



All Different

All Equal

All Achieving

## Headteacher's Message

Mrs. Nanette Wragg



Dear Chilwell Families,

Today is the final day of our first half term together; it has been busy, and it has absolutely flown by! The children have settled incredibly well and have fully committed to their learning. As ever, it is a pleasure to move around school and see how industrious they are.

Already this term, we have welcomed visitors to school, taken part in trips and tournaments, and recruited our pupil leadership team, who are *champing at the bit* to make a positive difference to our pupils and school community.

Year 6 secondary school choices have now been made by the majority of families. If you are still considering your options, please note that the deadline of **31st October** is fast approaching. Similarly, applications for **Reception 2026** are now open at

<https://eadmissions.birmingham.gov.uk/prefsi.php>

Please do come and see how our Reception class works by **contacting** our office staff to arrange a tour with your child; all are welcome!

Key forthcoming dates are detailed in this newsletter. Please remember that on our first day back, Year 6 pupils will begin their daily swimming lessons, and we will hold a celebration awards assembly for selected Year 5 and Year 6 pupils. Please also keep an eye out for an advisory email.

Have a wonderful half-term break, and keep reading!

Mrs. N Wragg  
Headteacher  
M.Ed., NPQH, EYPS

### DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

| Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct                            | Year 7 Application Deadline                                                  |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov                             | All Children Back to School - 8.40 am Start                                  |
| Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov                             | Year 5 & Year 6 Parent Celebration Assembly - Selected Students              |
| Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov - Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov  | Year 6 Swimming Daily                                                        |
| Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov                             | Black Country Museum - Year 1                                                |
| Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov                             | Year 1 & Year 2 Parent Celebration Assembly - Selected Students              |
| Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov                           | Black Country Museum - Year 1                                                |
| Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov                           | Year 3 & Year 4 Parent Celebration Assembly - Selected Students              |
| Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov                             | Debating at King Edwards - Selected Students from Year 6                     |
| Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov                            | Remembrance Day - Parent Assembly for Cheetahs Parents at 2.50 pm            |
| Tues 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov                           | King Edwards Athletics Tournament - Selected Students from Year 1 and Year 2 |
| Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov                            | Anti Bullying Week- Parent Assembly for Panthers Parents at 2.50 pm          |
| Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> Nov                            | Basketball Tournament - Selected Students from Year 5 and Year 6             |
| Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov - Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec | Year 5 Swimming Daily                                                        |
| Tues 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov                           | KESSP Athletics - Selected students from Year 3 to Year 6                    |
| Tues 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov                           | Aston Villa Multi Sports - Selected Students from Year 5 and Year 6          |
| Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec                             | Inset Day - School Closed For All Children                                   |
| Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec                          | Year 4 Centrestage Recital at 2.30 pm                                        |
| Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec                            | Peter and The Wolf (Onsite) - REC/Year 1/Year 2/Year 3                       |
| Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec                            | Last day of Half Term - 1.30 pm Finish                                       |
| Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan                             | Inset Day - School Closed For All Children                                   |
| Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan                            | Inset Day - School Closed For All Children                                   |
| Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan                             | All Children Back to School - 8.40 am Start                                  |
| Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb                            | Last Day of Half Term - 3.30 pm Finish                                       |
| Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb                            | Children Back to School - 8.40 am Start                                      |
| Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> - Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> Mar     | Year 6 Residential - Condoval Hall                                           |





## Weekly Attendance

|         |        |          |           |           |          |          |
|---------|--------|----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|
| Tigers  | Lions  | Dolphins | Flamingos | Pandas    | Leopards | Penguins |
| 97%     | 99%    | 99%      | 88%       | 96%       | 97%      | 97%      |
| Parrots | Lemurs | Foxes    | Shrews    | Kangaroos | Cheetahs | Panthers |
| 98%     | 98%    | 95%      | 94%       | 99%       | 88%      | 96%      |

Thank you to all who are working hard to achieve our 97% target. We can only do this if we all work together.

Our grand total attendance this term is:  
96.50%

**Almost There**

### Attendance Competition!

Will you win the scooter this term?



### Top Class Attendance

1<sup>st</sup> Lions & Dolphins & Kangaroos - 99%

2<sup>nd</sup> Parrots & Lemurs - 98%

3<sup>rd</sup> Tigers & Leopards & Penguins - 97%

**CONGRATULATIONS**

## BOOK FAIR & PARENT WORKSHOP

You are invited to attend a free book fair with your child on the following dates:

Year 1: 16 Sept

Year 2: 23 Sept

Year 3: 30 Sept

Year 4: 7 Oct

Year 5: 14 Oct

Year 6: 21 Oct

Each child can choose two free books to take home, along with other reading goodies.

Please ensure your child attends registration as normal at 8:40am, before you join them for the book fair.

