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### ATTENDANCE

**We aim for 100% attendance and punctuality for every child**

w/e 13/6/2014

Class of the Week

Year 4 99.31% 😊😊😊

Whole School Attendance was 98.08% 😊😊😊

210 children achieved 100% Attendance

Dear Parents,

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2014

This has been such a busy week in school that we have not yet had time to come to terms with England's performance so far in the World Cup. However, our own Holy Family World Cup is taking shape with qualifying matches being played already this week. So just a reminder about ...

#### **Football Strip Fridays**

To also celebrate and join in with the excitement of the World Cup children will be allowed to wear a football strip or football top and school trousers every Friday for the duration of this competition. We ask for a donation of **50p per child per Friday** which we will put towards providing new sports kit's for the children when they are representing our school in competitions. If your child doesn't have a strip then the colours of the team they are supporting will do.

Other events this week have been...

#### **No pen day - Wednesday**

This was a really enjoyable day for children and teachers. Children were involved in drama, group tasks, problem solving, map reading, games and much much more. Year 2 had a Pirate Theme and Year 5 had a Desert Island theme. One of our Year 5 pupils said "can we have no pens day every week, today I was talking all day long and now I feel much more confident in the classroom". Teachers came together at the end of the day to share their experiences and we discussed whether we should make this a regular event and how we could improve next time. We decided that the next No Pens day will be 15<sup>th</sup> October which is actually National No Pens day and then we would repeat the event again in the Summer Term 2015. Even teachers were not allowed to use pens - that was a challenge for many of us! Thank you to Mrs. Upham and Mrs. King for their organisation of this event.

#### **E-safety briefing and family Science Inspire - this morning**

Thank you so much to all the parents who came to learn with their children this morning. Your feedback has been very positive and you have made some good suggestions for the future - we will work on this and fully expect to repeat this experience in the next academic year. Thank you to Mr. Foley and all the teachers who planned and delivered the sessions.

**And next week...**

On Monday Mr. Foley is taking a group of pupils to St. Gerrard's school and our pupils have prepared a presentation about Islam that they will present to the pupils of St. Gerrard's. We feel privileged to be invited to take part in such a worthwhile community cohesion learning event and I know our pupils are well prepared.

On Tuesday Y6 will be visiting St. Chad's Cathedral as part of our RE curriculum and some pupils from Y4 and Y5 will be visiting King Edward VI Five Ways to take part in Literacy and Humanities projects.

#### **Jaguar F1 Challenge**

Our Y5 team who won the regional finals, compete in the national finals at the Ricoh Stadium in Coventry next Tuesday - good luck to them!

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On Tuesday our Cricket Team compete in the Catholic Cup finals - good luck to the boys!

On Thursday we have a girls time entering the Catholic 5 a side tournament - good luck to the girls too!

**KS2 in school Mass with Fr. Philip Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June at 09.15 a.m.**

This is a special Inscription Mass for the Y5 children who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in the Autumn Term. The parents of those children are expected to attend but we open the invitation to this special Mass to all our parents.

**Universal Free School Meals**

Parents in Reception Class and Year 1 will be receiving forms today, that need to be completed and returned so that their child is ready to receive free meals in September. We will also be asking parents of children in Years 2, 3, 4 & 5 to complete a form over the next couple of weeks, to verify entitlement of the children that have free meals in these classes and in hopeful anticipation that the government in the future may extend the free meals provision to all pupils.

**Lost Property**

We have collected a huge amount of lost property and so next week Mrs. Hollywood will be putting this out in the playground both in the morning and the afternoon - anything not claimed will have to be thrown away. **May I remind parents that children clothes and belongings should be labelled.**

**King Edward VI parent day**

Parents whose children have been involved in recent visits to KEVI Five Ways are reminded that tomorrow you are required to take your child to this school. **The session is from 09.00 a.m. to 12 noon. The address is King Edward VI Five Ways School, Scotland Lane, Bartley Green, Birmingham. B32 4 BT and there are directions and a map available from Miss Keating in the school office.**

**New Reception parents meeting - Tuesday 10.30 a.m. in the school hall, then joining their children for lunch, thank you.**

**New Nursery parents meetings - Wednesday morning and afternoon. Thank you.**

**Nursery Closed Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

Parents please note that Nursery will be closed all day on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July as it is the induction day for the children that will be starting in September.

I ask your prayers for Mrs. Jones and Mr. Orsler who continue to be unwell and unable to be in school; also for anyone in need of our prayers at this time. Enjoy the weekend and we look forward to another busy week in school next week.

Yours sincerely,

*M Mulroy*

Mrs M Mulroy  
Headteacher

# INFORMATION FOR PRIMARY TEACHERS



## 1. CHILDNET RESOURCES AND WEBSITES



**Childnet:** In our **Teachers and Professionals** area you will find resources to help you use the internet safely and positively as a professional, and information to help safeguard your workplace and the young people you work with.

The **Hot Topics** section contains detailed information on a range of e-safety topics such as downloading, sexting, social networking, gaming and grooming. [www.childnet.com](http://www.childnet.com)



**UK Safer Internet Centre:** Childnet is part of the European Commission appointed UK Safer Internet Centre. Together with partners the Internet Watch Foundation and the South West Grid for Learning, we raise awareness about internet safety, develop information materials and resources and organise high profile events such as Safer Internet Day. You can access a range of resources from across the UK, Europe and wider afield at [www.saferinternet.org.uk](http://www.saferinternet.org.uk).



