



March has been an action packed month so far with much more still to come.

We will celebrate Red Nose Day on Friday 15th March. The Book Fair will be in school from the 18th-21st March.

EYFS will be having a Storyteller visit them for an exciting fun day.

Parents Evening is on 20th March, please ensure that you have booked your slot on MCAS. The times available will be from 1pm-6pm.

Easter Activities

Easter Breakfast 8:15-9:15am - 20th March

Easter Bonnet Parade EYFS/KS1 - 22nd March

Egg Decorating competition KS2 - 22nd March



We aim for all children to achieve 96% or above attendance.

If your child is absent from school please report to the school office 0121 675 0618 or send an email to enquiry@slade.bham.sch.uk



NI
85.37%

IFB
92%

3P
96.67%

5B
92.18%

RE
94.50%

IG
90.80%

3B
96.83%

5EP
96.9%

RB
90.25%

2G
91%

4S
95%

6B
94.17%

RR
90.63%

2J
94.22%

4AT
97%

6ZB
94.83%

99 Club Progress

4AT

44 club - Mohammed

55 club - Sophie, Tabinda, Zimal

88 club - Zinedine

99 club - Aminah

3P

11 club - Danish, Sirhaan

22 club - Nabeeha

33 club - Minsa, Jedidah, Aakifah, Rumaysa

44 club - Yusuf, Abu-Turab

55 club - Ayaan S

2J

11 club - Harris, Sufiyan,
Madonna, Czarvir, Sameer, Fatima,
Amayah

22 club - Aaliyah, Jacky, Yahya,
Juhayna

Year 6 Paris Trip



What an amazing time Year 6 have had in Paris. Climbing the Eiffel Tower, visiting the Stade de France, Fontainebleau, celebrating Hamza's birthday and using our French language skills to order crepes at the market. Thank you to Miss Bridge and Mr Minhas for looking after the children



Bienvenue en FRANCE
Welcome to FRANCE



What is County Lines?



County lines is increasingly becoming a huge safeguarding concern for children and young people. 90% of police departments have seen an increase in county lines activity in their area. Criminal activity is a serious issue in the UK with 46,000 children involved in gangs. In 2022 there were 478 cases of modern slavery reported in Birmingham involving children with many of these criminal exploitation and county lines related. (<https://www.childrenssociety.org.uk>)

County lines is a type of criminal exploitation where children and young people are groomed by gangs for criminal activity such as selling or storing drugs and weapons and getting transported usually to remote coastal and market towns to traffic drugs.

Other ways children and young people may be criminally exploited include; trafficking, gang and knife crime, financial fraud and sexual exploitation. Children are groomed and then often stuck paying back debts to these gangs and forced into criminal activity.

Young people in secondary school are most targeted by gangs but children as young as 6 have been groomed into county lines.

Even if younger children aren't initially selling or moving drugs they are likely to be groomed and exposed because gangs see them as unlikely to be caught or suspected.

Signs to look out

- Often missing from school, home or care
- Unable or willing to explain where they have been
- Out for long periods of time where they are unreachable
- Having money, new clothes, phones which they can't explain
- Travelling to locations you wouldn't expect to find them
- e.g. coastal, rural towns, even big cities.
- Sudden changes in personality or behaviour such as becoming more withdrawn or acting out and being aggressive.
- Having relationships likely secretive with older people who may often be dominant and controlling towards the young person.



SPOT THE SIGNS OF COUNTY LINES
Children and vulnerable adults are at risk of exploitation from gangs. This could include...

- Frequent going missing without explanation or being found in unfamiliar areas
- Unexplained acquisition of money, clothes or mobile phones
- No valid receipt of bank or financial cards
- Relationships with controlling, older individuals or gang members
- Leaving home or care without explanation
- Restricted contact with family, friends or associated groups
- Financial concerns
- Significant decline in school performance
- Significant change in emotional wellbeing



What are we doing as a school to raise awareness?

The school has dedicated a week to educating staff and children on county lines starting 4th March. Things we are doing include;

- Our PCSO Duncan Long will be holding a workshop for years 4,5 and 6 to promote awareness and understanding of county lines and where to access advice.
- All staff will be receiving a safeguarding briefing on county lines, how to spot signs and relevant information
- All parents will be receiving this newsletter with access to useful links and information

Where to access support if you are worried about a child?

