

21/9/2018

Diary Dates

Friday 21st September—Interviews for Head Girl and Head Boy

Monday 24th September—Reception Phonics and Reading Parent's workshop 9.00—10.30

Friday 28th September 9am—Macmillan Coffee Morning Junior Hall

Wednesday 3rd October—Year 2 Aston Hall

Tuesday 9th October—Flu vaccine KS1

Friday 19th October—Year 5 class assembly

Monday 22nd October—Year 5 Black Country Museum

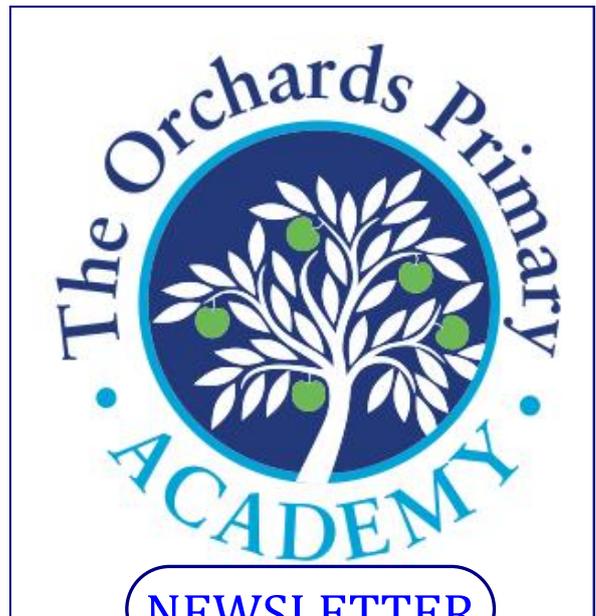
Friday 26th October—Children break up for half term

Monday 5th November—Teacher Day

Tuesday 6th November—Children return to school

Wednesday 7th November—Speech and Language workshop for Nursery parents (details to follow)

**September's Value:
Aspiration**



NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the latest edition of our Academy Newsletter.

Best Class Attendance



Team Point Winners



We are now two weeks in to the new year and it almost feels like we were never away! Everyone is working incredibly hard in school and it's really great to see this in every classroom I go in to.

We already have lots to celebrate with two of our children becoming Reading Ambassadors already this year. This is a huge achievement and we are very proud of Pavan and Chloe, and all our reading ambassadors. Hopefully, in the next few weeks we will see even more badges being awarded. Today we also held the interviews for our Head Girl and Head Boy for this year. This is a very important role for whoever is appointed—we will be announcing the successful applicants shortly!

We are starting to see some amazing pieces of homework coming in to school which I know take a huge amount of time and effort to complete at home. We really appreciate the support that the children are getting from people at home; it really does make such a difference to the progress that the children make if they are well supported by friends and family. Thank you!

Have a great weekend,
Mrs Carrier

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EYFS and KS1

At The Orchards, we are incredibly lucky to have an amazing Forest Classroom within our grounds and this week our Reception and Year 1 children have been exploring it! The children made insect habitats and dens but most one of the most fabulous things to witness was the children making new friends that they perhaps would not normally play with in their classrooms. Everyone had a wonderful time!



BBQ

Last Friday, the children enjoyed change in the usual lunch hour with a BBQ as we marked the end of the summer (it already seems a long time ago!). City Kitchen came in to school to cook the children a BBQ which was held in the Nursery garden.

Everyone loved eating alfresco and we were really lucky to have dry weather!



PARTIAL SCHOOL CLOSURE

Parents of children in the Early Years, thank you for your patience and understanding during the partial school closure on Thursday of this week. Closing a school for any pupils is never an easy decision to make and not one that we take lightly.

An issue we did encounter however, is that some of the emergency numbers that we have on file for families are incorrect. If you have changed your number recently, please ensure you inform the school office so that we can always make contact with you when necessary. Thank you again for your patience.