



Matthew 11, 25-30



Key Dates

Mon 6th July	EYFS Sports day - 9am-10am Year 1 Sports day - 10am-11am Year 2 Sports day - 2pm-3pm school playground-see letter pg. 17
Tues 7th July	Year 4 flute assembly at 2:30pm
Wed 8th July	Year 3 parents invited at 9:30am Year 2 parents invited at 10:30am Aspens breadmaking
Thurs 9th July	EYFS trip
Thurs 9th July	Year 6 leavers performance at 9:30am
Frid 10th July	Summer disco - non uniform day - please see pg. 9
Mon 13th July	Year 6 - Fun day - end of year trip
Mon 13th July	School reports going home today with pupils
Tues 14th July	EYFS assembly -parents invited at 9:30am
Thurs 16th July	Year 6 leavers Mass at 9am in church
Frid 17th July	Party day - please see pg. 9 School breaks up for the Summer
Thurs 3rd Sept	Years 1-6 - school opens for our new academic year

IMPORTANT

**Y6 SATs results have
been delayed - please
see letter on pg. 20.**

Guided by the teachings of the Church we pray, work, celebrate, and care for each other and other people using the gifts we have been given by God the Father, Son and Spirit.

Mrs Milligan and Mr Spindlow's Message

We have enjoyed a busy and exciting time this week with lots of opportunities for our children to develop new skills and celebrate their achievements. Our KS2 pupils and our resource base pupils took part in a fantastic Sports Day, showing great determination, teamwork and sportsmanship throughout the events. It was wonderful to see everyone encouraging one another and taking pride in their efforts. Year 3 have also been taking part in Bikeability sessions, where they have been developing important cycling skills and learning how to stay safe when cycling. The children have shown excellent focus and enthusiasm, growing in both confidence and independence over the course of the training.

We held our transition morning, giving children the opportunity to spend time with their new teachers and explore their new classrooms. This is always a valuable part of the school year, helping pupils to feel settled, excited and ready for the next stage of their learning journey.

We are very proud of how well all of our children have embraced these experiences.

Please see the Summer Events section on page 9 for further details of upcoming activities.

This Week's Gospel



Today, we hear how Jesus thanks God for revealing spiritual truths to the humble rather than the proud. He then offers a famous, comforting invitation to all who are exhausted by life's burdens, promising to give them soul-rest if they learn from His gentle and humble nature.

Matthew 11:25-30

At that time Jesus declared, “I thank you, Father, Lord of Heaven and Earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal Him. Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”



Other News



Aspens Bread Making workshop Y2 and Y3

On Wednesday 8th July, Y2 and Y3 parents are invited into school to take part in an exciting bread making workshop with our caterers, Aspens. During the workshop, you will have opportunity to learn a new skill with your child whilst learning more about healthy food options.

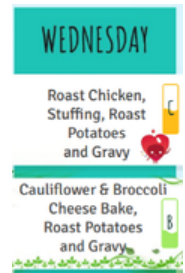


9:15-10:15: Y3 children and parents workshop

10:30-11:30: Y2 children and parents workshop

Y2 -lunch with your child at 11:30am

(this would have been arranged with the office and you will receive a confirmation text)



teachers for next year

Resource Base: Miss Hopkins & Mr Bowkett

Reception: Miss Gately

Year 1: Miss Hulme

Year 2: Mrs Wall

Year 3: Mr Johnson

Year 4: Mrs Burrell & Mr Green

Year 5: Mrs Colquhoun

Year 6: Mrs Wood & Mrs Martin-Westall

Your children's new teacher looks forward to spending time with them during Tuesday 30th June's transition morning.



Free Breakfast Club

We are delighted to announce that Guardian Angels will be launching a new, government-funded free Breakfast Club starting this September.

This initiative is designed to ensure every child has access to a healthy start to their day, helping them arrive in class settled and ready to learn. We are currently in the process of finalizing the arrangements and will share full details regarding timings, location, and how to register with you very soon.

We look forward to bringing this new service to our school community!