- If a child is in immediate danger or risk call 999
- Contact your local children services- <https://www.birminghamchildrenstrust.co.uk/contact>



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CHILDREN'S TRUST**

Useful organisations for gaining information:

- Crime stoppers helpline 0800 555 111 and website <https://crimestoppers-uk.org>
- NSPCC Helpline 0808 800 5000 and website <https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/child-abuse-and-neglect/county-lines/>
- Children's Society offers a range of support, training and information on county lines and child exploitation as well as guides for parents <https://www.childrensociety.org.uk>
- Follow your organisations child protection procedures, Slade's is linked here > <https://slade.bham.sch.uk/document/2472#slade-primary-safeguarding-and-child-protection-policy-2023-24/>



CrimeStoppers.

0800 555 111

100% anonymous. Always.

CEOP Workshop with Duncan Long



We would like to thank all the parents who were able to attend the parent workshop with PCSO Duncan Long. We hope that you were able to learn more on the dangers of child exploitation and online safety.

Duncan will be continuing to deliver workshops to children in years 4, 5 and 6 to promote awareness and understanding of county lines and where to seek advice.

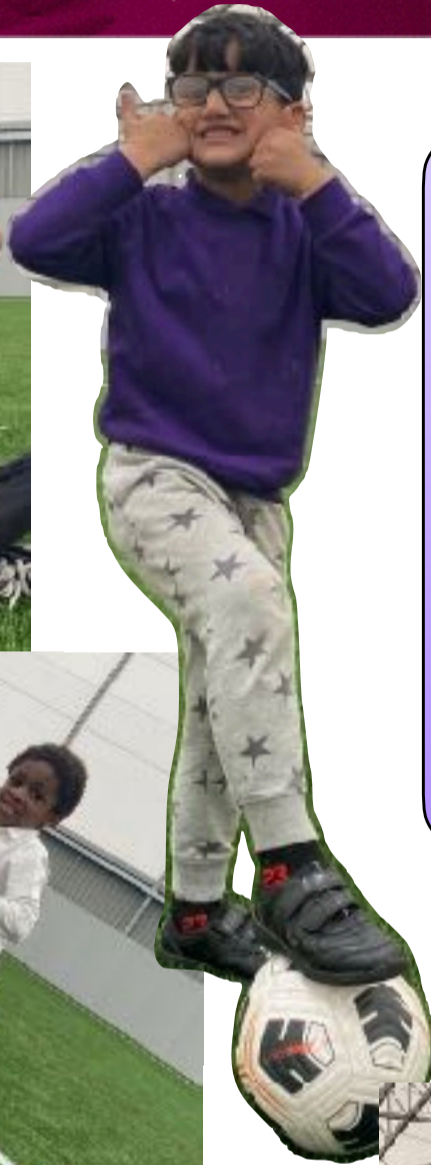
On 21st March, Duncan will also be delivering workshops to Yr 4,5 & 6 on knife crime.





- Research shows that pupils that read more, achieve more in all subjects.
- In the past, reading plus has enabled some year 6 pupils to achieve ARE in their SATS when they weren't expected too.
- ReadingPlus is a passive tool for parents. Our pupils should be reading with their parents after school every day, but this isn't always possible. Reading plus asks pupils comprehension and vocabulary questions so parents don't have to. They just need to ensure that it's being used at home.
- The expectation is 30 minutes every week day or 2.5 hours spread across the week.





Year 1 had a fantastic afternoon at their Football Fun Session when they visited AVFC Academy.



Year 5 have experienced inspiring workshops and skills festival, empowering women in sport and celebrating all of their success.

