



Lyndon Green Junior School



"Pupils love attending this nurturing and inclusive school."

Newsletter

11/09/2026

Messages from Mrs McKinley:

It has been wonderful to see how smart our children look in their school uniform and, more importantly, how ready they are to learn. The calm and purposeful atmosphere around school has been particularly impressive, and our new pupils have settled in really well.

Thank you to parents and carers for supporting our approach to having **no mobile phones on site**. Your support makes a real difference to the calm, focused environment we are creating for our children.

We are also delighted to share the achievements of last year's Year 6 pupils, who performed very well in their SATs. Our results were above the national figures in Writing, Maths and Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling. Reading was slightly below the national figure, and this remains an important focus within our School Development Plan.

There is a real sense of positivity across the school, and we are looking forward to a fun-packed and successful year ahead.

12R...

12R have settled beautifully into their new school year and are really enjoying their new learning environment. It has been wonderful to see them developing friendships, both old and new, and becoming increasingly confident in their surroundings.

Our topic this half term is **Toys**, and the children have been thoroughly enjoying exploring this theme while developing their communication and language skills. They have particularly enjoyed our new learning areas, including our Toy Museum role-play area, as well as exploring through sand and water play. In Geography, the children have been busy creating fantastic maps of our classroom. They carefully labelled the different areas and talked about what they could see, helping to develop their understanding of maps and the world around them. In Literacy, we have been developing our fine motor skills, with a particular focus on pencil control and developing a comfortable pencil grip. The children have enjoyed practising writing patterns and using their developing skills to draw and talk about pictures inspired by our focus text, *Dogger* by Shirley Hughes.

It has been a fantastic start to the year, and we are looking forward to seeing the children continue to grow, learn and flourish throughout the rest of the term.

Year 3... What a fantastic start to Year 3! The children have settled in beautifully and have already shown such enthusiasm and curiosity for their learning. This week, we have started our exciting Stone Age topic and we have explored how digital devices work in Computing. In Maths, we have been busy representing and partitioning numbers up to 100. In Writing, we have stepped into the world of *The Three Little Pigs*, developing our sentence writing and focusing on using capital letters and full stops correctly. We are incredibly proud of how well the children have settled and are looking forward to watching them grow, flourish and blossom throughout the year!

Years 4 ... We are all really proud of how well Year 4 have settled back into school life. We have been looking at the beautiful picture book *Journey* and the children have begun working towards writing their own narrative to accompany the illustrations. In science, the children have begun to investigate the digestive system and what happens to the food they eat, while in Geography we are thinking about where that food came from! 4C had a fantastic first swimming lesson while the other classes began to choreograph their own dance routines based on the movements of secret agents! Well done for a fantastic start to the year!

Year 5... Year 5 have been looking at Roman numerals and place value in maths. We have just started a new text - *Tuesday* about an invasion of flying frogs which has really captivated the children. We are working towards writing our own version of this picture book which we are really excited about. In art we have just started researching the artist Salvador Dali and his surrealistic approach to the work he did. Year 5 are really looking forward to making their very own version of 'the melting clock face'.

Year 6... Year 6 has made a fantastic start to the year! In English, we have started looking at our first text, *The Viewer*. This mysterious text has really engaged the children and they have particularly enjoyed exploring a real View Master in class. In Art, the children have thoroughly enjoyed learning about our new artist, Chuck Close. They have produced some fantastic artist study pages and have been working hard on their own self-portraits project, using mirrors to carefully observe and sketch their facial features. Year 6 have also made an excellent start in Maths, focusing on place value and developing their understanding of numbers up to 10,000,000. They have shown great enthusiasm and are already demonstrating a positive attitude towards their learning.

Important Dates: **amendments to dates/times will be communicated directly with parents.*

23 Sept - School Nurses in school Flu Vac's
 25 Sept - Year 3 Reading Workshop
 28 Sept - No Outsiders Workshop
 1 Oct - Year 6 SATs Workshop
 5-7 Oct - Year 6 Residential
 9 Oct - Wear yellow Mental Health Awareness
 19 & 20 Oct - Parents Evenings
 3 Nov - School Photographer
 16 Nov - Odd Socks Day - Anti bullying week
 18 Nov - Year 5 Safe-side Visit
 18 Nov - Year 4 Times-table workshop
 27 Nov - Year 3 Theatre Visit Sleeping Beauty
 10 Dec - 12R,3&4 - Christmas Dinner/Jumper Day
 11 Dec - 5&6 - Christmas Dinner /Jumper Day
 14-17 Dec - Santa's gift shop
 16 Dec - Christmas Service
 18 Dec - Christmas Class Parties
Online meetings are available with Mrs Corry SENCo each Monday afternoon, please call the office to book.

Dates for the Diary:

Infant and Junior Teacher Training Days

4th January 2027
 22nd February 2027
 21st July 2027

Uniform

Free preloved school uniforms - contact them at 07736 958249 or via email at ruberyswoop-shop@outlook.com.

Water bottles

Water bottles must be clear and appropriately sized, as pupils are able to refill throughout the school day. Only water bottles containing water will be permitted in classrooms.

Road Safety

Any parking related issues can be reported to the community policing team: sheldon@west-midlands.pnn.police.uk

Online safety Click the links for useful online/mobile safety advice [NSPCC Online Safety advice](#) [Is WhatsApp safe for my child?](#) This guide will help you support children to agree to digital boundaries, make smart choices, and building healthy online

The Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza, has launched **The Big Future**, a national survey giving children and young people the opportunity to share their views, experiences and aspirations directly with decision-makers. The survey explores the issues that matter most to children and young people, their concerns about growing up today and their hopes for the future. Findings will be shared with government to help inform future policy and decision-making affecting children and young people.

Click this [link](#) to complete the survey.

Class Attendance Table:

7 - 11 September



3K	95.6%
3M	92.5%
3R	97.6%
12R	92.0%
4C	95.9%
4G	98.3%
4J	98.6%
5H	96.7%
5L	99.3%
5U	94.1%
6E	98.0%
6P	92.8%
6S	96.0%

It is really important that your child attends school every day possible. Please report absences on 0121 675 2983, **by 8.45am.**

Click here for some useful information from the NHS on symptoms and treatments for common childhood illnesses.

Unauthorised leave taken in term time - **8 families have been issued with a penalty notice this term.**

PE Lessons ... Your child will be having PE twice a week. On the day of PE, the children must come to school already in their PE kit which is black jogging bottoms, white polo shirt, school jumper and trainers.

All long hair must be tied back for the lesson. We do not allow jewellery to be worn in school. If children have pierced ears they are allowed to wear stud earrings.

Mon	Year 5
Tues	Year 4
Wed	Year 4 & 6
Thurs	Year 3 & 5
Fri	Year 3 & 6

Forest School Lessons ... Please could children come to school in their PE kit (jogging bottoms not shorts) and bring their own waterproofs and boots for Forest School lessons.

11.9.26	3M
18.9.26	3K
25.9.26	3R
2.10.26	3M
9.10.26	3K
16.10.26	3R
23.10.26	3M