



# CHERRY ORCHARD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Please see our latest notices.

## **Parents' evenings**

There are still appointments available for next week's parents' evenings. We are almost half way through the academic year so it is important that you book an appointment to review your child's progress and find out about the next steps for their learning.

Please go online to book an appointment or contact the school office for support.

## **Lost property**

On both parents' evenings, all lost property will be available for collection in the hall for KS2 and in the community room (opposite the school office) for EYFS and KS1. Anything not claimed and not labelled will be put into our spare clothes stock or taken to a local charity shop.

## **Support for children's wellbeing**

Please see the attached posters detailing support and upcoming online workshops for parents and carers. The workshops are delivered by Compass, which is a service funded by the NHS to deliver free support to schools and families so that children can thrive.

They are friendly, expert-led sessions that cover topics such as online safety, emotional regulation and managing worries/anxiety. Further details are included on the poster attached and you can register for any or all of the workshops by scanning the QR code.

There is also a leaflet attached with a QR code to join the Compass mailing list so parents and carers can receive regular updates, helpful resources, tips and strategies to support their children's development and wellbeing at home. Compass aims to empower families with practical tools and insights.

## **Persistent lateness**

A gentle reminder that it's really important for all children to arrive at school on time each day. Being on time helps your child start the day calmly and join in with morning lessons.

We understand that local traffic and ongoing roadworks can be frustrating, but unfortunately these cannot be accepted as reasons for persistent lateness. Please allow extra time for your journey so that your child can be in school promptly and not miss valuable learning.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us give every child the best possible start to their day.

# Wider personal development at Cherry Orchard

## Y4 Roman Soldier

On Friday 16th January, Year 4 took part in a history workshop to deepen their understanding of Roman Britain. The children were enthusiastic as they explored aspects of Roman life, handled artefacts, and practised Roman army formations. Their knowledge about significant historical figures greatly impressed both the visitor and their teachers. The children should be incredibly proud of their enthusiasm and curiosity throughout the entire workshop. Well done year 4!



## Year 3 Shree Geeta Bhawan Temple Visit



On Monday 19th January, Year 3 visited the Shree Geeta Bhawan Temple as part of their RE topic on Hinduism. They showed great knowledge from their lessons, confidently sharing many Hindu stories and traditions. The children were very inquisitive and asked lots of thoughtful questions. They also enjoyed learning about the different Hindu gods and goddesses, as well as exploring the beautifully decorated shrines within the temple.



## Year 2 Robin Hood Pantomime

Year 2 had a fantastic time on their trip to the Hippodrome to watch the Robin Hood pantomime. The children (and teachers) were full of excitement and thoroughly enjoyed the performance. We were especially proud of how patient and well behaved they were, even when a problem with the coach caused a short delay to their trip home. Their brilliant attitudes helped make the afternoon a great success.







# Stars of the Week



16/1/26	Avneet C (Nursery), Ilana RA, Javeria RH, Sachveer 1JA, Taha 1RA, Zayaan 2R, Aaliyah K 2D, Tajah 3J, Aysha 3B, Tegh 4H, Haajar 4L, Arissa 5SA, Amiyah 5ST, Abdullah 6K, Liyah-Rose 6B, Isaac RB
23/1/26	Rashida (Nur), Mikael RH, Ilyas RA, Haysum 1JA, Ashveen 1RA, Mustafa 2R, Noah O 2D, All of 3J, Mikiel 3B, Liala 4H, Noor 4L, Jake 5ST, Ismael 5SA, Hardyln 6K, Aria 6B, Yahya RB
30/1/26	Ayla (Nursery), Geet RH, Shafay RA, Muaaz 1JA, Ekam 1RA, Kirat 2D, Aafiyah 2R, Ahmed 3J, Balraj 3B, Nyla 4L, Ariya 4H, Sarina 5ST, Aneesa 5SA, Kayaan 6K, Idris 6B, Chavin RB

## Attendance

As we are a Birmingham Local Authority School, we follow Birmingham’s attendance policy and procedures. Our attendance policy is shared on our website, but you can also find further details at [Birmingham Attendance Advice for Parents](#) Our whole school attendance figure for 2025-26 so far is **94%**. This is slightly below the national average at the moment and we aim to be above average as a school, so attendance will continue to be a priority. Congratulations to 1JA, 2D, 2R, 4L, 5SA, 5ST and 6B for reaching or exceeding the target of 96%. Well done!

RA	93%	RH	94%
1JA	96%	1RA	91%
2D	96%	2R	96%
3B	94%	3J	94%
4H	90%	4L	96%
5SA	95%	5ST	96%
6K	93%	6B	96%
RB	92%	NUR	91%

## Upcoming dates for your diary

- 06 Feb Year 4 – SPARKS Fire Service – in school
- 10 Feb Safer Internet Day – whole school
- 11 Feb Parents’ evening 3:30 – 5:00pm
- 12 Feb Year 5 – History – Tamworth Castle
- 12 Feb Year 6 – Gurdwara Visit
- 12 Feb Parents’ evening 4:30 – 7:00pm
- 13 Feb Break up for half term
- 23 Feb School Closed for pupils – Staff Training**
- 24 Feb School Re-opens**
- 26 Feb Years 1 and 2 - Edgbaston Cricket Club workshop
- 05 Mar World Book Day – whole school

