

### Newsletter June 2024







We are extremely pleased to share some wonderful news with you all. Mrs Long gave birth to a beautiful boy on Monday 10th June. Both baby and Mrs Long are doing well: Mrs Long has said he has been an absolute dream since arriving so let's hope this continues!

Congratulations to you and your family Mrs. Long, from all the community at Slade 💙

### School Term Dates



### SUMMER TERM 2024

It's a busy one to end the year, here are key dates.

Nursery Police visit (in school) - 18th June

Community support event 21st June (9-10.30)

Year 4 Tamworth Castle Visit - 25th June

Summer Fair - 26th June

Year | Fire Workshop - 1st July (1.30-3)

Year 4 Fire Brigade Visit - 1st July (10-11)

SEND Parent Tea and Talk afternoon - 2nd July (2.30)

Transition Day - 3rd July

General Election - 4th July(separate info to follow regarding year group closures)

Staff Training Day - 5th July

Youth Proms Visit - 9th July

Starcity Visit - 9th July

Drop in Parents Evening Work share drop in - 10th July (3.30-5.30)

Sports Day (weather dependant) - 12th July

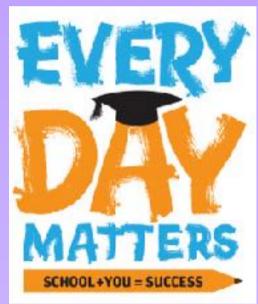
End of year disco (letter coming to parents to book) - 16th July (4-5pm)

Year 6 Leavers Assembly - 19th July (9-10)

Term Ends - Friday 19th July

Staff Training - Monday 22nd July

# "THIS MORNING, HE WAS WORRIED ABOUT SCHOOL... BUT LOOK AT HIM NOW!" MOMENTS MATTER, ATTENDANCE COUNTS! HIM Government Heard to the folicestion #ub to find out more.





### Altendance

Please can you ensure that non-emergency doctors, dental and optician appointments are booked outside school hours.

For any other medical appointments, we ask for evidence via letter, appointment card or email. This is to support your child's authorised absence.

All lessons start promptly at 9.00am. Please can you ensure your child arrives by 8.55am through their allocated gate to avoid any learning time being missed.

We want our children in school and learning. Please support us with this by avoiding any unauthorised leave during term time. This ensures your children do not miss out on any learning.

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

If your child is absent from school please report to the school office 0121 675 0618

### 99 Club Progress

4AT

44 club - Raheem

66 club - Asher

77 dub - Aaliyah

88 club - Ugbah

99 dub - Ethan

Bronze club - Vincent, Harris

Silver club - Aizah, Dannie

Year 4 have been working hard at practising their times tables and completing the Multiplication Tables Check during the last couple of weeks. Well done Year 4.

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22 club - Ephraim, Samah, Adam 33 club - Aleeza, Hoseyn 55 club - Aizah, Dahlia 66 club - Zara



## Community Support Event

All families are welcome to join and connect with some amazing agencies we have in school on 21st June. Come along with family and friends and see what support is available to you within our community. Refreshments will be provided tea/ coffee and biscuits. We look forward to seeing you.

### Friday 21st June 2024, 9 - 10.30am



Duncan Long



Nagzma Ahktar/Rebecca Lee





Emma Walls



Fural Suffina



Olivea Syder



Shantel Carty







Kelly Hunt



Indi Sohkey



Jas Sansara









# AVFC Foundation - Author take over morning

YEAR 5 HAD SO MUCH FUN TODAY! Thank you to Aston Villa for a fabulous morning. We met the author Jamie Russell, who showed us how he writes his wonderful books and gave us a lesson in how to write our own.

We learnt more about how reading books and gaming is good for our well being.







Over the next few weeks we will be completing exciting fundraising events beginning with 'B' to support the Batten Disease Family Association. The children will be designing, making and selling or completing exciting charity events for the BDFA.





### EYFS ASH END FARM TRIP







Nursery and Reception had a wonderful day at Ash End Farm. They fed the animals, petted the chicks and played on the farm playground.





# Let's talk Makaton

We hope that you are enjoying learning the new Makaton signs. If you are yet to see Miss Wallen, head over to the 'X' (Twitter) and she will be teaching a new sign each week.

Have a go and let's all expand our knowledge together.





Children at Slade Primary School in Erdington are benefiting from the Makaton sign language programme that uses signs and symbols to support communication and literacy.

Introducing Makaton's 'Sign of the Week' initiative at the school, part of the respected Arthur Terry Learning Partnership (ATLP), is the bright idea of Primary South Hub SENCo (Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator) Marie Smith.

Maria has vast experience of working with children with special educational needs (SEND). She has previously been an Early Years SEND teacher in Walsall, led a primary autism base for Dudley Council and most recently worked as a SEND consultant across the West Midlands.

Makaton helps many people, including those who struggle with understanding concepts, children with SEND and those who may need support with I teracy skills and their ability to communicate their needs non-verbally. It is particularly useful for children with English as an additional language.



