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Friday 23 May 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 4 Leavers Hoodies



Reminder: Year 4 learners are welcome to wear their Leavers hoodies to school after the May Half Term break when they return to school for the last half of the Summer Term on the 3rd June 2025.

Safety at the Park and Supervision



Over the last few weeks I have been made aware of a number of issues and incidents happening at the Park on Church Road (Top Park). Some of these incidents have been involving pupils from this school as well as other pupils both older and younger from outside of this school. The school have contacted the Police and have asked them to come into school and speak to our learners again about how to keep themselves safe and 'appropriate behaviour' whilst out in our local community.

I am aware that staff alongside myself have spoken to individual Parents/Carers about the need for your child/children to have appropriate supervision whilst at the park. This is not only to help ensure that they remain safe but is also so that as Parents/Carers you are aware of what is going on and to ensure that your child/children do not get mixed up in anti-social behaviour. I am aware that some of the children left unsupervised have 'underlying/SEND needs' which is even more of a reason to ensure that your child/children are not vulnerable or unsafe and unsupervised at the park.

As a school we care about our learners and the Community and want our learners to be able to enjoy the local amenities safely. Thank you for your support on this matter.

Week beginning the 9th June 2025 Phonics Screener and MTC Checks



When we return after the May half term break learners in Year 1 will be undertaking their 'Phonics Screener Check' in the weeks beginning the 9th June. Learners in Year 2 who did not pass their Phonics Screener in Year 1 will also be sitting their re-sit in the same week.

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Learners in Year 4 who are due to be transitioning to the Middle School will be undertaking their MTC (Multiplication Tables Check) in the week beginning the 9th June. They have already been accessing the practice sessions before the test and are well prepared for the check.

Tuesday 10th June - Year 4 Transition Games - James Bateman Junior High School



On Tuesday 10th June Learners in Year 4 will be going to James Bateman Junior High School for the Year 4 games events as part of their transition to Middle School. This event will take place in the afternoon and all Learners will be transported by coach and will be back in time for the end of the school day. Year 4 Learners need to come to school in their school PE kit and have with them a sun hat and sun-cream in school. Should this be required.

Thursday 12th June - Additional Transition Day for some Year 4 Learners



On Thursday 12th June some of the Year 4 Learners will be visiting James Bateman for an additional Transition Day. Parents/Carers have already been informed and permission slips completed. These learners should be dropped off at James Bateman at 9:15am and picked up at 3:15 pm. They will also required a packed lunch and healthy snack.

WCET Celebration Concert 2025



As you will already be aware, as part of your child's curriculum they have been learning to play a musical instrument. Hydra have been learning to play the Recorder whilst Draco have been learning to play the Ukulele. Letters have been sent home regarding the learner's participation in a Music performance at the Symphony Hall Birmingham on the 16th June 2025 and how to order tickets if you want to go and watch the performance.

Letters with further details have already been sent out to parents and carers. If you have any questions or require additional information, please don't hesitate to get in touch with the school office.

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Sports Day/Picnic Lunch & Summer Fun Fundraising Day- Tuesday 17th June 2025



This year we will be holding a Sports Day/Summer Fun Fundraising day on Tuesday 17th June. Fingers crossed the sun will be shining and we have decided to combine our sports day activities with some summer fair fundraising and a Picnic lunch. More details will follow.

Year 4 Leavers Transition Day to Middle School - Thursday 19th June



Further information will be sent out after the May Half Term holiday.

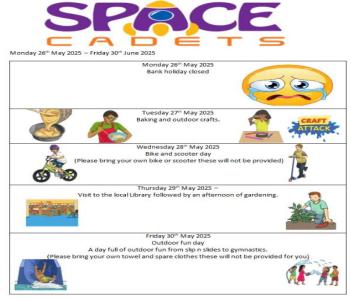
Changes to contact details



Please can we remind parents that if any circumstances change i.e. phone numbers, emails or address details please could you let the school office know so we can update the system and have the correct details on file. We always need two contact numbers in case of an emergency.

Half Term: Holiday clubs





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To book into Space Cadets please contact the team on 07757954919.

May Half Term Break



- School closes today (Friday 23rd May) at 3:15pm for the May Half Term Holiday for staff & **Pupils**
- School closed to pupils on Monday 2nd June INSET Day (staff in school)
- School opens at 08:45am to pupils on Tuesday 3rd June 2025

Important Diary Updates

Please find below a table of events that have been planned for the Summer Term. Please note that we always try our best to stick to the planned dates and times but on occasion's changes have to be made due to unforeseen circumstances. If this is the case, we will always try to give you as much notice as possible. Please note dates in blue have been added or changed:

Summer Term 2025

DATE	EVENT	CLASS
Friday 23 rd May	School closes for staff and pupils at 3:15pm for	All classes
	the May Half Term Holiday.	
Monday 2 nd June	INSET DAY - school closed to pupils	All classes
Tuesday 3 rd June	School re-opens to staff and pupils at 08:45am	All classes
Week beg 9 th June	Phonics Screener Check	Year 1
		Year 2 re-sit learners
Week beg 9 th June	MTC (Multiplication Tables Check)	Year 4
Tuesday 10 th June	Y4 Transition Games - James Bateman	Year 4
Thursday 12 th June	Y4 Additional Transition Day - specific learners	Year 4 specific learners
Monday 16 th June	WCET Music Concert - Symphony Hall	Hydra Class & Draco
Tuesday 17 th June	Sports Day/Picnic Lunch/Summer Fun Fundraising	All classes
Thursday 19th June	Year 4 Transition Day to Middle School	Year 4
Tuesday 24 th June	Reserve Sports/Fun Day	All classes

Yours sincerely,

Mrs E. J. Pickford (Headteacher) & Team

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