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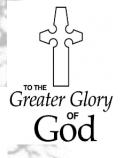
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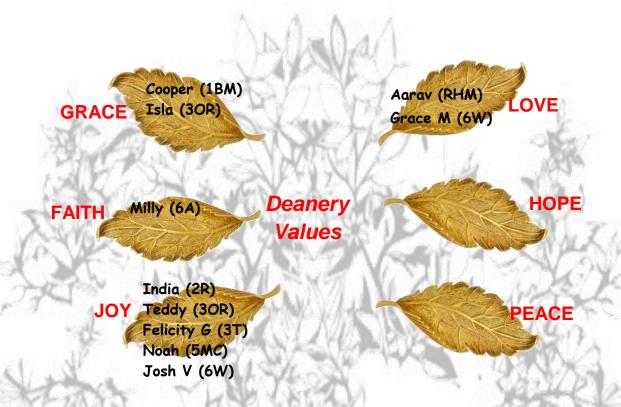
How refreshing to be able to have a bank holiday weekend, where the weather was kind. I hope that you were able to enjoy some down time with your families and friends.

As we continue to move into the summer months it is important that all children bring a drink of water into school. Clear drinks bottles can be purchased from the main school office and should be the container to use. If you choose to use an alternative bottle, please ensure that it too is transparent. We appear to be having an increasing amount of 'fashion bottles' those made from stainless steel or with 'flavoured scent', these are fabulous to use at home, but not at all necessary in school.

Next week, children in year 6 will be taking their end of Key Stage 2 tests. We know that they, along with their teachers, have been working very hard over recent months. We wish all children in year 6 the very best.







Phase News

Nursery have been painting their own minibeasts. Children have also made their own bug hotels and have placed them at the top of the field. They have been learning how to write their name using correct pencil grip and letter formation.

We are learning all about London this week in Reception. We have been identifying and creating famous landmarks. In maths children have been exploring different ways of making 10, ensuring they have quick fluency with composing and decomposing the number.

Year 1 have been exploring real life fractions, understanding what half and whole is. They have been cutting up shapes and fruit to understand this concept. In geography children have been looking at aerial views identifying physical and human features of a place.

Year 2 have been learning all about Christopher Columbus in History. They've learnt that he was an explorer through his travels, discovered the Americas.

Year 3 have come to the end of their fractions topic in maths. They have been learning about equivalent fractions and how to add and subtract them.

Pupil Voice

Joshua (RHM) - "I like the London landmarks and The London Eye is my favourite one."

Charlie (30R) - "I really enjoyed turning magnetic objects into magnets in Science."

Sienna (30R) - "I enjoyed reasoning with fractions."

Esme (30R) - "Has really enjoyed developing her throwing and batting skills for rounders."

Sophia C (3T) - "I have enjoyed maths and doing fractions of amounts. Even if it's hard I still enjoy it!"

Spencer S (3T) - "I enjoyed my enrichment doing sports, especially hockey and boxing."

Lydia (5MC) - "Some of us have been doing some paired reading with Year 1. I think it's good because they get to see how we read and we can help them with their reading. I'm really enjoying it!"

Vedika (6A) - "We finished are Identity Art work last week. We added our portraits and used bubble wrap and paint as a form of printing to add layers and textures to our final piece."

Yiorgos K (6W) - "I liked playing rounders in PE and I'm enjoying revising what I know in Maths."

Grace M (6W) - "In DT I liked creating a double page spread with all my ideas about fairgrounds and mechanisms."

Lost coat

Has anybody picked up a navy blue coat on the playground with the name 'A. Cholia' written inside? Please return to the school office if you have taken it home by mistake. Thank you

Follow us on Twitter...





Please follow us on Twitter to keep abreast of Deanery news and to see some of the great work and activities that we get up to.

Cross Country

The 2023-24 Cross Country Team have had a very successful season. All of the children have been practicing their long distance running – some in school, some outside of school and some have done both. Every single one of these children gave 110% in all of the races they were able to participate in and demonstrated fantastic team spirit throughout. We are very proud of you all!



Junior Duke





Here are the next dates for Junior Duke <u>sign</u> off meetings.... Don't forget you have to complete 7 tasks to receive your award at the end of the year. How many have you completed so far? <u>@JuniorDukeAward</u>

If any children have already completed their 7 tasks, please send their completed books in to Miss Morris.

House Captains



Congratulations to our new House Captains for the summer term who have been voted for by their peers #democracy #responsibility

Gymnastics

One of our super talented Gymnastics Teams headed off to the British Schools Floor & Vault Gymnastics National Finals this month. They qualified in first place at our regional competition and were representing, not just Deanery, but the whole of the West Midlands in this highly competitive event. Despite the obvious nerves, and a few minor injuries, all 5 gymnasts performed spectacularly on floor and vault, resulting in 5th place NATIONALLY!! Wow! Amazing job team!



School Uniform Grant 2024

Sutton Coldfield Charitable Trust have extended the deadline for applications for School Clothing Grants for 2024.

