



Nechells Weekly Newsletter



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w/c Monday 19th October 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

We have come to the end of the first half term of this academic year. It has been quite a learning curve for pupils, staff and parents adapting to the new measures in place but I am proud how everyone has taken them onboard and continue to adhere to them. Thank you for engaging in the parents evening calls that took place this week, I hope you found these a useful and informative opportunity to discuss your child's learning and progress.

Pupils have been learning about and celebrating Black History month this month by completing various activities in class. On Wednesday our canteen supplier Aspens provided a special lunchtime meal (photos on page 2) for staff and pupils. The pupils were impressed with the quality of the food, with many raving about the jerk chicken.

Just a reminder that the school is closed tomorrow for all year groups, apart from Year 6 pupils, due to the Teacher training day. If you need to contact school over half-term, please use the email address: Nechells.info@e-act.org.uk.

I would like to wish you all a safe, relaxing and enjoyable half term and look forward to welcoming you back on **Tuesday 3rd November**.

Mrs L Mahony
Headteacher



Phonics and Reading Parent/Carer Workshops

Two reading workshops have been filmed by Mrs Mellor (our Early Years and Key Stage One lead) and Mr Camps (our Key Stage Two lead). Please have a look at both workshops as our Early Years and Key Stage One workshop looks at the importance of early reading through phonics.

The workshops can be found by typing in the following links:

Early Years/Key Stage One: <https://youtu.be/DsFW5lvPFTU>

Key Stage Two: <https://youtu.be/TgP41nrmqzg>

Further details can be found in the letter sent out to parent today.

We would appreciate your feedback, please complete the survey by following the link in the letter.

The infographic shows the Local COVID Alert Level is HIGH. It lists various activities and their restrictions:

- Social Contact:** 1 household / bubble indoors. Rule of six outdoors.
- Weddings and Funerals:** Up to 15 guests for weddings and up to 30 guests for funerals. 15 for receptions, wakes and related ceremonies.
- Overnight Stays:** Overnight stays permitted, subject to local control rules.
- Working from home guidance:** Work from home where possible.
- Shopping and Retail:** Open.
- Leisure and gyms:** Open.
- Hospitality:** Open with some restrictions including 10pm closing time and table-service only.
- Entertainment and tourist attractions:** Open, except nightclubs and adult entertainment.
- Education:** Schools, FE colleges open. Restrictions must reflect wider restrictions.
- Healthcare Services:** Open.
- Residential Care:** Closed to external visitors other than in exceptional circumstances.
- Travel and Transport:** May restrict or limit to open routes, but reduce number of passengers where possible. Avoid travel into Local COVID Alert Level Very High areas where possible.
- Sporting Activity:** Organised sport (swimming, physical activity, fitness or outdoor sports) subject to social contact rules. Fitness social contact rules differ from youth or disabled sport.
- Worship:** Open, subject to social contact rules.
- Childcare:** Registered and unregistered children's supervised activities permitted in private homes. Children's groups permitted. Outdoors bubbles for under 10s.
- Youth Clubs and Activities:** Permitted.

There are three simple actions we must all do to keep on protecting each other:

- Wash hands:** keep washing your hands regularly
- Cover face:** wear a face covering in enclosed spaces
- Make space:** stay at least 2 metres apart - or 1 metre with a face covering or other precautions

For more information and detailed guidance visit: gov.uk/coronavirus

Key dates for your diary

23rd October	INSET day – school closed for pupils in Rec, Y1-5; Y6 attend from 9am-12pm
26 th - 30 th October	Half-term- school closed to all pupils
2 nd November	INSET day – school closed to all pupils
3 rd November	After School Clubs begin
9 th – 13 th November	Anti-Bullying week
13 th November	Children in Need
14 th November	Diwali





Safeguarding

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility



Young carers:

A young carer is someone who is under 18 years old and looks after a family member or friend who is ill, disabled, battling addiction, or has a mental health condition.

Research from Carers Trust shows that as many as one in five children and young people across the UK are young carers - with some children giving care from a very young age, and others becoming carers overnight.

What do they do?

The responsibility of a young carer can include many tasks such as:

- Practical tasks, such as cooking, housework and shopping.
- Physical care, such as helping someone out of bed.
- Emotional support, such as talking to someone who is distressed.
- Personal care, such as helping someone dress.
- Managing the family budget and collecting prescriptions.
- Helping to give medicine.
- Helping someone communicate.
- Looking after brothers and sisters.

Is my child a young carer?

If the answer is "YES" to any of the above then your child may be a young carer.

If so we are able to offer help and support to your family. This may be through providing you with additional support, or through supporting your child to meet other young carers and attend respite breaks and holidays. Should you wish to find out more please visit the school office and ask for Miss Sanders.

For more information please visit - <https://www.actionforchildren.org.uk/blog/young-carers-who-are-they-and-how-are-they-impacted/>

Black History month Celebration Meal



Pupils of the Week

These pupils have been chosen by their teachers for their excellent work this week:

	Reader of the week	Learner of the week	Star of the week
Reception	Abdirahim	Aqsa	Hammaad
Year 1	Lamyah	Jesse	Thaweed
Year 2	Anayah-May	Muna	Hashim
Year 3	Faisa	Dabin	Odai
Year 4	Abdul	Raheem	Abdullahi
Year 5	Aliyah	Qaali	Kaleem
Year 6	Musa	Mercy	Ayah

Children will receive their certificates in class after half term.