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17 days to kick-off...of the PTA World Cup Fiesta



It's the spirit of Rio at this year's PTA Summer Gala, with a World Cup themed fun-packed day. Everyone is particularly encouraged to come dressed in your favourite football strip! The gala takes place on Sunday 29th June and preparations are already well underway. You can already buy tickets for the event each day in the playground - tickets are £1.50 each, or £4 for a family. We now ask you to send in your donations for the tombola stall - new or unwanted gifts preferred please. We will collect for the bottle stall during the week leading up to the Fiesta, so please hold on to those until 23rd June. We are also looking for volunteers to help on the day. Former PTA Chair and current Y6 parent Laurence Sharman will be asking volunteers to sign up for helping with set-up / on a stall for part of the afternoon / clean-up duty.



New school website

It's still in draft form, but the new school website is almost complete, and we want your input. Governors and the

Parent Forum have already given lots of great ideas, but we'd like to hear from even more parents. At the site, you will see Class Blogs. From September the staff will be trained in how to add content, and we hope parents and children will enjoy seeing examples of work and value being kept up-to-date with messages, via these blogs.

You can see the draft website at:

www.kingdavid.org.uk

If you have any suggestions of further useful content, or any other constructive comments, please email Mr Langford at head@kingdavid.bham.sch.uk

Class photographs

Tomorrow (Friday 13th June) the photographer will be in school to take whole class photos of Nursery, Reception and Y6. If your child is in one of these classes, please make sure they are looking smart - and for Reception and Y6 to have the correct school uniform.



Proposed 20mph zones

Today your child will have brought home a flier entitled "20 mph is plenty". This gives some explanation about proposed 20mph zones, including Moseley and Kings Heath. Minor roads and main high streets will be covered.

As an A-road, Alcester Road outside the school will not be included. This will worry many parents, who have seen too many near-misses, as drivers cross the brow of the hill, heading down towards Moseley. If there are speed limits in Kings Heath High Street and Moseley centre, but not outside the school, there is every danger that drivers will speed up outside the school, causing an even greater threat to our children's safety.

The Council has indicated that they might consider a variable 20mph speed limit outside schools on A-roads, in operation only at certain times. We hope parents see this as a very sensible solution, and will join in with the consultation. Learn more from the fliers or at

www.birmingham.gov.uk/20mph

Aspens

Contract Food and Support Services

Each day, bread, water, fresh fruit and a salad bar are available. There is a daily sandwich option.

Monday

Baked fish fingers or fish cakes with potato wedges, or Sweet and Sour Quorn stir fry;
Crispy vegetables and noodles;
Fruit flapjack

Tuesday

Minced beef or Quorn spaghetti Bolognese;
Jam sponge tart with custard

Wednesday

Roast chicken, garlic roast potatoes and stuffing, or vegetable samosas;
Non-dairy cheese, crackers and grapes

Thursday

Chicken and mushroom pie or Vegetarian cottage pie, with creamed potatoes;
Fruit jelly with fruit pieces

Friday

Hot dog day - meat and vegetarian options available;
Chocolate sponge with chocolate icing



This menu is dependant on availability of ingredients and is subject to change.

Friday night Kiddush

Every Friday afternoon the whole school comes together for a mock Friday evening Kiddush - the meal that brings in Shabbat (the Sabbath day).

Tomorrow it is Y5's turn to help lay the table or sit and take part. All parents are warmly welcomed to join us for this assembly, Fridays at 1:30pm.



Letters home:

Mini tennis afterschool club (Y3 & Y4)
Symphony Hall visit (Y3 to Y6)
Aegon Classic visit (Y5)
Phonics screening test (Y1)
Class assembly (Y6)

Parking still a problem?

Many parents applied for and received parking passes, allowing them to use the Village car park opposite the school, at the beginning and end of the school day. Without a doubt, this has improved the local parking situation greatly. However there are still one or two parents who park inconsiderately, including blocking local residents' driveways. Please note it is a parking offence to park across a dropped kerb, in front of a driveway. We have also had a problem with people parking at the back gate, blocking that emergency entrance, and even stopping school staff from reaching the staff carpark. Repeat offenders will be named and shamed!



Walking home alone

As the Y6 children look forward to senior school and the increased responsibility and independence this requires, we sometimes have requests that children are allowed to walk home alone. While this can be possible for children in the older year-groups, it must be agreed in advance with the school, and a discussion will take place about the actual trip involved, possible hazards and the maturity and confidence of the child involved. Likewise we sometimes have queries about older siblings, currently at senior school, collecting children at hometime. Common sense must prevail and every case judged for its individual circumstances, so please discuss the matter further with a member of staff if you wish.

Coming up...

Friday 13th June: Nur, Rec & Y6 class photographs

Thursday 19th June: Ladies' Zumba at **10am**

Thursday 26th and Friday 27th June:

Nursery closed, for new intake visits

Sunday 29th June: PTA World Cup Fiesta

Tuesday 8th July, 2pm: End-of-year show

Wednesday 9th July, 7pm: End-year show

Thursday 17th July, pm: Sports Day

Tuesday 22nd July, pm: EYFS Sports Day