



WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS



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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to welcome our families into school this week for this term's parents' evenings. If you couldn't attend for any reason, do catch your child's class teacher and they'll get a slot booked in with you for after school one day.

We have also been busy marking the Hindu and Sikh festival of Diwali. Although Diwali fell during half-term this year (on Monday 24th October), this week has seen our children marking the festival in a number of ways:

- On Tuesday, the Hindu Education Service delivered assemblies to children across the school and held workshops with Year 4 covering a general introduction to Hinduism
- All classes received a book called 'The Best Diwali Ever' by Sonali Shah to share during story time this week
- RE lessons this week have included creating Diya's, lanterns and rangoli patterns as well as re-enacting/re-telling the story of Rama and Sita.

Finally, after school today (Friday 4th Nov) will see the PTA set up in the playground, playing music and selling samosas whilst a group of pupils treat us to a dance performance! It would be great to see as many of you there as possible to sample a samosa, enjoy the atmosphere and encourage our performers!

On Tuesday, we sent out a questionnaire to parents of pupils with SEND to help us review and evaluate our provision. Thank you if you have managed to complete the questionnaire, if you haven't yet, please do before Monday.

DATES FOR DIARIES

Tue 8 Nov	YR/Y1 Phonic Workshop 9am in George hall PTA KS2 Discos
Thu 10 Nov	YR/Y1 Phonic Workshop 3.30pm in George hall
Mon 14 Nov	Odd Sock Day - Anti-Bullying Week
Thu 17 Nov	Prospective Parent Open Morning Y6 Parents' SATS workshop
Fri 18 Nov	Children in Need
Thu 24 Nov	Prospective Parent Open Afternoon
Fri 25 Nov/Fri 2 & 9 Dec	Y5 BCMG Workshop
Mon 28 Nov	Non-Uniform in exchange for a tombola donation
Sat 3 Dec	PTA Christmas Fair
Mon 5 Dec	Yr 2 Edmond Hall Residential
Tue 6 Dec	Y4 Theatre Trip Y6 Greek Parthenon Workshop
Fri 9 Dec	KS1 Christmas play St Francis Church
Sat 10 Dec	Choir Concert at St Francis Church 3pm
Mon 12 Dec	YR Musical Showcase 9.15am
Fri 16 Dec	KS2 Carol Service 9.30am Christmas Parties

As you know, I will be leaving BVP for pastures new. It has now been confirmed that I will finish at Christmas before Mrs Cooper takes over in January'23. Mrs Cooper will be spending more time with us this term as we prepare for her to join the team and ensure a smooth transition for our children, families and staff.

Next week we are holding phonics workshops for parents of children in YR and Y1; it would be great to see you there if you can make it. Check out the dates list for more information on days and times.

Have a lovely weekend,

Jess Mattocks
Interim Head Teacher

Attendance and Punctuality

We have seen an increase in late arrivals as the weather has turned this week. Please make adjustments to your journey to allow for increased traffic on the roads in bad weather so that your child still arrives at school on time. Thank you

Anti-Bullying Week

We are launching Anti-Bullying Week on Monday 14th November by wearing odd socks to celebrate our differences. This year's theme is 'Reach Out'. Children will be taking part in a live lesson from BBC Teach and exploring various resources during the week. This will support their understanding of what bullying is, and how to reach out to those around them for support.

The Anti-Bullying Alliance have produced this resource for parents and carers which you may find useful: <https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/sites/default/files/uploads/attachments/Anti-Bullying%20Week%202022%20-%20Parent%20Pack.pdf>

[A TOOL FOR PARENTS AND CARERS](#)

Introduction (Page 2) All about bullying (Page 5) Conversation starters (Page 9) Reach Out (Page 9) Activities to do with your child during Anti-Bullying Week (Page 10) Sources of advice and support (Page 13) As parents and carers, we all want our children to be

anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk

Labelling Items

REMINDER: Please ensure that ALL your child's items are clearly labelled to ensure that lost property can be returned to the correct child. Please talk to your child about taking responsibility for their items, including school uniform, coats and containers used for tuck/snacks.

Music News

Welcome back to what will be a very busy half term for our musicians and singers in school. We are very excited to announce that all children will have the opportunity to take part in a Christmas musical event this year, should they wish to do so.

Planned performances are as follows:

Year 1 - 'The Nativity' - Friday 9th December, St Francis Church.

Each class will perform this nativity separately supported by a Year 2 class. Year 1 parents may attend their child's class performance which will take place at:

1C - 9.15 - 10.00am

1T - 10.30 - 11.15am

1G - 12.00 - 12.45pm

Reception – 'A Music Showcase' - Monday 12th December at 9.15am in George Hall.

Due to space restrictions, only one parent per child may attend.

KS2 Carol Service - Friday 16th December at 9.30am, St Francis Church.

Due to space restrictions, only one parent per child may attend.

School Choir – An email was sent out this week regarding choir members availability to perform at the Friends of Bournville Carillon Carol Concert on Saturday 10th December. This concert has proved hugely popular in the past. Please let us know whether your child can attend or not via the link in the email.

Please note: All home learning resources for Christmas concerts and Young Voices are now on the school website. Please encourage your choir member to learn the words from memory for our Christmas concerts.

Music Lessons in School - If your child wishes to stop learning an instrument in school, please email Mrs Vaughan by no later than **Friday 2nd December** as we have to give notice to amend our contract with the Music Service.

If your child is interested in starting an instrument or joining the choir, please email Mrs Vaughan music@bournvillevillageprimary.org.uk

BCMG Listen, Imagine and Compose Project - We were delighted to welcome back composer Chloe Knibbs, who worked with 5GW on the first of 3 composing workshops scheduled for this term. 5E and 5M will work with composer Angela Slater later this term. We can't wait to hear what Year 5 compose.