Application forms are available to collect from the School Office and the final deadline Thursday 13th June 2024 at 12 noon.

Behaviour Tokens





Well done and thank you to our super children who have collected behaviour tokens for going above and beyond and have donated them to our chosen charities.

Thanks also to our parents and friends for all the donations to our Easter Bunny Hop which have meant that we can make donations to @JerichoOrg @StMungos @christian_aid

THIS TERM

 We discussed lots of different charities but have decided to support three charities that have helped or affected members of our families.



Attendance at Deanery



Our current whole school attendance is 95.7%

Our overall attendance this year is 96.3% putting us in the top 10% of schools.

Well done Deanery!

RNIB Stamps Appeal

As a school, we would like to support RNIB this festive season and collect stamps to make a difference to blind and partially sighted people.

If you receive cards and letters through the post, could you save the stamps and send them in to us? We will recycle them and send them on to the RNIB who will recycle them into much-needed funds for their services.

We will have a collection box in the main school entrance or just send your stamps in to us in a bag or envelope and we will pop them in the collection box for you.







Early Help is a network of local organisations, here to ensure services are accessible for families who need support.

Use the QR code to access our

Family Connect Form

Fill in your details and what support you're looking for, and we will be in touch.































If you need more information, or support filling out the form, contact your Community Connectors, Dawn & Danielle communityconnectors@ourplacesupport.org











Chathealth



Do you know where I can get some health advice?

The School Health Support Service can help students with all kind of things like...

Relationships, mental health, alcohol, bullying, self-harm, smoking, drugs and healthy eating



Text the School Nurse for confidential advice and support on **07480635485**

We do not usually inform your parents, teachers or anyone else if you contact the school nurse. We might inform someone if we were concerned about your safety, but we would usually speak to you first. Your messages are stored and can be seen by other healthcare staff who follow the same confidentiality rules. We aim to reply to you within one working day and you should get an immediate bounce-back to confirm we received your text. Texts will not be seen outside of normal working hours. If you need help before you hear back from us, contact a member of school staff or your doctor. Our text number does not receive voice calls or MMS picture messages. We support messaging from UK mobile numbers only (which does not include messages sent from landlines, international mobile numbers and some 'number masking' mobile apps). Prevent the school nurse from sending messages to you by texting STOP to our number. Please respect your schools mobile phone policy. Messages are charged at your usual rate.



Better Care: Healthier Communities

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School Nurse

Please follow the link below for an updated telephone number and email address for the School Nursing Team. If you have any concerns or worries around the health and wellbeing of your child, please contact the School Nursing team. Birmingham Community Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust website here

PLEASE SEE INFORMATION BELOW FOR LOCAL ACTIVITIES

DEANERY DO NOT PROMOTE ANY OF THE ACTIVITIES

New Loss Workshops

Supporting Families Through Loss

OUR NEW WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN & GROWN-UPS





Monthly sessions on Saturday mornings 10–11.30 am

SUTTON BAPTIST CHURCH METTING ROOMS, B72 1TA

Supporting children to feel safe, seen, soothed & secure

A safe space to support your child through loss. A creative and compassionate community for you and your child to engage in soothing craft and activities.

To register your interest please email: hello@cherisheduk.org



A SAFE SPACE FOR GIRLS TO BUILD FRIENDSHIPS, CONFIDENCE,
SELF-ESTEEM AND WELLBEING!



· Primary Blossom (school years 4-6)

Mondays 4.30pm-5.45pm | Chester Road Baptist Church B73 5HG Wednesdays 6.15pm-7.30pm | St. Peters Church B72 1JJ

· Primary Blossom Tamworth (school years 4-6)

Tuesday 5.30-7pm | Landau Forte Academy Amington. Woodland Road. Amington. B77 4FF

· Secondary Blossom (school years 7-8)

Monday 6pm-7.15pm | Sutton Baptist Church, Trinity Hill, Sutton Coldfield, B72 1TA.

· Blossom Bloomers (school year 9+)

Tuesdays 6.30pm-8pm | Sutton Baptist Church, Trinity Hill, Sutton Coldfield, B72 1TA.



Kind & Craft Club!

Our Blossom Kind and Craft Club sessions are for girls in school Yrs 1-3, every Saturday morning! These are a safe space filled with craft, kindness, friendships and fun!

We explore topics relating to kindness and what makes us shine!

Saturday Mornings (10am-11.30am)

PENNS PRIMARY SCHOOL.

BERWOOD ROAD,

SUTTON COLDFIELD,

B72 1BS

IF YOU WOULD BE INTERESTED IN LEADING OUR KIND & CRAFT SESSIONS PLEASE LET US KNOW BY EMAILING - BLOSSOM@CHERISHEDUK.ORG





ROAR





NEW SATURDAY SESSIONS!

Join us for nature crafts, confidence building, fire lighting, survival skills, campfire cooking & wild play with Little Sprouts!