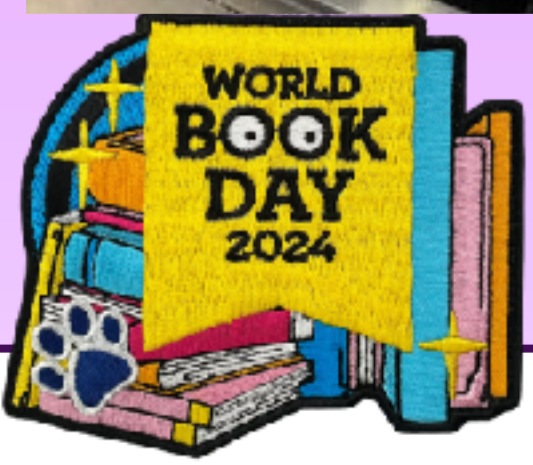
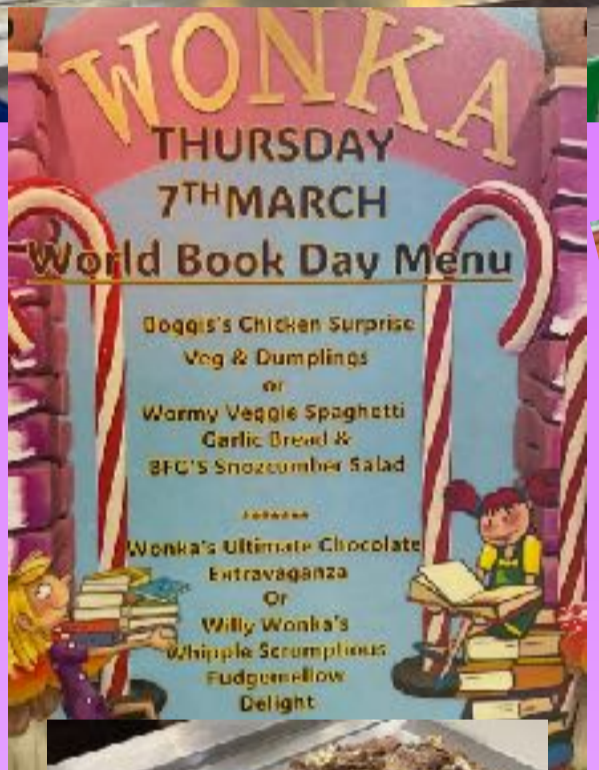


Little People, **BIG DREAMS**

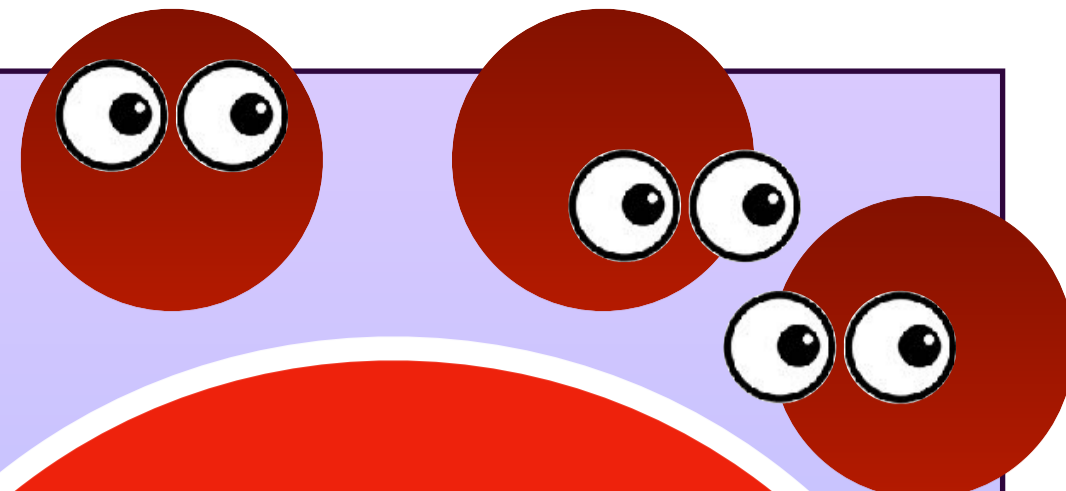
Be Bold, Be Brave, **DREAM BIG!**



An amazing World Book Day at Slade. Such creativity and enthusiasm brought joy of reading to life and the children some amazing inspirational work throughout the day.



RED NOSE DAY



On Friday 15th March we will be taking part in Red Nose Day celebrations. We will be inviting children to wear something red for a 50p donation and have their noses painted red for an extra 50p.

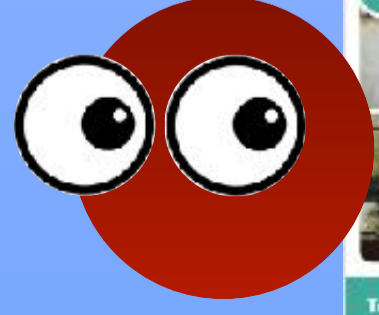


HOW DOES MUSIC MAKE YOU FEEL?

For some people, it can be life changing.

