



Palmers Cross Primary School

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School News

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Attendance

Our attendance at the end of last term was 95.9% This is above local authority averages an in line with the National average of 96%

We also reduced the number of children with attendance below 85% to 8 children across the school. Well done, we must keep this up!

Any requests for leave of absence forms will require families to attend a meeting with a member of the leadership team. Absences are rarely authorised unless the circumstances are exceptional and can lead to a fine if pupils attendance drops below 95% on their return.

Insets

- Monday 30th October
- Tuesday 2nd January

Reminders

- ◆ Children are NOT allowed mobile phones in schools.
- ◆ Both indoor and outdoor PE kit will be required as some sessions will take place outside this term.

Headteacher

Welcome back!

I hope you've all had a lovely summer and enjoyed time with your children. The weather hasn't been too kind to us but the 'Dollery's' still managed a few wet trips to the park and beach for a soggy picnic or two!

I know staff were pleased to see your children back safe and sound, looking very smart and eager to learn.

Welcome to our new families particularly those joining in reception and nursery, I have been very impressed with how quickly they have settled into school routines, they even attended an assembly this morning—you should be very proud of them.

We are all looking forward to an exciting term full of 'learning'
Louise Dollery

Staff News

We would like to welcome Miss Peate who has joined our Early Years team. I am sure she will be a valuable asset to our school.

Congratulations to Miss Findler who married over the holiday and has returned as Mrs Bromierska.

I am sure many of you may have noticed Mrs Spackman's ever growing 'tummy' (and no its not down to over indulgence during the holidays) There will be a new addition to their family in January.

Wolf

As many of you are aware in July our school took part in the 'Wolves for wolves' scheme and the children designed and painted a wolf which has been displayed in Wolverhampton Art Gallery over the summer. We have now been informed that the wolves will be auctioned at the end of the month or we can purchase ours for £100. As a school we would like our wolf back to display in school so we will be discussing with the children the possibility of an event to raise the money such as 'own clothes day' etc Watch this space!

PTA

With recent budget cuts to Education funding the importance of our parent/teacher association as intensified. Any ways school can raise additional funds for your children is highly beneficial. At the present there are only two parents on the committee and we would really appreciate the support of more parents. If you are interested please contact school or you are welcome to join us at our first meeting of the year on Wednesday 20th September at 4.30pm, child care can be provided.

Governors

We still have spaces on our governing board for a parent governor. This is an important role and allows the views of the parents to be heard offering support and challenge to the school. If you are interested in putting your name forward and would like further information about the role of a governor please contact school. There is usually a meeting once every half term.

Dates for your diary

Monday 4th September—INSET

Tuesday 5th September—INSET

Wednesday 6th September—Children return to school

Clubs start Monday 18th September

Tuesday 19th September—Reception parent meeting (reading + writing) 2.30pm

Tuesday 3rd October—Reception parent meeting (Maths focus)

Wednesday 11th October—Parents evening 3.15—5.00pm

Thursday 12th October—Parents evening 4.30—6.30om

Thursday 12th October—Key stage 2 trip to Theatre

Friday 20th October—Break up for half term

School closed—Monday 23rd to Friday 27th October

INSET Monday 30th October

Tuesday 31st October—Children return to school

Wednesday 1st November—Phonic meeting for Year 1 parents

Monday 18th December—Beauty and the Beast panto (in school)

Wednesday 20th December—Christmas party day

Wednesday 20th December—Break up for Christmas holidays

School closed Monday 25th to January 1st January

INSET Tuesday 2nd January

Wednesday 3rd January—Children return to school

Provisional dates for Christmas performances

Year 2/3 –Tuesday 12th December 9.15am and 2.00pm

Reception/Year 1—Thursday 14th December 9.15am and 2.00pm

Nursery am pupils—11.30am

Nursery pm pupils—2.45pm

Years 4, 5 and 6—Tuesday 19th December—2.00pm and 6.30pm