PTA Update

DIWALI - today 4th November. Celebrations, samosas and dancing in the playground after School. Card payments accepted.

SCHOOL DISCO – Tuesday 8th November

Year 2/3 from 15:30 – 17:00

Year 4/5/6 18:00 - 19:30

- Tickets are £2.50 and are on sale through ParentPay.
- Paid-for tuck shop will be available.
- If you can volunteer to help, please send an SMS to 07974331102.
- Send favourite songs to bournvillhsa@hotmail.co.uk by Friday 4th November.
- Year 2 and 3 children will be able to change into their own clothes before the disco.
- A chill out space will be provided.

CHRISTMAS CARDS – Deadline Friday 11th November.

- Please order using ParentPay
- If ordering tags you need to have added a minimum of one pack of Christmas cards.
- If you need to change your child's name on the card, please also submit the paper form.

NON-UNIFORM DAY in exchange for a tombola donation – Monday 28th Nov

Please bring in children's tombola prizes! All prizes will go towards the school tombola at the Christmas Fair.

Monday 28th November - Friday 2nd December - Drop in any unwanted/spare/too small Christmas jumpers, books, DVDs, toys, wellies, waterproofs – we are running a Bring and Buy Sale at the Christmas Fair for all these items.

Friday 2nd December - Keen baker? Like cooking? Donate any cakes/biscuits/baked goods to sell at the Christmas Fair. Bring them into school on Friday 2nd Dec or early Saturday 3rd Dec. Also donate unwanted books, DVDs, toys, they will all be used!

Friday 2nd December - Straight after school – stick around to offer any help you can to set-up the Christmas Fair. We will be in George Hall getting things ready!

Saturday 3rd December - Christmas Fair - either come along and/or volunteer to help make the most ambitious Christmas Fair a success! Doors 11:00 -15:00. Free entry.

Any questions email bournvillhsa@hotmail.co.uk or text 07974331102

Thanks, from David, Veronica, Sarah and the rest of the team

Early Help Support

As a school, we can support parents and families to find the right help. Please see the attached flyer or ask to speak to Miss Abrahams or Mrs Carter in confidence about how we can help.



Selly Oak Families supports children, young people and families across Billesley, Bournbrook, Selly Park, Bournville, Cotteridge, Brandwood, Kings Heath, Druids Heath, Monyhull, Highters Heath, Kings Norton North, Stirchley, Weoley & Selly Oak.

Our support is free and confidential.

We can work with education, health and community partners to support the whole family.

Ask your school, health visitor, children's centre, GP, community or faith centre to complete a Family Connect Form.

Phone | Text | WhatsApp us on: 07483 090434
Email: SellyOak.Families@greensquareaccord.co.uk
Follow us on social media: @SellyOakFam   



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GreenSquareAccord's Selly Oak Families team, as part of the Birmingham Children's Partnership.
For more information please search '**Birmingham Children's Partnership**' at www.birmingham.gov.uk



WE CAN SUPPORT YOU WITH...

 <p>Food & Energy</p>	 <p>Youth Support</p>	 <p>Domestic Abuse</p>	 <p>Emergency Funding</p>	 <p>Money & debt advice</p>
 <p>Data & IT</p>	 <p>Under 5's Support</p>	 <p>Uniforms & Clothes</p>	 <p>Parenting</p>	 <p>Special Needs</p>
 <p>Bereavement</p>	 <p>Housing</p>	 <p>Sexual Health</p>	 <p>Mental Health</p>	 <p>Play</p>

Phone | Text | WhatsApp us on: 07483 090434
Email: SellyOak.Families@greensquareaccord.co.uk



Energy advice and Early Help Support

Selly Oak Families and Groundwork's Green Doctor invite you to join them to discuss energy advice as we prepare for winter and learn how Early Help can support. This event is open to all. Please click on the link to register for your free tickets <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/456999045447>



Energy Advice Workshop



PREPARING FOR WINTER

OPEN TO ALL - JOIN VIA TEAMS

Hall Green Early Help will be joined by Groundwork's Green Doctor to discuss the impact of rising energy costs and what this could mean for families across Birmingham, how Early Help can support families with rising energy costs & practical advice on how to save money this winter.

"Groundwork's Green Doctors help UK residents stay warm, stay well, and save money on household bills."



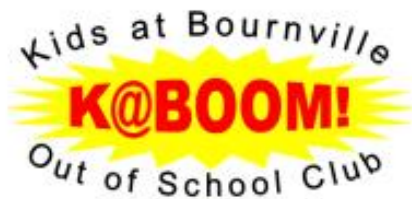
Wednesday 16th November

1:00 - 2:30pm

FREE TICKETS!

Register on **Eventbrite**





Play Worker Wanted

for K@Boom Out-of-School Club
(up to) 16 hours per week

+ the option for extra hours in the school holidays

Job description, Person Specification and
Application Form available on request.

Please email David Lucas, K@Boom Manager:

david.lucas@stfranciscentre.co.uk



Christmas ToyLink

Every Christmas Birmingham City Mission distributes gifts to thousands of children whose families struggle to make ends meet.

On Sunday 4th December at our 10.00 a.m. All Together and Toy Service we are collecting gifts for Birmingham City Mission.

Please help by buying a NEW (not second hand) gift for a child (age 0-15 years). This could be a toy, book, game or puzzle. Please do not wrap your gift. This is so that BCM can match the gift to the child. However, wrapping paper is always appreciated!

You can bring this to the service or drop it off at the Church Office that week (Tuesday-Friday 8.30 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.)

Thank you for your support.

**Canon Richard Wharton
Vicar of Bournville Parish Church**