<p>1</p> <p>JACOB RILEY BRENNAN BRANDON</p> <p>Meet Jacob, Riley, Brennan and Brandon. They have all used songs when growing up and struggled in school. They often felt angry, frustrated and hopeless.</p>	<p>2</p> <p>LOWE LE VACK</p> <p>This is Lowe Le Vack - a rapper and poet. He works for Waves Music Therapy, an organisation founded by Cindy Beal that uses music to improve the lives of children and young people in need of care.</p>
<p>3</p> <p>Jacob and Brennan go to school together and their favourite thing to do is rap together. They love working together to write, perform, produce and record their own rap tracks.</p>	<p>4</p> <p>RILEY BRANDON LOWE LE VACK</p> <p>When you're doing rap you can be yourself.</p> <p>Thanks to their rap sessions with Lowe, all the boys have picked up, skills in confidence and have some good friends.</p>

- THINK**
- How do you feel when you listen to music, with it with friends, play an instrument, or dance to music?
- Can you think of a time when music has made you really happy?
 - Can it help people who need 'the caring'?
 - Do you use music to express your feelings?
- TALK**
- Share your ideas with a friend. Talk about:
- How it makes you feel
 - How you use music to express your feelings
 - How rap has changed the next of the days in the film
- DO**
- Go to a film, talk about how Waves Music Therapy funded by Power, Mott, Long, Lister and young people.
- Do you think it's important?
 - What could you and your friends do to raise money for Red Nose Day?
 - Can you imagine a musical fundraiser?





Working with professionals and families in:

- ERDINGTON
- PERRY COMMON
- PYPE HAYES
- STOCKLAND GREEN
- CASTLE VALE
- GRAVELLY HILL
- KINGSTANDING

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Birmingham
Children's Partnership 

FAMILIES NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2024

route 2 wellbeing

**You can access services
across Birmingham using
Route 2 Wellbeing**

Route 2 Wellbeing is a site which allows people to search up different activities and services local to them.

Find out about free services all across Birmingham TODAY!
Just go to <https://r2wbirmingham.info/home> and search up services you need.

Follow us on Social Media!

**We post about upcoming training,
new provisions and services, and how to get day-to-day
support on our social media!**

**It is a great way for families to stay up-to-date on new
provisions in Erdington.**

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ErdingtonEarlyHelp/>

**Twitter:
<https://twitter.com/ErdingtonFam>**





Approved Food is an online supermarket which sells high-quality products either short dated or past their 'best before' date, that have been discontinued or had their packaging redesigned, at reduced prices. To help customers fight the effects of rising food prices, Approved Food stocks family favourites

- from Cadbury, Coca-Cola, and Haribo to Belvita, Pringles and Tilda - at up to 70% off. Customers can also shop household items and products through the Approved Food website, such as kitchen roll, laundry detergent, pet food, and even high-end cosmetics and toiletries like Olaplex.

Click here for more information: <https://www.approvedfood.co.uk/>

The "Help through Hardship" helpline is a free phone service delivered in partnership with Citizens Advice. Their friendly advisers have already helped thousands of people who are worried about money and are here to help you access the support you need. Their advisers can help you get the support you need if you're struggling to afford essentials like food, heating, and toiletries. They can advise which benefits you're entitled to, guide you through any claims, and help you with emergency issues.

'Help through Hardship' phone number: - 0808 2082138

Lines are open Monday to Friday from 9am to 5pm.

Closed on Public Holidays.

The Citizens Advice logo consists of a dark blue speech bubble containing the words 'citizens advice' in white, lowercase, sans-serif font.

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advice



With the holidays comes a time where young people's online activity increases. For tips and tricks on keeping your child safe online, visit

Safer Internet Centre:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>



You can also watch NSPCC's workshop on youtube for free, using this link: **<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MY5NDhvVkg4>**



Shelter

Shelter Housing support and Advice drop in sessions at your local Children's Centre
Free homeless, Housing, Temporary accomodation support

Bookable 30 minutes drop in session are as follows



Featherstone Children's Centre.

29 Highcroft Road, Edington, Birmingham, B23 6AU
0121 752-1870
9.00am-12.00pm
8th of January 2024 Monday
12th of February 2024 Monday
12th of March 2024 Monday
8th of April 2024 Monday
13th of May 2024 Monday
10th of June 2024 Monday
15th of July 2024 Monday
12th of August 2024 Monday
9th of September 2024 Monday
14th of October 2024 Monday
11th of November 2024 Monday
9th of December 2024 Monday



Lakeside Children's Centre.

