Spring 2

March 2026

We have reached the end of another half term, thank you to everyone your support. It has again been a busy half term with lots crammed into the 5 weeks! Including some of our children go to Whitemoor lakes for a residential, World Book Day. visits to a Gurdwara for Year 3 pupils, composing music lessons in Year 4, Eid celebrations, numerous class assemblies and parent workshops, finishing the term with our Shining Star assemblies which are always one of my favourite parts of a half term. It is really important to me as Headteacher of Bordesley Green that we provide children with a wide range of experiences and activities.

This week we had a Phonics and Early Reading Review led by Pamela Matty from the Little Sutton English Hub. We are awaiting her report from the day where she observed practice in Early Years and Year 1, spoke to leaders and children. It was a really successful day which identified that the teaching of phonics and Early Reading is consistent and strong across these classes, children demonstrate good learning behaviours and make good progress. Well done to Mrs Jenkins for organising the day and for her strong leadership of the Early Years, phonics and early reading.

Thank you for your ongoing support. Have a good break everyone. Happy Easter if you are celebrating. See you all on **Tuesday 14th April**.

Mr K Holmes

Kingfisher Collaboration

This term we have continued to work with St Benedict, Somerville and Redhill Primary with a Science Quiz, Spelling Bee and peer reviews taking place. Next term we will be welcoming the leadership teams from the other three schools here to review standards of education and leadership in one of our school development areas. This is always a valuable experience for us providing peer to peer support and professional challenge.

School Meals

Due to increasing costs there will be an increase in the daily cost of School Meals. The cost will be increasing from Monday 13th April by 5p per day taking the weekly cost from £13.00 to £13.25. This remains below that charged by other schools and we aim to keep costs to parents as low as possible while ensuring the provision of a nutritious and balanced menu for your children.

Breakfast Club

From September we will be offering a free breakfast club for all pupils from Reception to Year 6 for half an hour before the end of the school day. We will be sharing more information about how this will work in the summer term.

Attendance

We are excited to share that, as part of our ongoing effort to support excellent attendance across the school, we will be launching an Attendance Challenge throughout the next half term. As always, your support makes a huge difference, and we truly appreciate it.

The first half of the summer term includes 28 school days, and every single one helps children grow—academically, socially, and emotionally. We are encouraging all pupils to do their best and aim for full attendance during this time.

As part of the BGPS "Be In to Win" challenge, pupils who attend every day in a given week will have their names entered into a prize draw for their year group. One winner from each year group will be chosen weekly to pick a small prize. At the end of the half term, we will also hold a special draw for all pupils who have been in school for the full 28 days. The winner of this final draw will be able to choose a more exciting prize, such as a scooter or an electronic toy.

While there will be plenty of fun prizes to look forward to, the BGPS "Be In to Win" challenge is about more than rewards. It's about helping children understand the value of being present, embracing the idea that effort leads to progress, and recognising that every day counts on the path to success.

Blossom Champions

Twenty Year 4 children have been trained as Blossom Champions to support the National Trust who have planted new trees, shrubs and flowers in the Ideal Park. They will visit regularly to litter-pick, prune, weed and water as well as train other children to help too. They had a brilliant time improving our local environment for everyone to enjoy.

A message from Heartlands Hospital Charity

To everyone at Bordesley Green Primary School,

I am writing to express our heartfelt thanks for your wonderful fundraising efforts during Ramadan in support of our Children's Appeal. Raising an incredible £221.92 is a fantastic achievement, and we are so grateful for your generosity and dedication.
Your donation will make a huge impact on the Children's Department and greatly enhance the patient experience for the young people in our care. Heartlands Hospital Charity and the Children's Ward are very grateful for all your fundraising efforts each year—your continued support truly makes a difference.

Saiqa Din

Shining Stars

Today we are celebrating more success with our Shining Star Award winners, children selected by their teachers for their achievements this half term, well done to the following children who have all done really well this half term:

Early Years and Key Stage 1-Zakariyya K, Sufyan A, Aisha K, Aisha A, Abubakar I, Malaika R, Mohammed A, Samaritanca R, Iacov M, Zainab F, Natasha S, Muhammad S, Tuba J, Humaira H, Aafia H, Ahmad A, Saba S, Aahid J, Sofia C, Qasim R, Jasim M and Mahum A.

Key Stage 2: Qasim G, Mariyah K, Ghedeon P, Aminah B, Ana Maria I, Abdurrahman H, Manha S, Raheel I, Muhammad F, Umaiza K, Sufiyaan M, Stefania I, Ayaan U, Ayesha U, Abdullah G, Layla H, Ayan-Mario I, Narmin S, Muhsanat A, Insiya A, Aqra M, Samson S, Shazaib A and Khadija A.

Appointments during the school day

We are having an increasing number of children collected early to at the end of each day for a wide range of reasons. Please can I ask that all appointments are made outside of the school day. The only accepted reason for an early collection is for a hospital appointment.

Dates for your diary

Monday 13th April	Staff Training Day-school closed to pupils
Tuesday 14th April	All pupils return to school

	Keyboard Concert @ 2.40pm
Monday 20th April	Y4 class visit to Green Lane Mosque 1.30pm Y3/4 West Midlands Police Talk
Tuesday 21st April	Y4 class visit to Green Lane Mosque
Thursday 23rd April	Y4 class visit to Green Lane Mosque Kingfisher Collaboration Event @ Redhill Primary School
Friday 24th April	3P Class Assembly
Tuesday 28th April	BGPS Peer Review
Friday 1st May	3K Class Assembly
Monday 4th May	Bank Holiday Monday-School CLosed
Tuesday 5th May	Y1 Wythall visit
Thursday 7th May	Y1 Wythall visit
Friday 8th May	4W Class Assembly
W.B 11th May	Key Stage 2 Statutory Assessment Week
Friday 15th May	1E Class Assembly
Thursday 21st May	CAT Coffee Morning
Friday 22nd May	School breaks up for May Half term week break.
Monday 1st June	Children return to school