is the theme for 2023 Black History Month UK?



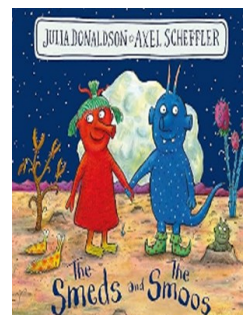
The theme of *Celebrating our Sisters* emphasises the vital role black women have played in shaping history, inspiring change, and building communities. This year the children will learn about some of the black women who have made incredible contributions to literature, music, fashion, sport, business, politics, academia, social and health care, and more.

Our theme for assembly

Each day the children and staff gather together in the school hall for a school assembly. Assemblies provide a fantastic opportunity to build a strong sense of community. They help reinforce our school's ethos, our values and our mission statement 'Love, Laugh, Learn'.

This week we are learning about the story of 'The Smeds and the Smoos' by Julia Donaldson.

The 'Smeds and the Smoos' is a very important book with a simple message; **our cultures and the way we look should never be something to separate us.**



World Mental Health Day Tuesday 10 October 2023

World Mental Health Day aims to spread awareness about mental health and the importance of looking after it! The day is a chance for everybody to talk about mental health and emphasise how important it is to reach out if you're struggling.



Kindness and Mental Health

Kindness doesn't just help other people, but it also improves our own physical and mental health. Whether we're giving kindness, receiving kindness or even just witnessing kindness, it can have a great effect on us! Kindness can also improve relationships. So, when we're kind to each other, we feel a connection that strengthens our relationships and helps us to create new ones. How great is that!

There are many other scientific benefits of kindness. In school we teach the children about the effects of kindness and how it empowers them to take charge of their own well-being.



Farewell and Good Luck



Mrs Harris has been successful in securing a full time administration position at another school and her last day in our school office will be Friday 13 October.

The governors, staff and children would like to thank Mrs Harris for her valuable contribution and wish her well in her new school.

Parent Workshop

Meet our Educational Mental health Practitioner Sarah Rushton in the school hall **Tuesday 10 October**. Sarah will deliver a short presentation and will then be available to discuss any concerns you have about your child's emotional health and well-being.

Workshop	Time
1	9:00-9:40
2	14:30-15:10

Smile!



The school photograph is a treasured staple of life. It has long been a means to mark the academic journey, something to look back upon with a smile, and an integral part of a family's history.

Tempest school photography will be in school on Wednesday 11 October to take individual and sibling photographs. Please remember to send in your reply slip.

Don't forget to ensure your child has brushed their hair and practiced their best smile ready for their photo to be taken!



Harvest Festival

We look forward to sharing our Harvest Service with you all at **Holy Trinity Church on Thursday 26 October at 9.15am**. The children will be performing a selection of songs for you .

If you would like to contribute to our Harvest collection please bring dry food or tins to school. They will be donated to a local food bank.



Thank you



Cauliflower Christmas Orders

We are sure you all loved seeing your child's amazing and creative Christmas artwork.

Don't forget all online orders must be placed by this weekend and all corresponding artwork should be returned to school by **Monday 9 October** so the school office can send off ready for your products to be produced.



Important Reminders

To report your child's absence call the school office on 01952 387860 before 8:50am. Should you require to collect your child early from school for an appointment could you please bring an appointment card or letter into the school office when collecting.



In order to keep your child safe if we have not been notified in advance of any change in collection arrangements we will not allow your child to leave without contacting you first.



When dropping off and collecting children we ask parents to park with consideration for local residents, other road users and most importantly for children's safety. We ask parents not to access the school car park when collecting or dropping off children at anytime. Parking is available at Oakengates Leisure Centre.



A reminder that adults and children must dismount from all wheeled vehicles at the school gate, so that everyone remains safe. Scooters and bikes can be left in the racks provided.



Children should not use the adventure playground before or after school. If parents allow children to go on the equipment they do so at their own risk.



Parent View

How are we doing ? We need your views please. Parent View is an online questionnaire for you to give your views about how we are doing as a school, at any time of the year. Your feedback is important to us and helps us plan priorities for the coming year.

Please click on the link below to visit the Parent View website to share your views.

www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk

It is a quick and simple process:

1. Log in or register your email address as a new user.
2. You will be sent an email with a temporary password to access the site.
3. You will then be given the opportunity to create your own password.
4. Search for our school.

Answer the simple questions.

Thank you.



Dates for your diary

Date	Event
Oct	Black History month - <i>Celebrating our sisters</i>
9-13 Oct	Mental Health Awareness week
10 Oct	World mental Health Day
11 Oct	Tempest school photographs
16 Oct	Y2 Cross Country Event at WWJ
19 Oct	Y2 Edgmond Hall Parent Meeting 9.00am or 5.30pm
23 Oct	Rev Debbie to visit The Nest—Harvest
23 Oct	Rhythmicity Drum Workshops
24/25 Oct	Y2 Residential visit to Edgmond Hall
26 Oct	Harvest Festival Holy Trinity Church
27 Oct	Whole school flu immunisations
27 Oct	End of Autumn half term
6 Nov	Autumn 2nd term starts
6-10 Nov	Talk Money Week
7 Nov	Nest and YR Diwali workshop
13-17 Nov	Anti Bullying Week
13 Nov	Odd Socks Day
13-17 Nov	The Nest World Nursery Rhyme Week
13-17 Nov	Eat Well Project Workshops
14 Nov	Raising Awareness of CSE Workshops
17 Nov	Children in Need—non uniform
20-24 Nov	Parent / Teacher Consultations
23 Nov	Y1 Educational Visit to Ironbridge
30 Nov	Christmas Fair
5 Dec	Y2 Victorian Day
7 Dec	YR Educational visit—Weston Park
11 Dec	EYFS Nativity—parents and toddlers
12 Dec	EYFS Nativity—Parents only
13 Dec	Y2 Educational visit—Pantomime
No date set yet	KS1 Christmas Celebration—Parents and toddlers
14 Dec	KS1 Christmas Celebration—Parents only
19 Dec	Carols Around the Tree—Holy Trinity Church
19 Dec	Farm on Wheels—The Nest & YR
20 Dec	Christmas Lunch
20 Dec	Christmas Jumper Day
22 Dec	Last Day Autumn Term
8 Jan	PD Day
9 Jan	First Day of Spring Term

Our Learning this week

Reception

All children performed a poem for National Poetry Day during a whole school assembly. The children in Reception performed the rhyme 'Tommy Thumb'.



Year 1

As part of our Geography topic, Year 1 went on a local walk on Church Road. The children were brilliant at talking about the different features of their environment they could see, as well as talking about how homes have changed from the past. We also got the chance to be scientists when spotting different signs of autumn!



Year 2



This week the year 2 children have used the gymnastic stations to explore how to travel at different heights using low and high movements.