This Week's Attendance



Attendance Counts

Year Group	
EYFS	90.4
Year 1	88.9
Year 2	91.4
Year 3	87.0
Year 4	88.7
Year 5	92.5
Year 6	84.4

Our school attendance target is 95%. The overall attendance for last week was 89.0%.

It is really important that we continue to work together to do all we can to prioritise the children's attendance at school.

Attendance Support

Mrs Tennant and the attendance team are always available to offer advice and support to help ensure your child is able to attend every day and reach their full potential. To book an appointment, please call the office on: 0121 747 2782

SPOTLIGHT ON PERSISTENT ABSENCE

What is persistent absence?
If your child takes too much time off school they will become categorised as PA or persistently absent.
(Attendance below 90% = persistent absence).

Missing school will make your child fall behind in lessons and will impact on their academic progress and achievement.
Don't allow your child to become a PA student.

This table shows how many days missed each half-term will make your child a PA student:

How many days will make my child a persistent absent student?	
Half-term 1	3 ½ days off school from September until October half-term holiday will make your child a PA student.
Half-term 1-2	7 days off school from September until the Christmas holiday will make your child a PA student.
Half term 1-3	10 days of absence from September until February half-term will make your child a PA student.
Half term 1-4	12 ½ days of absence from September until the Easter holidays will make your child a PA student.
Half-term 1-5	15 ½ days of absence from September until May half-term will make your child a PA student.
Half-term 1-6	19 days of absence for the full academic year (September to end of summer term in July) will make your child a PA student.



Safeguarding Tip of the Week

A Parent's Quick Guide to Body Safety: The PANTS Rule

Teaching your child about body safety is crucial for their protection. The NSPCC's "Pantosaurus" song and PANTS rule provide a simple and effective way to have this important conversation.

The PANTS Rule

Privates are private.

Always remember your body belongs to you.

No means no. You have the right to say no to any touch you don't like.

Talk about secrets that upset you.

Speak up, someone can help. Tell a trusted adult if you're worried.

Key Actions for Parents

Talk Openly: Use the correct names for body parts. This removes shame and helps your child speak clearly if they need to.

Teach Body Autonomy: Make it clear they are in charge of their own body. It's okay to say no to unwanted hugs or kisses, even from family.

Identify Trusted Adults: Help your child name 3-5 adults they can talk to if they ever feel scared or worried.

Warning Signs

Be aware of significant changes in your child's behaviour, such as becoming withdrawn or anxious, or using sexual language that is not age-appropriate.

Where to Get Help

NSPCC: For advice and support, call 0808 800 5000. Search for "Pantosaurus" online for child-friendly songs and resources.

Childline: A confidential service for children. They can call 0800 1111.

Police/Children's Services: If you believe a child is in immediate danger, contact the police or your local children's social care services.

E- Safety Tip

In the guide, you'll find tips such as managing screen time, block in-app purchases and using devices together.



Last Week's Awards



Virtues Award

EYFS - Soraya-Summer

Year 1 - Jaxon

Year 2 - Harry

Year 3 - Hunter

Year 4 - Bistrat

Year 5 - Jude

Year 6 - N/A



Reader of the Week

EYFS - Princess

Year 1 - Za'rae

Year 2 - Larna

Year 3 - Ava

Year 4 - Alice

Year 5 - Herani

Year 6 - N/A



PE Star of the Week

EYFS - Eden

Year 1 - Remailiah

Year 2 - N/A

Year 3 - Jack

Year 4 - Luna

Year 5 - Eden

Year 6 - N/A

Star Pupils

EYFS

Mileymae and Tiarah

Year 1

Melody and Cayson

Year 2

Muhammad and Louie

Year 3

Sidney and Billy

Year 4

Ayanne and Aoife

Year 5

Mason and Eva

Year 6

N/A



Birthday Celebrations

Eden (EYFS) Charlie (Year 3)
LJ (Year 4) Herani (Year 5)

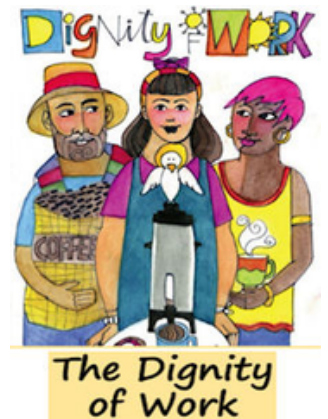
Best Wishes from your Guardian Angels Family



Catholic Social Teaching

The Dignity of Work

Work is important in God's plan for people.
Jobs and pay should be fair for all.



