

Everyone  
smiles in  
the same  
language

# BIRCHILLS CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

ChildLine  
0800 1111

We are all God's Children

FRIDAY  
20th  
October  
2017  
Spot mistakes!  
Earn house points!

## THANK YOU

This week we met with parents/carers to discuss improvements and priorities; we also discussed our Christmas Food Fayre. More details to follow after half term.

## HALF TERM CHALLENGE

Over the break, find out about hurricanes and storms. Record your work in any style! Surprise and shock us! Prizes for all work!



## \*SPORTS NEWS\*

Well done to our Football Team, who took part in a competition this week. They played really well in very wet weather. We are very proud of you all for representing our school and behaviour was excellent.

## HAVE A GREAT HALF TERM.

We look forward to seeing you all on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October. Don't be late or you will miss out!



This week we celebrated Diwali as part of our commitment to respecting diversity and all faiths.

## \*IMPORTANT INFORMATION\*

It is very important that you notify the school by 1.30pm if someone else is collecting your child(ren) at the end of the day. If we have not received notification, we may not release your child into their care until we receive this information. Please respect our commitment to keeping your children safe. Thank you.

## SEATBELTS & PARKING

Seatbelts save lives. The law states everyone in a car must wear a seatbelt.

## OUR PRIORTIES

Our priorities are always about pupils making progress, particularly in reading, writing and mathematics. If you would like more information about our curriculum please contact your child's teacher.

## PARENTS/CARERS MEETING

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2017, 3.00 - 4.30pm

Teachers are looking forward to meeting parents/carers to discuss progress. Appointments can be arranged with class teachers after half term.



## SPORTS AWARD



KS1 - Year Reception  
KS2 - Year 6  
Individual - Mya, Year 1

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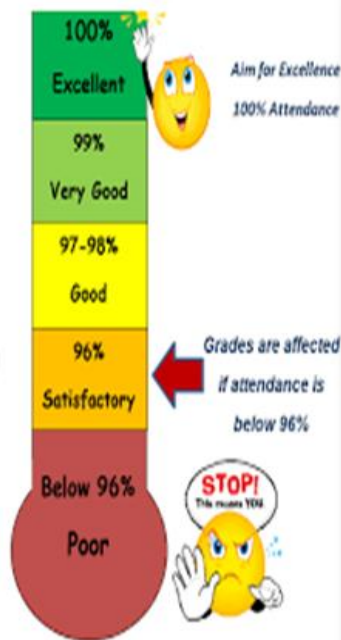
# **\*\*STARS OF THE WEEK\*\***

Friday 3rd November, 10.00am,  
parents/carers welcome

YEAR 1 - Leilani/Zainab  
YEAR 2 - Liyana  
YEAR 3 - Nathidu/Necolas  
YEAR 4 - Diego/Areece  
YEAR 5 - Simon/Naeem  
YEAR 6 - Armaan/Usmah



## **ATTENDANCE**



## **THE LAW**



Did you know,  
if attendance is  
less than 96%  
you are at risk  
of being fined  
and/or receiving  
a prison  
sentence?  
Please respect  
the law.

## **ATTENDANCE AWARD**

Well done to  
2CB & 5AG  
who had  
99.3%  
attendance  
last week.



## **MANNERS MATTER MOST**

at Birchills Church of England Community Academy



1. We will...  
make you feel  
welcome



2. We will...  
make time to  
listen to you



3. We will...  
be polite and  
understanding



4. We will...  
keep you  
informed and  
explain what is  
happening



5. We will...  
admit to mistakes  
and do all we can  
to put them right



6. We will...  
value your point  
of view

7. We will...  
be caring and  
kind

8. We will...  
keep you involved

9. We will...  
go the extra mile

10. We will...  
treat everyone  
equally



In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit  
Amen



## **REMEMBERANCE POPPIES**



Poppies will be available from next half  
term during break time. Donations welcome.



Friday 17th November

Non-Uniform Day  
Donations welcome for this  
wonderful charity.



