

# BIRCHILLS CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

ChildLine  
0800 1111

We are all God's Children

**FRIDAY**  
**10th**  
**November**  
**2017**

## THANK YOU

It was great to see so many families this week. If you have concerns/queries, please pop in to see the class teacher anytime, after school is best.

## LEST WE FORGET

### Remembrance Sunday

This Sunday, we have been invited to bring a group of families and staff to join the official Walsall remembrance parade and lay a wreath at the cenotaph, Bradford Place, Walsall.

## KEEPING WARM!

Pupils need to be wearing our autumn/winter uniform now - thermals keep you warm too! PE Kit days should be black jogging bottoms and fleeces, not leggings, they are not suitable in this weather.

We're supporting

**BBC Children in Need** **Friday 17th November**  
**Dress up for Pudsey day. £1 Donations welcome**

**Website - [bcchildreninneed.co.uk](http://bcchildreninneed.co.uk)**

## SPORTS AWARD

KS1 - Year Reception

KS2 - Year 4

Individual - Sukena, Year 6

## \*SPORTS NEWS\*

Well done to the pupils who took part in the Sports Hall Athletics competition this week. Brilliant teamwork, fantastic effort and behaviour as always.

## \*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.

Spot mistakes!  
Earn house points!

14, 15, 16  
Nov

### FACT WORKSHOPS

Year 6 - 9-10am - 14 Nov  
Reception Class - 9 - 10am - 15 Nov  
Year 5 - 9-10am - 16 Nov  
Nursery am - 10-11am - 16 Nov  
Nursery pm - 1.30-2.30pm - 16 Nov

17th Nov

**BBC Children in Need Day - Dress up for £1 donation**

20 Nov

Sports for Schools Day

30th Nov

St Andrew's Day

13 Dec

Christmas Lunch Day  
Carol Concert 3pm-4.15pm Hall

15 Dec

**Christmas Food Fayre & wear your Christmas Jumper Day**

18 Dec

Nursery AM, Reception & 1AB Christmas Church Service. Parents/carers welcome - 10am

19 Dec

Nursery PM, 1ES and Year 2 Christmas Church Service. Parents/carers welcome - 2pm

20 Dec

Y3, 4, 5 & 6 Christmas Church Service. Parents/carers welcome - 9.30am

21 Dec

**Disco & Party Day. Food welcome.**

22 Dec

Last Day of Term 1.00pm.  
Happy holidays!

9 Jan 2018

BACK TO SCHOOL

16 Feb

St Valentines Day Disco

19-23 Feb

Half term

26 Feb

Back to School

1 Mar

St David's Day

5 Mar

SATs Meeting for Y6 parents

17 Mar

St Patrick's Day

19 Mar

Pupil progress reports and meetings

TBC

Easter Service

29 Mar

End of term - School closes at 1pm

16 Apr

Back to school

23 Apr

St George's Day

w/c 14  
May

Y6 SATS

15 May -  
14 Jun

Month of Ramadan

28 May - 1  
June

Half term

17 July

End of term parties/disco

19 July

Leavers service

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

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November, 10.00am,**  
**parents/carers welcome**

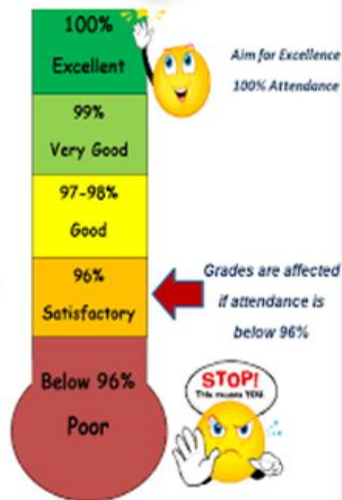
YEAR 1 - Humaira/Aminah  
YEAR 2 - Moin/Molly  
YEAR 3 - Rayaana/Kaiden  
YEAR 4 - Ayaan/Joshua  
YEAR 5 - Inaaya/Alicja  
YEAR 6 - Richard/Leland



## **BIRCHILLS STREET UPDATE**

The council have been monitoring Birchills Street traffic, a 7-day traffic surveys, and they show that the flashing lights and reduced speed signs scheme has been successful in reducing the average speed of vehicles along Birchills St from 26.5mph to 21.0mph (this was recorded over a 7 day period). The average number of vehicles using Birchills St on a weekday has also reduced by over 350 vehicles per day following the implementation of the scheme (from 3982 to 3623). There has only been one recorded personal injury collision in the last 3 years and this was not speed related.

## **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  
Morning  
Nursery Red  
Group who had  
100%  
attendance last  
week.



School Attendance Matters

# **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

## **HOMEWORK/SUPPORT CLUBS**

Homework/support clubs, to help pupils with reading, writing and maths, will be available soon. See letter that came home this week.



# 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

White shirt or polo shirt

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

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Grey tights or grey/black socks

Smart black school shoes

## 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
94.6%	92.2%	96.7%	96.3%	96.6%	96.4%	94.9%	96.1%	97.8%	97.8%	96.6%	94.6%	95.4%	95%

## 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

<u>2017/2018</u>	<u>First day of term</u>	<u>Last day of term</u>
Autumn Term	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2017	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2017
Autumn Term	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2017
Spring Term	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2018	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2018
Spring Term	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February 2018	Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2018
Summer Term	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> April 2018	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> May 2018
Summer Term	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2018

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 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
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2018	Swimming	PE
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2018	PE	Swimming
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> March 2018	Swimming	PE
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> March 2018	PE	Swimming
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March 2018	Swimming	PE
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2018	PE	Swimming
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.

