



w/c Monday 10th January 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week has been another very busy week at Nechells.

On Monday we welcomed Warwickshire Cricket club who will be delivering a weekly PE session with our pupils in Year 4, 5 and 6. It was a fantastic opportunity to learn cricket skills from an expert and I know children are eagerly awaiting their next lessons which will take place every Monday until half term.

This week we also held our Open Day for prospective Nursery and Reception children for September 2022. It was wonderful to welcome so many parents/carers in, including those whose children don't currently attend Nechells Primary. If you or another member of our community missed the Open day and you have a child who will be joining Nursery or Reception in September, please contact the school office who can arrange a tour. Reception parents must submit their application for places by tomorrow.

This week, we also had a visit from Tom Campbell who is our interim CEO. Tom has been visiting all the E-ACT academies and it was wonderful to welcome him along to Nechells.

Finally, please could I ask that as many parents/carers as possible complete the Aspens survey which has been text to all parents/carers last week. Click on the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/EACTPA1021>

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr D Camps
Headteacher

School Places 2022-2023

For pupils who are due to start Reception in September 2022 the applications can be submitted online now and the deadline is **15th January 2022**.

After School Clubs/ Boosters

This week our after-school provision and booster sessions started for the Spring Term. Confirmation letters have been sent to all pupils with a place.

CATCH IT

Germs spread easily. Always carry tissues and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.



BIN IT

Germs can live for several hours on tissues. Dispose of your tissue as soon as possible.

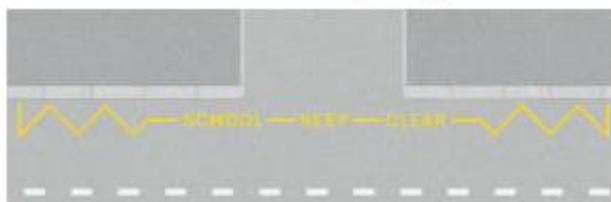


KILL IT

Hands can transfer germs to every surface you touch. Clean your hands as soon as you can.



School Yellow Zig Zag Lines



Please ensure that you do not park or stop on the yellow zig zag lines around the school. Not only is this a driving offence, more seriously they are there as a safety measure to protect children coming to school. Parking on them poses a risk to the safety of our pupils.



Key dates for your diary (subject to change)



15 th January	Deadline for online applications for Reception places
18 th January	2:15-3:15 Parent Coffee Afternoon- please attend
19 th January	Y3 Swimming starts
21st- 25th February	Half Term
28th February	Staff Training Day- School closed to ALL pupils



Safeguarding

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility



Children being Left home alone:

There's no legal age limit for a child to stay home or go out alone, but it's against the law to leave a child alone if it puts them at risk. However, parents can be prosecuted if they leave a child unsupervised 'in a manner likely to cause unnecessary suffering or injury to health': www.gov.uk/law-on-leaving-your-child-home-alone

Things to know before they stay home alone:

- A baby or young child should never be left alone, not even for a few minutes — whether they're asleep or awake. Most accidents happen at home, and children under five are most at risk of getting hurt.
- Is your home safe for them? Check that the fire alarms, locks and windows are working, leave a spare set of keys out and make sure they can get food or use the bathroom if they need to. Consider if there's anything that could hurt them and how you could reduce that risk, e.g. by putting sharp objects, alcohol and medicine out of reach or view.
- Can they contact you? Or someone else? Make sure they have your number and have access to a phone, so they can call you if they need you. Keep your phone on you, on loud if possible. Also leave a list of other trusted adults to call: neighbours, relatives or family friends who live nearby. And, just in case, remind them to call 999 if there's an emergency.

When they're home alone, what if...

- They're hungry and want some food?
- There's a power cut?
- They smell gas?
- A broken tap floods the bathroom?
- There's a fire?
- A stranger knocks at the door?
- You're out for longer than you thought?
- They hurt themselves?

More information can be found in the following guide:

<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/media/2614/home-or-out-alone-guide.pdf>

FREE ONLINE BOOSTER SESSIONS
in
ENGLISH and MATHS
FROM SEPTEMBER 2021
Years 2 and 3 – 4:00 to 4:30pm
Years 4 and 5 – 4:00 to 4:45pm
Year 6 – 4:00 to 4:45pm
Sessions will run Monday to Thursday every term-time week.
E-ACT

SEND BRIEFING PARENT WEBINAR
January 2022
Birmingham City Council

Parent/Carer Webinars take place regularly throughout the year and cover a number of different topics. Please see the local offer website for further details. Each webinar should last approximately one hour and take the format of a presentation followed by an opportunity to ask questions.

