

Dear Parents and Carers,

A Serious Note About Parking – We Need Your Help

We always try to keep our newsletter informative, upbeat, and light-hearted — after all, school life is full of joy, laughter, and learning! However, every now and then, an issue arises that we need to address seriously and directly with our full school community.

Lately, we've noticed a growing number of cars parking or waiting on zig-zag lines, single yellow lines, and double yellow lines during morning drop-offs and afternoon pick-ups. This isn't just inconsiderate — it's illegal and, more importantly, it's putting people at risk.

When cars are parked in these restricted areas, visibility around the school gates is significantly reduced. This compromises the safety of our children, families, and our crossing patroller, who works hard to keep everyone safe in often very busy conditions.

We're asking you to please park safely and legally. Give yourself a few extra minutes if needed, park a little further away, and walk the last bit. A short walk could make a big difference to someone's safety.

Thank you, as always, for your support and understanding.



Rights Respecting

We are a very proud Silver Rights Respecting School and we are working towards a gold accreditation – hopefully by the end of this school year. We are very proud that our School Council, House Captains and Rights Champions are joining forces to create a 'Rights Committee' to work on a very important local and global issue which stops children from enjoying their rights.

At the end of last year, we asked the whole school to vote on a Global Goal that they would like to raise awareness about. The school voted for 'No Poverty'. Our Rights Committee are going to work together to raise awareness and making small changes to try and work towards a world with no poverty.

The Rights Committee will be meeting on **Wednesday 1st** and **Wednesday 8th October** in the KS2 hall 2.30-3.15pm. We have invited the parents and carers of these children to join us but would welcome any volunteers who would like to be involved in the project.

Please see this week's Article of the Week:

Article-of-the-Week International-Day-of-Peace (2).pptx

We would love to hear about any activities you've done at home related to the article. Please feel free to share your experiences with school – we always enjoy seeing your learning in action!

Parent Meetings

Message from Year 2:

Thank you to all the parents and carers who were able to join us for the parents meeting. Any parent or carer who was unable to make it will find lots of the information on the school website, including PE days and useful websites. Important information includes: parents/carers to sign the school planner, reading regularly at home, being in class and ready to start the school day at 8:45.

If you have questions, please feel free to ask in the morning or at pickup.

Thanks again, Ms Bond, Mrs Collighan and Mr Galpin.

Message from Year 1:

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended our Year 1 Welcome Morning – it was lovely to see you all there! We hope you found the session informative and that it gave you a clear understanding of what to expect throughout the year ahead. The Year 1 team is excited to work with you and your children and we're looking forward to a happy

and successful year together. Please remember to check the school website regularly for updates and important information. As always, please don't hesitate to get in touch if you ever wish to discuss anything or have any questions. Thanks again!

Mr Pearson, Miss Brooks and the Year 1 team.

Black History Month – Starting Next Week

Next week marks the beginning of Black History Month, and we will be launching our celebrations with a whole-school assembly on Monday, as an introduction to the children.

Throughout the month, each year group will be learning about a significant individual, who have been thoughtfully selected to ensure age-appropriate learning and to inspire meaningful discussions/activities.

Here are the individuals each year group will be focusing on:

- **Reception** Martin Luther King Jr.
- **Year 1** Marcus Rashford
- **Year 2** Ruby Bridges
- **Year 3** Harriet Tubman
- Year 4 Nelson Mandela
- **Year 5** Len Johnson
- Year 6 Doreen and Stephen Lawrence

We are looking forward to a month of reflection, as we explore the lives and legacies of these remarkable individuals.

🕸 Wear Yellow for World Mental Health Day – Friday 10th October 🏶

Let's show our support for World Mental Health Day by wearing something yellow on Friday 10th October. It could be anything at all – a hairclip, bobble, socks, t-shirt... whatever you have!

Please don't buy anything new – this is about raising awareness, not spending money.

Let's brighten up the day together and help shine a light on the importance of mental health.





PUPILS CHOICE MENU

On Thursday 2nd October, the children will be having a school favourite of.......

- Sausage, chips and beans
- Veggie sausage, chips and beans
- · Old Fashioned School Cake

*There will still be the choices of Hot Tomato Pasta, Jacket Potatoes and ham, cheese or tuna sandwiches.

We will also have a special LUCKY PLATE where the children can receive a special prize from the kitchen.

As always, you can choose your child's lunch from home or in class on the day.