S.A.M



## School Attendance Matters

If your child is absent from school as a result of illness or appointments, medical evidence must be provided. This may be a doctor's appointment card, hospital letter, a prescription or labelled medication.

Please ensure that you telephone the school for everyday of your child's absence. You must provide detail about the reason why your child is unable to come into school.

Failure to comply with school policy may result in an unauthorised absence!

Thank you for your cooperation.

# P.E. UNIFORM REMINDER

From now on, PE days/After school sports clubs, pupils can come to school in their PE kits. If they are wearing T-shirt and shorts these may be worn under uniform or alternatively they may wear their black PE tracksuits.

We want to spend more time on actual PE and significantly reduce the time changing; this will also take any anxiety away for those pupils who feel uncomfortable about changing in school.



**MONDAY - Year 2**  
**TUESDAY - Year 5**  
**WEDNESDAY - Year 3**  
**THURSDAY - Reception & Year 6**  
**FRIDAY - Years 1 & 4**



## The PE uniform:

- Black trainers or black pumps (no bright coloured trainers allowed)
- Plain white t-shirt & black shorts AND/OR
- Plain black tracksuit/jogging bottoms & black sweatshirt with white t-shirt underneath.
- **NO LEGGINGS. NO OTHER colours, logos, or writing allowed.**
- **Swimming kit should be plain navy or black. Swimming hats to be worn (sold in school). Goggles not allowed. Pupils require a towel.**

# SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDER

Hairstyles should be sensible with no extreme styling or colours and long hair should be tied back with a bobble in the same colour as the hair.

The only jewellery items permitted are one pair of small stud earrings.

White shirt or white polo shirt

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Dark blue or black headscarf (no patterns or decoration)

Royal blue fleece or sweatshirt (preferably with school logo)

Royal blue fleece, sweatshirt or cardigan (preferably with school logo)

Royal blue Fleece, sweatshirt or cardigan (preferably with the school logo)

Grey trousers, skirt or Pinafore dress

Grey skirt or Pinafore dress

Grey tights or grey/black socks

Grey trousers or grey / white salwar

Grey tights or grey/black socks

Black school shoes (NOT trainers)

Smart black school shoes (NOT trainers)

Smart black school shoes

Grey trousers

Grey or black socks

## CLICK IT!

If you see anything on the internet that upsets you click this button on your device and tell an adult you trust.



## Homework

1. Pupils must read everyday. Reading is very important; it enriches vocabulary and improves writing skill.
2. Learn multiplication facts.
3. Learn number bonds to 10. How many different ways can you make the number 10? Learn to tell the time.
4. How many different ways can you make: 50p, £1.00, £5.00, £10.00, £100?
5. Being tidy, clean and organised.
6. Being polite. Manners matter most.
7. Being kind and caring

### **\*URGENT!\***

Be safe ONLINE and when you are out and about!

**NEVER** talk or walk with people you don't know!

Always YELL & TELL if someone is trying to hurt you!

Call 999 in an emergency.

*Tel: 01922 721063*

*postbox@birchills.walsall.sch.uk*

*www.birchills.walsall.sch.uk*

## HELPLINES

NSPCC 0800 800 5000

Crimestoppers 0800 555 111

Samaritans

01922 624000 or 08457 909090

Citizen Advice Bureau 01922 700600

Domestic Violence

0800 389 5790 / 0800 389 6990 / 0779 667 2053

01952 406 767

Addictions, Misuse of Alcohol and Drugs

Alcoholics Anonymous - 0845 769 7555

Addiction Walsall (Drug Intervention Programme)  
- 01922 646262

Childline - 0800 1111

Police - 999 emergencies only or 101 for other.

If you are worried about anyone or anything tell someone; it may just save a life.





## Walk with me

Walk with me in the golden sun  
Walk with me in the rain  
Walk with me in happiness  
Walk with me in pain.

Walk with me at morning time  
When the world is light  
Walk with me when evening comes  
Watch me through the night.

## A Really Good School

Dear God,

Let us make our school a really good school:

let us be kind,

let us be fair,

let us be honest,

let us be respectful,

let us be friendly,

Let us be ready to forgive,

Help us to start each day by

remembering these things.