Lakes Road Edington, Birmingham, B23-7LY
0121 752-1970
9.00am-12.00pm
26th of January 2024 Friday
23rd of February 2024, Friday
22nd of March 2024, Friday
26th of April 2024, Friday
24th of May 2024, Friday
29th of June 2024, Friday
29th of July 2024, Friday
23rd of August 2024, Friday
27th September 2024, Friday
25th of October 2024, Friday
22nd of November 2024, Friday
20th December 2024 Friday



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FREE COURSE

Introduction to Construction

COURSE START DATES:

- Thursday 18th January 2024
- Thursday 15th February 2024
- Thursday 14th March 2024
- Thursday 11th April 2024
- Thursday 9th May 2024
- Thursday 6th June 2024



YOU'LL GET...

- CSCS training (Construction Skills Certification Scheme).
- H&S training (Health and Safety).
- Obtain your CSCS Green Card to work in construction.
- Routes into employment.

Our qualified trainers support you every step of the way. 80% of people find work or further training within 2 weeks of completing our course. Ages 16-25.

GO FOR IT! Call 0121 439 6780 or email: hello@krtbirmingham.co.uk

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Cadent Foundation Green Doctor

Groundwork has partnered with the Cadent Foundation to support households across the UK to take control of their energy bills and stay warm and well.

The 'Cadent Foundation Green Doctor' programme will fund Groundwork Green Doctors – energy saving experts – to provide bespoke, tailored advice to help households stay warm, stay well, save money on their household bills and reduce carbon.

For more information: [LINK](#)

Or refer yourself now:
<https://groundwork.my.salesforce-sites.com/CadentEnquiryForm>



Beacon Services have developed an incredible app to help you feel closer to your family. The app is full of ways to incorporate play into your day, as well as suggestions for supporting your child to open up to you when they are distressed, you can download it for free using the QR code below:

luminous



Beacon offer a wide range of support to families, focusing on support children who have experienced trauma or with SEND. Find out more about what they do here: <https://www.beaconservices.org.uk/>

Bring it on Brum is back with FREE holiday provision for children on Free School Meals or with SEND.

STEP 1



1. Go to www.bringitonbrum.co.uk and click **BOOK NOW**

2. Enter your criteria E.g Location, participant age, date and click

SEARCH

To view the session details click

MORE INFORMATION

3. Once you've found a holiday club you like, click **BOOK NOW** and choose a date and time that works for you

4. Enter your child's details- you can add more than one child

You may need to add 'Supplementary Information'. Please write 'none' in any fields that do not apply.

Repeat to add more sessions!



STEP 2



1. Once you have chosen all your sessions, go to your cart and click **CHECKOUT**

2. To complete your booking you will need to create a log-in. You can then view/ edit and add any additional bookings at any time by logging in.

STEP 3

1. Click

COMPLETE BOOKING

Create a Log-In

- Add your details
- Sign up for session reminders
- Enter your child/s details
- Sign up to our newsletter

No longer able to attend your session?

Please contact the organiser if you are unable to attend one of your booked activities. Places are limited and the venue will be able to open up the space for other children and young people.

To book, go to their website:

<https://www.bringitonbrum.co.uk/>

and follow the step-by-step guide ->

On the next page you can see some of our local provisions over the Easter Holiday, but please go to Bring it On Brum to see the full range of provision local to you.






EASTER SPORTS & MEDIA CAMP 2024

Does your child qualify for free school meals? If so they are entitled to a fully funded place to our action packed sports camp at South Aston Reformed Church, B6 5BN, from 10am - 2pm every day! Non-eligible children £20 per day.

Week 1
25th, 26th - 28th March

Week 2
2nd - 5th April

Lunch, Fresh fruit and refreshments provided daily.

Places are limited, so act fast!

Activities include:

- AQA Learning
- Football
- Bowling
- Rock Climbing
- Laser Tag
- Trampoline
- Team Building
- Broadcasting
- T-Shirt Printing
- Hot Pressing
- Cooking

Scan the QR code or use the link
<https://forms.gle/AGJ4zE5VCDytEgLw9>
 email jessica@pucic.co.uk for further details





FREE CHILDRENS HOLIDAY CAMPS WITH FOOD

Time: 9am - 1pm
Location: Bishop Walsh Catholic School, Wylde Green Road, Sutton Coldfield, B76 1QT
Age: 5 - 16

Tuesday 2nd April - Friday 5th April

<https://microsportscampslimited.coordinate.cloud/project/5314>



To book or for more information please email charlotte@micro-sports.co.uk



£40

FREE SCHOOL MEAL KIDS GO FREE!

