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Headteacher: Miss T Williams

Behaviour for Learning: Concentration
Value Word: Equality (equity)

Dear Parent / Carer,

Here are our attendance figures for each class:

Swans – 94%

Puffins – 95%

Toucans – 91%

Bluebirds - 92%

Robins – 91%

Kestrels – 93%

Eagles – 94%

Well done to Puffins who won a roll on Classopoly!

New Classes for September 2026

We are now able to share the new classes from September;

Year 1 – Miss Cordiner and Miss Jones

Year 2 – Mr Devaney and Mrs Parton

Year 3 – Mrs Parry and Mrs Ville

Year 4 – Mr Lo

Year 5 - Mrs Calbreath

Year 6 – Miss Edwards

We are being more flexible with our use of Teaching Assistants (Miss Parkes, Miss Knapman, Mrs Lena, Mrs Johnson, Miss Anderson) in Key Stage 2 this year so they will work across classes.

I have added to the calendar dates below an opportunity for you to come into school and experience an Art Workshop with your child and their new teacher and TA at the end of this summer term. This was something we started last year and proved very popular with parents, staff and children. The dates for these workshops have been added to the calendar below so please do check the date allocated for your child (remembering it will be their new class!) and further detail details will be sent in the form of individual letters closer to the time of the workshops.

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These were really well attended last year and we do hope you will be able to enjoy joining us again this year. As part of the workshop, the teachers will be sharing important information about school life in their new class as well as the art activity for you to complete with your child. It is therefore really important we have as many attend as possible. As always, you are welcome to send a close relative (grandparent, aunt, uncle) in your place if you are unable to attend.

All our normal transition arrangements will happen in school so there is allocated time for teachers to share academic information and any other relevant information about your child to their new teacher. However, the workshop will be an opportunity for you to ask any questions you may have as well as an opportunity to share any vital information with your child's new teacher that they may need to know before September.

Summer Fayre

It's almost the point in the year where we are beginning to prepare for our Summer Fayre. Further details of this event will be shared with you closer to the time but I just wanted to let you know a few things in advance. As we have the card machine in school now, we are going to run a cashless option for the Summer Fayre for those of you who prefer to pay by card. This will mean you will be able to purchase a bag of counters which can be used at the stalls. This will mean you will be able to pay via the card machine prior to, or purchase them on the day on arrival. Further details of this will also be given closer to the time and we will continue to be accept cash at the event on the day. We are also currently arranging for our favourite inflatables and will let you know the arrangements for these shortly.

As we moved the date of the Summer Fayre from the 3rd to the 10th July, it now makes more sense for school reports to be given out on Monday 13th July. We don't want school reports getting lost at the Summer Fayre!

If you have anything you are able to donate that we can use for the Summer Fayre we would very much appreciate your support with this. We are always looking for prizes for the tombola and teddy tombola so if you have anything suitable (the only thing we cannot accept is items containing alcohol) then please do send it into school.

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Clubs in September

We are currently exploring provision options with outside providers again to see whether we can encourage anyone to deliver different clubs in school. In order to support our deficit budget we will, from September, be hiring out rooms in school to be used for community groups. We would appreciate your support with advertising this! We are currently able to offer (after 5:30) the school hall, school field or a classroom. We also have an empty classroom available throughout the school day – possible suitable for baby groups which we are currently redecorating. These spaces will be available to hire from September for use by community groups such as dance groups, exercise clubs, Brownies, baby groups - anyone that might want the use of a room! We would appreciate your support in spreading the word that this is something we are now open to. All the relevant paperwork and permissions will be in place for us to start doing this from September once the Governing Body agree it. If you or your child currently attend any groups that happen locally, please do mention to the group leaders that this is something Bells Farm are now doing and that further information can be given if they drop school an email to enquiry@bellsfrm.bham.sch.uk as they may consider us in the future.

We are currently exploring with the children in school which clubs they would like us to offer and will be taking this into account when we organise our September clubs.

