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Friday 20th June 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Sports Day & Family Picnic- Thanks



We would like to thank all the Parents/Carers and family members who attended Sports Day on Tuesday 17th June 2025. For once, the weather was on our side and we were able to support all the learners in participating in their races and Summer fund. Thank you for your support and patience at this event. It was very much appreciated.

WCET Concert (Draco & Perseus)- Congratulations



On behalf of our school team and Governing Body, I would like to congratulate our learners in Draco and Hydra for their amazing musical performances at the Music concert which was held at the Symphony Hall in Birmingham on Monday 16th June 2025. It was a great experience for all involved.

Lateness - Punctuality Matters



We've noticed a **significant increase in the number of learners arriving late to school recently**. Being on time is crucial as it sets the tone for the rest of the day and ensures students don't miss out on important learning at the start of lessons. **We kindly ask all Parents and Carers to support their children in arriving promptly each morning at 08.45am promptly so they can begin their day in the best possible way.**

Sun Smart (Sun cream & Sun hats)



Just a reminder about our sun protection procedures to ensure that we can all enjoy the sun safely over the coming weeks. The sun's rays are particularly strong over the summer and they can damage children's skin. Your child's health and well-being are very important to us, you can help by:

- Making sure that your child has sunscreen applied before school
- Providing in date sunscreen labelled clearly with your child's name for school. (If you have more than one child, please provide each child with their own bottle of sun cream)
- Talking to your child/children about the importance of sun protection at home

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- Sending your child to school with a wide brimmed hat or cap to protect their head and face.

Staff are happy to support younger children in applying their sun cream but we encourage the children to apply it themselves, supervised by an adult in school. If you have any objections to staff helping your child with their sun cream then please contact the school office.

SMART Uniform in school with their pop-up shop - Thursday 3rd July
2:30pm - 4:00pm



Once again, we have arranged for Smart Uniform to come into school on Thursday 3rd July from 2.30pm onwards so that you can purchase your child/children's school uniform in readiness for September 2025. This opportunity will enable you to see examples of the uniform first hand, check sizing and will save you having to purchase on-line or make a journey to the Uniform shop.

If your child qualifies for Free School Meals and your child/children will be attending Squirrel Hayes First School in September 2025, please ask at the school office regarding a School Uniform Voucher to help towards the cost of your purchase.

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.**

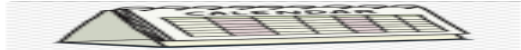
Updates

Over the next week or so we will be sending out information about our new class arrangements for September 2025. We will also be providing additional information regarding our 'Year 4 Leavers & Rewards Assembly due to take place on Friday 18th July at 10:30am and the 'Year 4 Leavers family lunch' on the same day.



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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
Thursday 3 rd July 2:30pm - 4:00pm	SMART Uniform in school with their pop-up shop	All classes
Saturday 5 th July	Biddulph Parade- Meeting 10:30am at the Library	Learners taking part
Monday 7 th July 3:30pm - 5:00pm	Parents/Carers Drop-in following reports going out	All classes
Tuesday 8 th July pm	Year 2 learners Multi-Skills Event at James Bateman - pm during school time	Year 2
Thursday 10 th July	Party Day	All classes
Friday 11 th July	Last day with current class - Film and Disco celebrations	All classes
Week beginning the 14 th July - 18 th July	Transition Week - All learners move to their new classes in readiness for September 2025	All classes
Friday 18 th July 10:30am	Leavers Assembly and End of Year Awards Celebrations	All classes
Friday 18 th July 11:30am - 12:30pm	Year 4 leavers Lunch with guests	Year 4

Yours sincerely,
 Mrs E. J. Pickford (Headteacher) & Team

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