The book fair will be followed by an internet safety workshop (9.30am) for the selected year group on that day.





# Chilwell Chronicle

## DT

Year 2 have been learning about the **Great Fire of London** in Design and Technology.

They explored the features of **Tudor houses** and discovered how their design contributed to the spread of the fire in 1666. Using their **creativity and imagination**, the children designed and built their own Tudor-style houses and added bright, fiery **flames** to bring the scene to life. Well done, Year 2, for your fantastic effort and enthusiasm!



## Cooking Club

This half term in Cooking Club, our Year 1 and Year 2 students had a wonderful time creating a variety of delicious treats, including fruit skewers, sandwiches, and many other fun dishes. The children showed fantastic independence as they carefully chopped up fruits and vegetables, developing their cooking skills and confidence along the way.



## Black History Month

Over the past few weeks, our children have been taking part in a variety of enriching activities to celebrate Black History Month. At Breakfast Club, they explored creativity by using pasta to design different hairstyles, representing curly and textured hair. On Thursday, pupils enjoyed a special cultural lunch featuring delicious Jerk Chicken, giving them a taste of Caribbean cuisine. Across year groups, children have also been learning about the importance of Black History Month and why it's essential to honour and celebrate the contributions and achievements of Black individuals throughout history.



## Year 6 Blazer Ceremony

Last Friday, Year 6 were proudly presented with their new blazers during a special assembly. Together with our headteacher, the pupils reflected on one of our core school values 'Respect' and discussed what it means to wear the blazer with pride. They explored how the blazer represents a sense of belonging, responsibility, and respect for themselves, others, and the school community.







## READING DROP IN

### EVERY WEDNESDAY

FOR RECEPTION PARENTS TO  
READ TO THEIR CHILDREN



IN RECEPTION  
CLASSROOMS



## PRIMARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS 2026

### ARE OPEN!

It's important you apply for your child's reception class school place online before the **15 January 2026**.

Late applications are less likely to be offered a place at any of your preferred schools.



For more information, scan the QR code

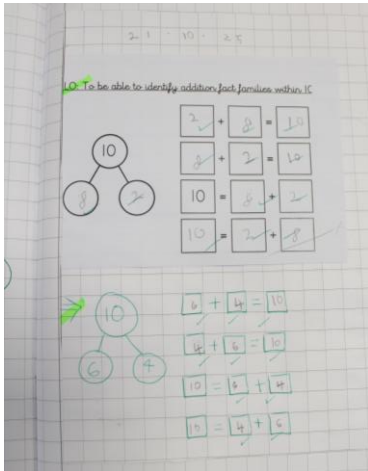


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## Student of the Week

Eliza from Dolphins did an excellent job identifying addition fact families within 10, showing great understanding of number relationships and patterns.



## CCA Planner

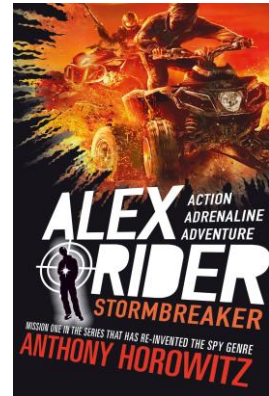
Year 4 have a read of Page 67 and see how many words you can read and spell.



## Book Review

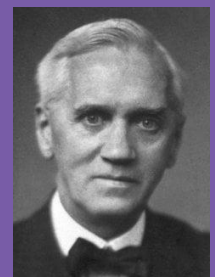
### Alex Rider: Stormbreaker By Anthony Horowitz

The story begins when Alex's uncle, Ian Rider, mysteriously dies. Alex soon discovers that his uncle wasn't just a banker—he was actually a spy! MI6 recruits Alex and sends him on a dangerous mission to investigate a man named Herod Sayle, who is giving away supercomputers called Stormbreakers to schools. But something doesn't feel right, and Alex has to use his wits, bravery, and a few cool spy gadgets to uncover a sinister plan that could harm millions of people.



## Scientist of the Week – Alexander Fleming

Best known for discovering the world's first broadly effective antibiotic substance.



## Phonics

Here is the sound of the week:

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## Value Of The Month: Respect





# CCA Photo Gallery





## Autumn 2 PE Dates

Please find below the PE days for school. Children will need to come into school wearing their PE kit, which is the following:

- PE Kit - Yellow t-shirt, black jogging bottoms/shorts/leggings and black trainers.

**DISCLAIMER:** Dates may occasionally change, and while we will try to notify families in advance, this may not always be possible.

### Reception - Every Monday

### Year 2

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November  
Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November  
Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December

### Year 4

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November  
Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November  
Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December

### Year 6

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November  
Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November  
Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December

### Year 1

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November  
Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December

### Year 3

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November  
Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November  
Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December  
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December

### Year 5 -

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November  
Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November  
Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December