Mr Mattaliano from Gramacri (the company who runs our Spanish club and provides our French lessons in school) has asked whether we wish to continue with the Spanish Club from next year. We as a school have to commit to having the club for the whole academic year but we obviously need to ensure it is financially viable for us to do so. If your child currently attends Spanish club, or would like to attend from September, can you please let us know. You can do this via an email to enquiry, or by speaking to Pauline in the front office or myself on the back door in the mornings. We will need this information to be able to make the decision whether we continue with this provision or not therefore it's just really important that you let us know by the end of next week whether you would want your child to be part of Spanish club from September. Thank you for your support with this.

September Dates

The next school year will begin for the children on Thursday 3rd September. This will be the return date for all children to start in their new classes. Our new Reception cohort have been sent separate details about a part-time start for the 3rd and 4th and then they will begin their full-time placement at Bells Farm on Monday 7th September.

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Y6 Baby Photos

Miss Edwards has requested you send in a photo of your child when they were a baby for her to use as part of the leaver's assembly. She would like these to be sent in as soon as possible to enquiry@bellsfrm.bham.sch.uk.

Photos in a Frame

You may have noticed on our Fundraising list that we have a new photo event happening in school next week for our Fundraising efforts. We have purchased A5 size photo frames and a summer themed background for children to have their photo taken. This will work similarly as it did for the Christmas photo. You will need to send your money into School with your child (or pay via card on the back door each morning) before Friday for them to have their photo taken. We will then print these and place them in a black photo frame made of glass and wood to send home the following week. Due to the cost of the frames and the printing of the photos the charge for this will be £5. If you have more than one child in school, we are happy to arrange a sibling photo for the same cost. Also, if your child is in Y6 we will offer a friendship group photo (just for this class only) also at a price of £5. Your child will need to agree with their friends who is going to be in the photo and then a copy of that photo can be purchased by those who want to.

Reminders

- Please remember to book your child's lunch for the remainder of the academic year.
- Please check the calendar dates below – anything new is highlighted in yellow.

Kind regards,
Miss Williams

Dates for your Diary

* Please note – changes and additions are highlighted

Date	Event	Details
Monday 8th June	Y1 Phonics Screening Check week Y2 SATs Week	Letter sent
Tuesday 9th June	Reception and Y1 trip to Botanical Gardens	Letter sent
Thursday 11th June	New Reception intake meeting	Letter sent
Friday 12th June	Photos in a frame	Details to follow

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15 th – 17 th June	Y6 residential	Letter sent
Friday 19 th June	Reception Class Assembly	Letter sent
Wednesday 17 th – Friday 19 th June	Father's Day Sale	Details to follow
Friday 19 th June and Friday 26 th June	Ice lolly and Ice cream Sale	Details to follow
Monday 22 nd June	SEN Reviews R, Y1, Y2	Invitations sent
Monday 29 th June	SEN Reviews Y3, Y4, Y5	Invitations sent
Wednesday 1 st July	Transition Day	Details to follow
Friday 3 rd July	Y1 Class Assembly	Details to follow
Wednesday 8 th July	Sports Day	Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6 9:15 YR, Y1, Y2 2:00 Further details to follow
Tuesday 7 th July	New Y5 Workshop 9:00 (current Y4) New Y6 Workshop 2:30 (current Y5)	Details to follow Details to follow
Thursday 9 th July	New Y3 Workshop 9:00 (current Y2) New Y4 Workshop 2:30 (current Y3)	Details to follow Details to follow
Friday 10 th July	Summer Fayre No After School Club	Details to follow
Tuesday 14 th July	New Y2 Workshop 9:00 (current Y1) New Y1 Workshop 2:30 (current Rec)	Details to follow Details to follow
Wednesday 15 th July	Y6 Party	Details to follow
Friday 17 th July	Y6 Leavers Assembly Break up for summer No After School Club	9:05 in school hall
Tuesday 2 nd and Wednesday 3 rd September	Teacher Training Days	School CLOSED to all children but open for phone/email queries.
Thursday 4 th September	School Opens	All children from Y1 – Y6 return full time New Reception part time
Monday 7 th September	Reception full time	

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