Marie explained: "I've used Makaton previously and wanted to roll its Sign of the Week nitiative out across Slade in a coherent way. Slade has a large SEND population (15%) and more than 60 per cent of our SEND pupils have speech and language needs, autism or are awaiting an autism assessment. Makaton is important to help all our children have a voice.

"Makaton is a great augmentative and alternative communication system for children with complex needs. We introduce one or two words per week and all class teachers and parents/carers are emailed these weekly.

"We have started with the basics to help children communicate their needs such as help and goodbye and 'help me' and 'want more' and have moved on to things such as feeling hungry or thirsty.

"We want all pupils to have that communication vocabulary because it's a real-life skill. We want all of our children to be the best communicators that they can be in school and when they are out and about in the community."

The project may only be in its infancy at the Slade Road school, but Marie can already see the impact it is having.

She added: "Makaton signing has fostered a real sense of belonging at Slade, including among parents who we keep involved via email and Twitter. The shop opposite the school is even showing the sign of the week in the window.

"Pupils have been very receptive and enthusiastic and we are very keen to roll it out to children across our Primary South Hub of schools and hopefully eventually the entire ATLP."

Visit Home (makaton.org) for more information about accessing Makaton's free resources.





As much as we love telling you about all of the AMAZING things that your children do whilst in school we want to hear from you.

Any achievements, activities or celebrations that you would like to share with Slade and all our families, please do. We would love to hear and celebrate with you.

Send any information/photos to enquiry@slade.bham.sch.uk with the subject title 'my magical moments'



We can't wait to see and share.

A big congratulations to Mahayla and Eshaan from Year 2 who are proud to share their medals and trophies that they won outside of school from Dance and Football. Keep up the amazing work:)

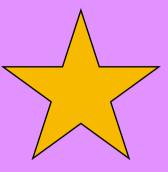




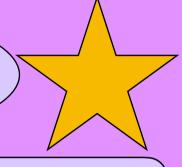
### Trips



Year 2 - Woodlands 12th June Year 4 - Tamworth Castle 25th June Year 6 - Star City 9th July Choir - Youth Proms 2024 9th July



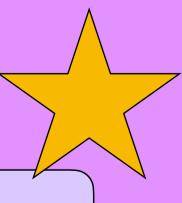
### After school Clubs



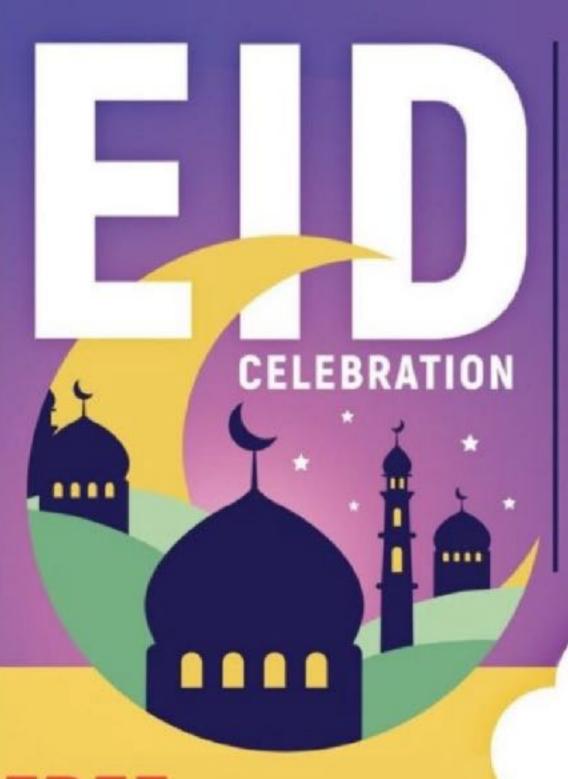
Singing Club - Tuesday 3.30 - 4.30pm MasterChef Year 3/4 - Tuesday 3.30 - 4.30pm Chess Club Year 5/6 - 3.30 - 4.30pm AVFC Year 2 - Thursday 3.30 - 4.30pm Steel Pans - Thursday 3.30 - 4.15pm Circus skills Reception - 3.30 4.30pm



### Swimming



5B - Tuesdays 6B & 6ZB - Wednesdays



SATURDAY 22<sup>ND</sup>JUNE 2024

12PM-3PM

### LIGHTHOUSE

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CENTRE

@The Lighthouse Alma Way, B19 2LN

Birmingham Children's Trust in partnership



FREE FOR ALL AGES

LIVE DRUMMERS • DJ • MEHNDI (HENNA ART)

FOOD/DESSERTS AND CLOTHES STALLS • SPORTS ACTIVITIES

BOUNCY CASTLE • FACE PAINTING/GLITTER ART

SLUSH MACHINE & CANDY FLOSS • FREE HOT FOOD AND CHAI

ASIAN SWEETS & SPECIAL GUEST APPEARANCE AT 1PM













We are taking part in a walk to school initiative which aims to improve children's health and well-being whilst reducing congestion on our roads outside of school.

There is a different badge each month for all children who actively travel to school at least once a week (II to collect). We will have a launch assembly to spread the word and get children excited about collecting their badges.

To measure the impact of the walk to school challenge, teachers will be keeping a track. The children will need to let their teacher know how they travelled to school.