Virtues this Half Term

Grateful and Generous



Grateful: We are grateful for the gifts God has given to us, for the gifts of other people and the blessings of each new day. We are thankful for what we have and for the people around us.

Generous: We are generous with our gifts and use them in the service of others. We are generous with our time and give of ourselves to serve others as God wants us to. We are generous with our actions, doing things to help other people and make a difference in the world.



Heavenly Father, as this week comes to a close, I bring You my heart full of gratitude. Thank You for Your constant guidance.
Amen.

Have a lovely weekend and God Bless

Mrs Helen Milligan, Mr Spindlow and
all the staff at Guardian Angels



WORLD CUP ATTENDANCE

Every week, teams
with 95%+
attendance will win 3
gold coins for their
Saints House

Every week, teams
with 94%
attendance will win 2
gold coins for their
Saints House



Every week, teams
with 93% or less
attendance will win 1
gold coin for their
Saints House

The winning team at
the end of the school
year will win a
special prize.





Summer EVENTS

10th* SUMMER DISCO JULY

- Non uniform day - bring a coloured gift donation ^see below for further details
- Child event in school hours
- Refreshments
- Ice cream van

*(rearranged from 24th June)

^COLOURED GIFT DONATION

Please send in with your child on Friday 10th July.
Raffle tickets are on sale now! £1 a strip.
Winners will be announced on Thursday 16th July.

EYFS: Red
Year 1: Blue
Year 2: Green
Year 3: Yellow
Year 4: Purple
Year 5: Orange
Year 6: White

17th PARTY AND TOY JULY DAY

- Non uniform day
- Non electronic toys only
- Child event in school hours
- 'Donations of party food welcome

'PARTY FOOD DONATION

Please check with your child's class teacher for any allergy information

- Cupcakes
- Sweets
- Crisps
- Crackers
- Squash
- etc

The background of the poster features a soccer stadium at night with bright lights. At the top, a soccer ball is shown in motion. The English flag is on the left and the Mexican flag is on the right. The text 'ENGLAND' is in large red letters, 'Vs.' is in blue script, and 'MEXICO' is in large green letters. Below this, a dark blue banner contains the date and time. Three white boxes with icons provide additional information. At the bottom, there is a large soccer ball on the left and silhouettes of cheering fans on the right.

ENGLAND

Vs.

MEXICO



MONDAY 6TH JULY |  **AT 1.00AM**



We understand many of our children will want to enjoy the next World Cup England Match, and that parents may feel uncertain how to handle the 1.00am kick off!



In order to ensure our children are enabled to be in school, bright-eyed and bushy-tailed, we invite pupils to a special replay in our class from

≥ **9.00am!** ≤



Please **keep the results a secret** from your child so they can enjoy it privately in school, with us!

COME TOGETHER.
CHEER TOGETHER! 



HOLLY LANE OPEN DAY TRIALS

Mixed (Boys & Girls)
AGES 6 - 16



TRIAL DATE:
20TH JUNE



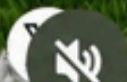
TIME:
10AM START



LOCATION:
SHARD END No6 PLAYING FIELDS
B34 7SD



**REGISTER VIA OUR
SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS**



SOCCER SATURDAY

< COACHES >

✓ **Coach Lee**
UEFA B Qualified

✓ **Coach Mark**
UEFA C Qualified



🕒 Saturdays

Ages 2-4: 10:30-11:00 • £4.00

Ages 5-6: 10:30-11:15 • £4.50

Ages 7-9: 9:15-10:15 • £5.50

Ages 10-13: 9:15-10:15 • £5.50

Ages 14-16: 9:15-10:15 • £5.50

👟 Boots required • Grass pitch



Kendrick Avenue
Shard End
B34 7SD

Boys & girls welcome

FOR MORE INFO



Txt Lee:
07393 176495



Txt Mark:
07595 980830

To book or for more info →



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APPLY NOW!