REGISTER ONLINE!
NUTRI-FUN.CO.UK

NUTRIFUN SPRING CLUB

Join our Winter Club for kids aged 6-16! We've got a super fun programme that mixes learning about healthy living with awesome activities. From sports and arts to mindfulness and special sessions with cool instructors, it's a blast! We're all about building a positive vibe with Food and Fitness.

FREE Breakfast & Lunch Morning Mindfulness
 Afternoon Affirmations Health & Nutrition
 Creative Activities Sports & Games

MONDAY 25TH - THURSDAY 28TH MARCH
11AM - 3PM AGES 6 - 16
 THE CHRIS BRYANT CENTRE
 300 RESERVOIR RD. BIRMINGHAM
 ERDINGTON B23 6DA
 CONTACT: INFO@NUTRIFUN.CO.UK



YEARN 2B FREE HOLIDAY CLUB 6-12 YEARS

DATE:
 Tuesday 2nd April
 Wednesday 3rd April
 Thursday 4th April
 Friday 5th April

VENUE: 11am to 3pm
ERDINGTON METHODIST CHURCH
WESLEY ROAD
ERDINGTON B23 6TX

STAFF DBS CHECKED

PLEASE NOTE: PRE-BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL VIA BRING IT ON BRUM WEBSITE.

FREE SCHOOL MEAL CHILDREN WILL BE GIVEN PRIORITY

SUBSIDED COST: £5 PER DAY FOR NON-FSM

**PLACES ARE LIMITED
BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT**

TO BOOK
 Email: yearn2be@gmail.com
 Call: 07464 029215
 Facebook: Yearn To Be
 We will direct you to the Bring it on Brum site to book

ACTIVITIES
 Multi Sports
 Basketball
 Arts & Crafts
 Performing
 Team Activities
 Cooking
 Self Confidence
 Building Activities

BENEFITS
 Improve Well Being
 Physical Fitness
 Confidence Building
 Improve Self-Esteem



The school gates open daily at 8.40am and lessons start promptly at 8.55am. Please make sure your child is on time so that they do not miss any of their learning time.

Nursery AM 8.30-11.30am.

Nursery PM 12.15-3.15pm.

If your child is unwell and not be able to attend school, it is essential that parents call the office

0121 675 0618 from 8am or email enquiry@slade.bham.sch.uk.

If we do not have contact and are unable to contact you this may become a safeguarding concern.

School Uniform

Purple jumper or cardigan

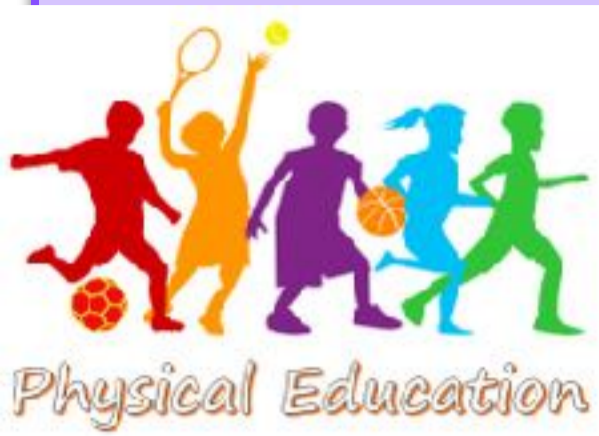
White polo shirt or blouse

Grey trousers/skirt/dress

Black shoes (no trainers)

Please can you ensure that your child's uniform is labelled with their name and class.

Children should not wear jewellery to school. Where they have their ears pierced, they should only wear stud earrings.



PE / SWIMMING KIT(Yr2-Yr6)

A plain white t-shirt - with or without logo

Black shorts/joggers

Trainers/black pumps

Girls - One piece swimming costume

Boys - Above knee trunks

Towel

No earrings are to be worn on swimming days



School Term Dates



SPRING TERM 2024

HALF TERM - Monday 12th February - Friday 16th
February 2024

Term Ends - Friday 22nd March

SUMMER TERM 2024

Staff Training Day - Monday 8th April 2024

Term Starts - Tuesday 9th April 2024

May Bank Holiday - Monday 6th May 2024

HALF TERM - Monday 27th May - Friday 31st
May 2024

Staff Training Day - Friday 5th July 2024

Term Ends - Friday 19th July 2024

Staff Training - Monday 22nd July 2024