**Digizen:** A website providing information and advice to encourage responsible digital citizenship. It shares advice and guidance on preventing and responding to cyberbullying, including the film 'Let's Fight It Together' and specific information on social networking. [www.digizen.org](http://www.digizen.org)



**KidSMART:** This award winning Childnet website is for children, teachers, parents and carers and offers fun games and activities for children alongside effective internet safety advice. Don't forget to check out our new Early Surfers' Zone for 3-7 year olds where you can read the online stories 'The Adventures of Smartie the Penguin' and 'Digiduck's Big Decision.' [www.kidsmart.org.uk](http://www.kidsmart.org.uk)



**Chatdancer:** A site for teenagers that shares advice on how to stay safe while chatting online; it gives real life accounts and highlights the potential dangers on interactive services like chat, IM, online games, email and mobiles. Young people can also write to the website for specific advice on different online situations. [www.chatdancer.com](http://www.chatdancer.com)

## 2. OTHER RESOURCES, ACTIVITIES & LESSON PLANS



**Think U Know:** A website run by CEOP that contains information for children, parents and teachers, as well as a link for children to report abuse online. [www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)



**Digital Literacy and Citizenship:** A free set of curriculum documents to support digital literacy and citizenship teaching in school. The documents include medium term plans, individual lesson plans and links to online resources and activities. [www.swgfl.org.uk/digitalalliteracy](http://www.swgfl.org.uk/digitalalliteracy)



**Mini Mentors:** Part of the Cyber Mentors programme, encouraging primary pupils to look after themselves and show respect to others through a training programme. [www.cybermentors.org.uk/teachers-and-professionals/resources/](http://www.cybermentors.org.uk/teachers-and-professionals/resources/)

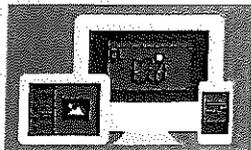


**Horrible Histories:** The BBC created a number of e-safety videos for Safer Internet Day 2012. They are free to view online and can provide a good introduction to a lesson or class discussion. [www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/topics/stay-safe](http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/topics/stay-safe)



**TES Teaching Resources:** The TES website has an extensive resource bank for all subjects, including e-safety. Resources and lesson plans have been created and shared by teachers. (Sign up required) [www.tes.co.uk/teaching-resources/](http://www.tes.co.uk/teaching-resources/)

### 3. SOCIAL NETWORKING



**Young People & Social Networking Sites:** Aims to help parents understand the positive and creative ways young people are using social networking spaces (eg Facebook, Twitter and Google+). It also points out the potential risks of using these sites and ways to minimise these risks.

[www.childnet.com/ufiles/Young-people-and-social-networking-A.pdf](http://www.childnet.com/ufiles/Young-people-and-social-networking-A.pdf)



**Facebook Family Safety Centre:** Provides useful information and tips for parents and carers, teens and educators. These pages do not require a Facebook account in order to view them. [www.facebook.com/safety](http://www.facebook.com/safety)



**Google+ Safety Centre:** Provides useful information and tips for parents and carers, teens and educators. These pages do not require a Google account in order to view them. [www.google.com/+safety](http://www.google.com/+safety)



**Twitter Help Centre - Tips for Teachers:** Provides useful information and tips for teachers and professionals. These pages do not require a Twitter account in order to view them. [support.twitter.com](http://support.twitter.com)

### 4. PROFESSIONAL REPUTATION



**Professional Reputation:** A guide about your personal use of social networking sites; keeping you, the young people you work with, and your job safe.

[www.childnet.com/teachers-and-professionals/for-you-as-a-professional/professional-reputation](http://www.childnet.com/teachers-and-professionals/for-you-as-a-professional/professional-reputation)



**Facebook Checklist:** Practical information around privacy settings, how to choose what information and images to share, and where to turn for help.

[http://www.childnet.com/downloads/Facebook\\_Check/Facebook\\_Checklist.pdf](http://www.childnet.com/downloads/Facebook_Check/Facebook_Checklist.pdf)



**Using Technology:** A guide to help you use technology safely and responsibly, whether in your work with young people or at home.

[www.childnet.com/teachers-and-professionals/for-you-as-a-professional/using-technology](http://www.childnet.com/teachers-and-professionals/for-you-as-a-professional/using-technology)

### 5. SEARCH ENGINES SUITABLE FOR USE IN SCHOOLS



BBC: [www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/find](http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/find)



Safe Search: [primaryschoolici.com](http://primaryschoolici.com)



Ask Kids: [www.askkids.com](http://www.askkids.com)



Yahoo!: [kids.yahoo.com](http://kids.yahoo.com)

### 6. WHERE TO GO FOR HELP



**Need help?** Advice about how to report concerns such as cyberbullying, inappropriate content or illegal behaviour.

[www.childnet.com/teachers-and-professionals/for-working-with-young-people/need-help](http://www.childnet.com/teachers-and-professionals/for-working-with-young-people/need-help)



**Professionals Online Safety Helpline:** The UK Safer Internet Centre has been funded by the European Commission to provide a Helpline for professionals who work with children and young people in the UK, specifically tackling the area of e-safety. **0844 381 4772**



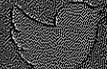
**Child Exploitation and Online Protection (CEOP):** A police agency tackling child abuse on the internet. This website includes a unique facility that enables parents and young people to make reports of actual or attempted abuse online. [www.ceop.police.uk](http://www.ceop.police.uk)



**Internet Watch Foundation:** The UK's hotline for reporting illegal content found on the internet. It deals specifically with child abuse and criminally obscene images hosted in the UK and internationally. [www.iwf.org.uk](http://www.iwf.org.uk)



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