Blossom:

Saturday 13th april

10-12am (years 1-3) 12.30-2pm (years 4-6) 15 spaces available

Roar Youth

Saturday 11th May 10–12pm



£10 PER CHILD

The Woodland at
Heart of The Country
Shopping Village,
A38 South Swinfen,
London Rd,
Lichfield WS14 9QR

Email: blossom@cherisheduk.org to book your childs space





<u>FREE:</u> First Aid Awareness Session

Date: Wednesday 26th June 2024 10am - 12pm

Falcon Lodge Community Hub, Churchill Road, Sutton Coldfield, B75 7LB.

Free certificate



Focused on Adult & Child First Aid

To book your place please contact Natalie Clarke on 0121 752 1920 / 07870 981272.

Adult Session. Priority places for parents/carers of children under the age of 18.







Our Lottery funded project, **Play Attention!** is helping families in our local community as well as professional colleagues.

Our workshops are (say those people who have taken part,) really valuable forums of support for parents, carers, professionals. These workshops have been happening regularly this year, mostly on a virtual basis but also within our local community on an in-person basis where possible.

Our sessions with Al Coates MBE, focusing on Childhood Challenging, Violent, Aggressive Behaviour have enlightened, calmed and provided some "light in the darkness" for those parents and carers who are experiencing significant challenges in this area of focus...

"The information provided at this workshop was excellent; well-paced, relevantly anecdotal and the holding of space was very professional and warm." (Parent)

"It was lovely to hear other peoples' stories/experiences and to feel you aren't alone." (Parent)
In a similar way, Catherine Eveness, Director of Beacon NeuoConnect has led workshops focusing on Neurodiversity
(Autism, Dyslexia, ADHD and other aspects.) Parents, carers and professionals alike have benefitted from the continuity of
3 workshops, learning new ways of approaching the neurodiverse needs of their children and young people (or
themselves) and coming away after the 3rd of the 2 hour sessions better able to understand themselves, their children and
help others, in turn, to do so.

"Hearing others' journeys, experiences and challenges was really informative and helpful in navigating both parenting and diagnoses." (Parent)

We have a new group with this focus on Neurodiversity happening soon. You can book in by using the link here or jump onto our social media posts (Facebook, Insta, X where you can fill in a short application form.) Our next 3, two-hour virtual sessions will start on Thursday 23rd May at 10.00am. Do join us if you can!



FACE was set up to empower parents and help those who support children and young adults.



With the stresses and strains of modern life, our children and young adults have never been under so much pressure. We aim to offer advice, tips and support to parents who want to get the best out of their family relationships and need new tools to do that.



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Topics relating to communication, behaviour and emotional management.
Offering a range of advice and practical interventions.



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FACE supports in a range of ways: group online sessions one to one online sessions videos available to rent in-person talks at schools



Available Topics:

DIY DADS 3 part programme

Let's FACE Communication

Understanding the Teenage Brain Running a Family Meeting Autism: Improving Communication What is ACT?

Let's FACE Emotions:

Raising Self-Esteem Understanding Anger Anxiety Explained Decreasing Depression

Let's FACE Behaviour:

Supporting a child with ADHD Getting a Good Night Understanding Addictive Behaviour Cannabis Awareness



The face of FACE Jane Keyworth

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The interactive online sessions are timed to avoid school drop off and pick up times. Each session is repeated, morning, afternoon and evening.



FACE introduces parents to effective and evidence based interventions. Giving parents the tools and information necessary to support their own children.

Interventions are taken from the therapeutic models: Motivational Interviewing (MI) ACT (Acceptance & Commitment Therapy) CBT (Cognitive Behavioural Therapy) Transactional Analysis (TA)

B James said,

"Jane gives no nonsense, straight talking parenting advice that really hits the crux of parenting. Her wealth of family and professional experience shines through..."

See the website for more testimonials from parents who have benefitted from these sessions.



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MAY HALF TERM



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WED 29 MAY - THU 30 MAY from 10 am to 4 pm

Online booking: www.halfterm.artclubs.kids

Art venue: Mere Green Community Centre

Bookings are now open for our Bishop Walsh Football and Tennis Camp over Whitsun Week. It would be great if you could send this out to parents so that we can get more children involved.

Football Camp will take place: Tuesday 28th May - Friday 31st May 2024 **Tennis Camp** will take place: Tuesday 28th May - Thursday 30th May 2024

If you book onto our Football Camp for the full week (half day sessions, full day sessions and 8am-4pm sessions) you will receive a **FREE Microsports Football**. Bookings need to be made before **Friday 17th May 2024**.

To book onto our camps please visit our website:

Football Camp: https://microsports.squarespace.com/bishop-walsh/p/mayhalftermcamp-tennis Camp: https://microsports.squarespace.com/bishop-walsh/p/mayhalftermcamp-tennis

Or for more information please contact sarah@micro-sports.co.uk



MAY HALF TERM SOCCER SCHOOLS



Locations:

Aston (Aston Villa Inner City Academy)
Harborne (Lordswood Girls School)
Tamworth (Bodymoor Heath Training Ground)

Time:

9:30 - 15:30

Age:

5-12 years old



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