HOW TO BOOK

**Bring
it on
Brum**

GET YOUR CODE

1

Get your BIOB code from your child's school.

If you haven't received your code, but believe you are eligible for the programme, please contact your child's school.

CHOOSE YOUR CLUBS

2

Go to bringitonbrum.co.uk and click

BOOK NOW**3**

Enter your criteria E.g Location, participant age, date and click

SEARCH

To view the session details click

MORE INFORMATION**4**

Once you've found a holiday club you like, click 'BOOK NOW' and choose a date and time that works for you.

5

Enter your child's details- you can add more than once child.

You may need to add 'Supplementary Information' Please write 'none' in any fields that do not apply.

6

Repeat to add more sessions.

CREATE A LOG-IN

7

Once you have chosen all your sessions, go to your cart and click

CHECKOUT**8**

To complete your booking, you will need to create a log-in. You can then view/ edit and add any additional bookings at any time by logging in.

Create a Log-in

- ☒ Add your details
- ☒ Sign up for session reminders
- ☒ Enter your child/ children's details
- ☒ Sign up for the Bring it on Brum! newsletter

COMPLETE BOOKING

9

Click **COMPLETE BOOKING**

Why not take a photo of these instructions?



MORE INFORMATION:
www.bringitonbrum.co.uk





Birmingham
City Council

Department
for Education

Dear Parent,

Bring it on Brum! Summer Holiday Clubs 2026

Get ready for a fantastic summer! Birmingham's [Bring it on Brum!](#) holiday clubs are back – offering children a fun, active and healthy way to spend the school holidays, completely free for eligible families.

Funded by the **Department for Education Holiday Activities and Food Programme**, these clubs are open to children aged 4–16 who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals.

Not sure if your child is eligible?

It's quick and easy to check. You can find full details here:

<https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/birmingham/school>

What's on offer this summer?

Children can enjoy a wide range of activities, including:

- sports and games
- arts and crafts
- cooking and food activities
- dance and music

Each session also includes a **healthy meal**, helping children stay energised throughout the day.

Summer Holiday Clubs – Key Details

- **Dates:** Monday 20 July – Friday 28 August 2026 (excluding weekends and Bank Holidays)
- **Bookings open:** Monday 29 June 2026
- Book online at: www.bringitonbrum.co.uk

Your Bring it on Brum! code: **the school will text you this code if you are eligible**

Not eligible for free places?

Many clubs also offer **paid places**, so there are still opportunities to take part.

Kind regards

Guardian Angels Catholic Primary School

Reception Children



Supporting Your Child Starting School

Is your child starting Reception this year?
Join our webinar to help you feel confident
and prepared for this important milestone.

23rd June and 2nd July 2026 | 5:30PM - 6:30PM

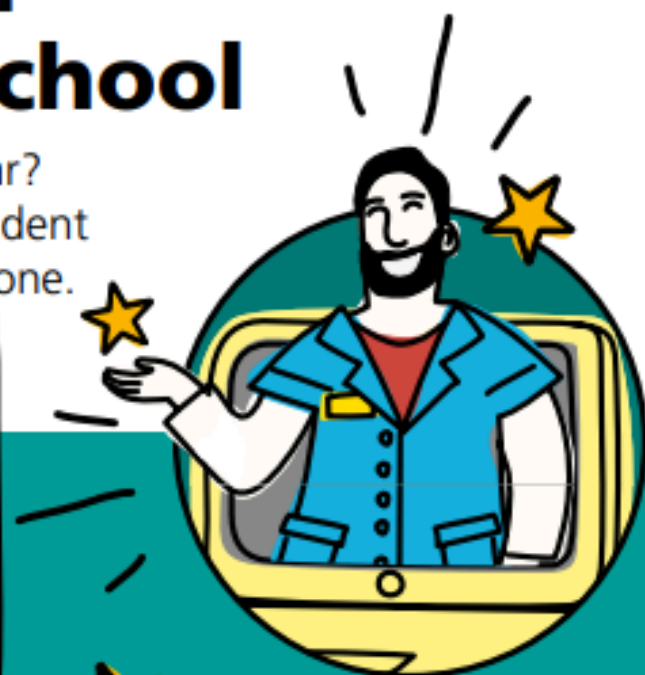
Join this helpful session to learn:

- Preparing your child for starting school
- Supporting independence and routines
- What to expect in the first weeks of Reception

This will be delivered by Birmingham school health support service.