Birmingham Early Help Offer Awareness

Speaker:

Amina Mushtaq - From Barnardo's

Join the session to learn what Early Help Offer is and how it can help children and families in Birmingham. The session will provide insight into the kind of help available for parents and children and quick self-referral process.

Wednesday 26th January 10:00 - 11:00am

<https://www.localofferbirmingham.co.uk/product/birmingham-early-help-offer-awareness-26th-january-2022-1000am/>

All people who book a ticket will be sent a copy of the presentation and a copy of the recording of the Webinar.

Volunteer Opportunity

Join our team of fantastic Birmingham Museums Trust volunteers.

Role: Community Ambassador for the Birmingham Project

Where: Volunteer in your community! We are looking for people who live in either Smethwick, Longbridge or Nechells.

When: A few hours a month. Flexible to suit you (some meetings and events on set dates).

Are you passionate about your community? Do you want to help tell its stories and shout about what's great in Smethwick, Longbridge or Nechells? Would you like to put communities like yours at the centre of plans for the future?

What does the volunteer role involve?

- Helping us engage with people in your area, and find out about events and activities in your area
- Promoting and supporting events such as pop-up activities, trips, coffee mornings or focus groups, and reaching out to your friends, family, and neighbours in the area.
- Communicating with people in your community about the local area and encouraging people to share their stories with us.

What we're looking for

- Two people each in Nechells, Longbridge and Smethwick to form a volunteer task force of 6 members.
- Passionate about your local area and interested in having new activities and opportunities in your community
- Approachable, friendly, reliable, and happy to work independently and as part of a team
- Good communication skills

What's in it for you?

- Expenses paid
- We'll provide training and support for all aspects of the role
- Take part in trips behind the scenes at our different heritage sites
- Become part of the Birmingham Museums team with the opportunity to go onto other roles.

Necessary Covid precautions will be taken, with access to PPE and Lateral Flow Tests to ensure your safety. This role is open to people living in Nechells, Longbridge and Smethwick only.

For more information, contact us at Stories@BirminghamMuseums.org.uk or on 07861 913 852

To apply, please visit our website for full details:
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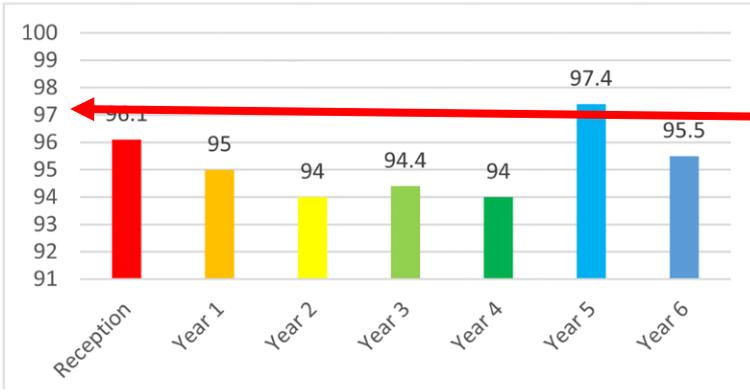
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Attendance and Punctuality

Well done to **Year 5** who had 97.4% attendance! The best attendance in school this week.



Overall attendance this week was **95.2%**

Our school target is **97%**.

It is really important that your child attends school unless they are genuinely ill so that they can receive the education they are entitled to.

Punctuality

'If a child is 10 minutes late once a week- they will miss a whole day's learning over the academic year'

Children need to be in school before 8:50am! Below is an overview of late marks for each class:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
1	4	2	5	2	3	1

Well done to Reception and Year 6 for achieving no late marks!

House Points

These are the current House Point Totals collected by each House Team this week:

Cadbury	Simmonds	Yousafzai	Zephaniah
276	245	270	264

Well done to **Cadbury!**

NHS

CORONAVIRUS

PROTECT YOURSELF & OTHERS

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	Aisha	Bareera	Ismail A
Year 1	Haseeb	Mohamed	Fatima
Year 2	Zakeriah	Charlie	Bashir
Year 3	Rayyan	Afnan	Hamza
Year 4	Suleman	Ruweyda	Maryam O H
Year 5	Sama	Abdul	Mariam
Year 6	Meykell	Fahima	Musa & Qaali

Children will receive their certificates in assembly.

INTRODUCING ARTICLES 7 & 8

Article 7 – birth registration, name, nationality, care

Every child has the right to be registered at birth, to have a name and nationality, and, as far as possible, to know and be cared for by their parents.

Article 8 – protection and preservation of Identity

Every child has the right to an identity. Governments must respect and protect that right, and prevent the child's name, nationality or family relationships from being changed unlawfully.