Thursday 2nd October

Message from Acorn:

We were delighted to welcome so many parents and carers to our stay and play session this week. It was lovely for the children to show you around our new classroom and they enjoyed playing with you all. Thank you all for joining us, we will plan another date soon.

Thank you so much to everyone for helping us collect so many plastic bottle lids for our class charter display in the Acorn RP. We are in the middle of completing our display and we can't wait to share the finished photograph with you once it is all done! However, we could really do with some more colourful bottle lids - we don't need any more white/clear milk top lids as we have plenty, but we could really do with some more lids of different colours. Please could you leave them in the box on the desk in the main entrance. A huge thank you from the Acorn RP team.

















Year 6 Residential – Deposit Reminder

A reminder that the £30 deposit for the Year 6 Residential is due by **Tuesday 30th September** via School Spider. Thank you to those who have already made the payment.

Girls Football

Best of luck to the girls as they kicked off their first fixture in the Manchester Girls South League!



Play with heart, support each other, and most importantly — enjoy every moment on the pitch. You've got this!



Year 5 to Ordsall Hall Trip – Payment Reminder

A reminder that the £19 fee for the Year 5 trip is also due by **Friday 3rd October** via School Spider.

Thank you to those who have already made the payment.

Attendance

This week, our school attendance was 92.9%, which is below our target of 96%. While we're proud of the effort many children and families are making to be here each day, we know we can do even better! Every day at school counts – it's where important learning happens and friendships grow. Let's all work together to improve our attendance and aim for that target next week. Thank you for your continued support!

A huge well done to our weekly class attendance winners for their commitment this week:

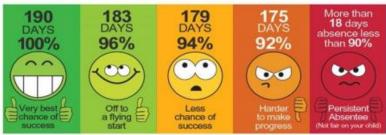
Acorn - 99%

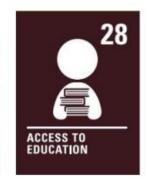
1TB - 97.9%

4LE - 94.3%

5JH - 98.9%

There are **190** days in a school year which leaves **175** days to spend on family time, shopping, appointments and other things.





Yours sincerely

Sarah Rudd Executive Headteacher



Date	Event
SEPTEMBER	
Monday 29 th September	Year 5 swimming starts
Monday 29 th September	Rec- Yr 6 Flu Nasal Spray
OCTOBER	
Monday 6 th October	Year 4 swimming starts
Monday 6 th October	Parents Evening Bookings – Live at 8.00am
Friday 10 th October	Wear Yellow for Young People's Mental Health
Monday 13 th October	Year 3 swimming starts
Tuesday 14 th October	5KH to Ordsall Hall
Tuesday 14th October	Year 6 Hate Crime Exhibition – 6MD Classroom 3.15-3.45pm
Wednesday 15 th October	5JH to Ordsall Hall
Thursday 16th October	5BH to Ordsall Hall
Thursday 16 th October	Year 1 & 2 Autumn Ball
Friday 17 th October	Harvest Own Clothes Day
Wednesday 22 nd October	Diwali Celebration Day – Children are invited to come in to school in
	bright coloured clothing
Wednesday 22 nd October	Parents Evening
Thursday 23 rd October	School closed – Inset Day
Friday 24 th October	School closed – Inset Day
Monday 27 th - Friday 31 st	HALF TERM
October	
NOVEMBER	
Monday 3 rd November	SCHOOL RE-OPENS
Wednesday 12 th November	4HP to Manchester Museum
Wednesday 12 th November	Year 2 to Shahjalal Mosque
Thursday 13 th November	4DC & 4LE to Manchester Museum
Friday 14 th November	Year 4 Egyptian Day – More details to follow



Heart and circulatory diseases kill 1 in 4 people in the UK.

Funds raised from donated items like your unwanted sofa, TV or fridge can help find the cures, treatments and preventative measures needed to beat heart and circulatory diseases.

We'll collect them from your home for free and find them a new life.

We need good quality:

- Sofas, suites and chairs
- Beds and bedroom furniture
- Dining tables and chairs
- Coffee tables and side tables
- · Homewares (pictures, mirrors etc)
- Office furniture

- Televisions, DVD players, radios and Hi-Fis
- Fridges, washing machines, microwaves and other appliances
- Also clothes, books, CDs, DVDs, shoes and accessories

There are some items we can't take for safety or quality reasons.

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bhf.org.uk/collection

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