Scan the QR code to join or use the link:

[www.bhamcommunity.nhs.uk/
webinar-reception](http://www.bhamcommunity.nhs.uk/webinar-reception)





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EYFS and KS1 Sports Day Arrangements – Monday 6th July

We are very much looking forward to our upcoming EYFS and KS1 Sports Day on **Monday 6th July**.

As you may be aware, work has now begun on our exciting new school resource base. While we are thrilled about the new facilities this will provide for our pupils, the ongoing construction means that a portion of our school site is currently restricted. To ensure we adhere to strict health and safety protocols and to safely limit the number of people on the school site at any one time, we have had to make the decision to split the sports day into separate sessions for each year group.

The revised timings for the day are as follows:

- **EYFS:** 9:00 am – 10:00 am
- **Year 1:** 10:00 am – 11:00 am
- **Year 2:** 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

We sincerely apologise for any inconvenience these changes may cause, particularly for parents with children in multiple year groups. However, the safety of our pupils and visitors is our primary concern during this period of construction.

Safeguarding and Spectator Arrangements

To ensure the event runs smoothly and safely, we would like to remind parents of the following protocols:

- **Designated Spectator Area:** There will be a clearly marked area for parents to spectate. For safeguarding reasons, this area is situated away from the children's activity zones.
- **Approaching Children:** All children have been instructed that they must stay with their class and teacher at all times. We kindly ask that you do not approach your child or call them over to the spectator area during the event. This is vital for our safeguarding and registration procedures.
- **Snacks:** please do not hand your child any snacks during the event this will cause delay with events. There will be a time after all the events have finished where your child can spend time with you and have any snacks you brought for them then.

A Fun and Inclusive Event

Finally, we would like to remind everyone that our sports day is designed to be a fun, inclusive celebration of physical activity and team spirit. While we encourage you to cheer loudly for all the children, we ask that parents maintain a supportive and positive atmosphere. We want every child to enjoy their day without the pressure of over-competitive behaviour.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding as we navigate these site improvements. We look forward to seeing you there for a fantastic morning and afternoon of sport!



**Getting Ready
for Secondary
School**

**Online National
Course**

Is your child or a young
person you know
**transitioning from year 6 to
year 7 this Summer?**



Does this young person have
**Speech, Language and
Communication needs?**



**Afasic is providing a FREE
online Transition Course for
Year 6 students across the
country with Speech,
Language, and Communication
Needs (SLCN) who will be
starting Secondary School in
September 2026.**



**Summer
Holidays
2026**

**Get in touch for more
information**

TCC@afasic.org.uk

www.afasic.org.uk

**Or scan QR code
to enroll**



Advise session



Autism West Midlands offers free 45-minute advice calls with our Autism Specialist Advisors for parents and carers living in the Birmingham area.

During the session, we can discuss your concerns, offer guidance and signposting, and provide tailored resources and information based on what has been discussed.

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To join the waiting list, please scan the QR code below.



Please note: this service is available to Birmingham residents only.



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Friday 3rd July 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to let you know about a delay to this year's Key Stage 2 (KS2) test results, which affects all schools nationally. Schools were due to receive results on 7 July 2026. However, Pearson Education Limited, the provider responsible for administering, marking, and returning Key Stage 2 results to schools has informed the Department for Education of a delay affecting the national system used to make results available to schools. Results will now be available on 16 July 2026.

Importantly, the delay is not related to the quality of the tests or the accuracy of pupils' results. Test papers have been marked in line with usual processes.

This will not impact your child's transition to secondary school and no action is required from parents or pupils. We will share results with you as quickly as possible after we receive them on 16 July.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Helen Milligan

Executive Headteacher