## WEEKLY ATTENDANCE PER CLASS

RRB	RAM	1ES	1AB	2CB	2TM	3LB	3YA	4MB	4PS	5AG	5MW	6PP	6GP
93.7%	90.5%	95.9%	96.7%	96.6%	96.2%	96.7%	95.9%	96.5%	97.4%	96.5%	93.8%	94.9%	93.8%

## KEEP UP TO DATE

[www.birchills.walsall.sch.uk](http://www.birchills.walsall.sch.uk)

We are pleased to inform you we are now virtually a paperless school, apart from pupils books and displays of course! We have no choice but to keep up to date with technological advances so you too will need to join us on our journey. Everything you need is on our website and also available to you via email and texts. If you would like more information please email [postbox@birchills.walsall.sch.uk](mailto:postbox@birchills.walsall.sch.uk), ring 01922 721063 or pop in and see us.



## Training Days for 2017/2018

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2018

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From time to time we may need to change a date, at very short notice, due to unforeseen circumstances, we apologise for any inconvenience.



## YEAR 4 SWIMMING/PE LESSONS FOR 2017/2018

Date	Activity for 4PS (Mrs Schirinzi's class)	Activity for 4MB (Miss Brassington's class)
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2017	Swimming	PE
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> November 2017	PE	Swimming
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2017	Swimming	PE
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> November 2017	PE	Swimming
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2017	Swimming	PE
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	PE	Swimming
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	Swimming	PE
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> January 2018	PE	Swimming
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> January 2018	Swimming	PE
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> January 2018	PE	Swimming
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February 2018	Swimming	PE
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2018	PE	Swimming
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Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> April 2018	Swimming	PE
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	PE	Swimming
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Swimming	PE
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	PE	Swimming
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Swimming	PE
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	PE	Swimming
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Swimming	PE
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2018	PE	Swimming
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Swimming	PE
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> July 2018	PE	Swimming
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2018	Swimming	PE

## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

We would like to create a wall of ex-pupils' achievements after they have left secondary school. If you know anyone that might be interested in telling us about where they are now, for example working, university, training, self-employed, travelling, **please contact us at [postbox@birchills.walsall.sch.uk](mailto:postbox@birchills.walsall.sch.uk) or telephone 01922 721063.** We hope our community will help us spread this message near and far. We want to celebrate the achievements of our community and inspire our current pupils.

TALK

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AND STAY SAFE,  
LIKE PANTOSAURUS

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**NSPCC**

EVERY CHILDHOOD IS WORTH FIGHTING FOR

## LEARN PANTOSAURUS' FIVE EASY RULES FOR STAYING SAFE

### **P** RIVATES ARE PRIVATE

Your underwear covers up your private parts and no one should ask to see or touch them. Sometimes a doctor, nurse or family members might have to. But they should always explain why, and ask you if it's OK first. Remember, what's in your pants belongs only to you.



### **A** LWAYS REMEMBER YOUR BODY BELONGS TO YOU

No one should ever make you do things that make you feel embarrassed or uncomfortable. If someone asks to see or tries to touch you underneath your underwear say 'NO' – and tell someone you trust and like to speak to.



### **N** O MEANS NO

You always have the right to say 'no' – even to a family member or someone you love. You're in control of your body and the most important thing is how YOU feel. If you want to say 'No', it's your choice.



### **T** ALK ABOUT SECRETS THAT UPSET YOU

There are good secrets and bad secrets. If a secret makes you feel sad or worried, it's bad – and you should tell an adult you trust about it straight away.

### **S** PEAK UP, SOMEONE CAN HELP

It's always good to talk about stuff that makes you upset. If you're worried, go and tell a grown up you trust – like a family member, teacher or one of your friend's parents. They'll say well done for speaking out and help make everything OK. You can also call Childline on 0800 1111 and someone will always be there to listen.



Remember all of these  
rules and they'll help  
you stay safe, just like  
Pantosaurus

