Summer 1

21st May 2026

It has been a very busy half term and I believe everyone is ready for a break. Last week was Key Stage 2 SATS week, the Year 6 children and staff have all worked so hard to get ready for this and I would like to say thank you to parents for supporting with this. Well done to all the children who modelled our values of perseverance and courage throughout the week. Year 2 children have also been completing their SATS, they are all working so hard and doing their best. When we return after half term, it will be the Phonics Screening Check for Year 1 and some Year 2 children, and the Year 4 Multiplication Check too. We will be working hard until the end of the term to ensure we achieve as much success as possible.

We have had some fantastic class assemblies this half term, and it was fantastic to see so many parents at these and workshops in school, this is something we have worked hard on, to give parents a range of opportunities to come into school. Thank you to everyone who has come along to one of our events. Please check out the dates coming up next half term at the end of my newsletter.

Please can I ask for your support regarding litter, at the end of every school day I pick up litter that has been dropped, often from chocolates and sweets that have been given out for birthdays or brought from home. There are lots of bins on the playground or the wrappers could be taken home, thank you for your support with this, it does disappoint me to see our school grounds and the local area not being looked after.

Thank you to everyone for your ongoing support. I hope that you all have a good half term break. See you on **Monday 1st June.**

Mr K.Holmes
Headteacher

Blossom Champions

We continue to work with the National Trust to develop the Ideal Park just off the Bordesley Green road. With Miss Clayton our Year 4 children are visiting the park to look after the new plants and trees that have been planted, weed the area and pick up litter. The children love going across to the park to do this. We have also received new plants and trees for our pots and beds around the school playground.

New Nursery and Reception 2026/2027

A reminder that if you have children joining our Nursery or starting Reception in September you are invited to join us in school on 1st July-if you have any questions about this please speak to Mrs Jenkins.

Kingfisher Collaboration

This half term we had our Peer Review in school where leaders from the other Kingfisher Collaboration schools spent the day at Bordesley Green looking at maths, adaptive teaching and inclusion. These areas are focuses for our School Development Plan for this year. They visited lessons, completed learning walks, spoke to children and staff. The day went well with lots of positive feedback from the team. Some of the strengths identified included:

- The morning routines are strong and set a clear signal that all pupils are welcome, seen and valued on entry.
- Inclusive intentions were evident, with SEND pupils generally well-integrated within mixed-ability groups and not stigmatised.
- Maths leaders articulated the theory and intent of mastery clearly, supported by significant CPD and external partnerships. They were confident in talking through the progress made over the past year.
- Consistent lesson pace was observed across year groups, and most pupils were secure in lesson objectives by the end.
- Behaviour for learning was generally calm and orderly across the school.
- Pupils spoke positively about the school, their teachers and their enjoyment of learning.
- Higher levels of engagement seen in the majority of lessons, which was because of well-planned environment and resources.

We will continue to work hard to improve standards and outcomes in maths through our work with the Central Maths Hub and to meet the needs of all pupils in all subjects through our inclusive practice.

Attendance

This half term, we have had a strong focus on attendance through our **'Be In to Win'** competition. Each week, children who achieved 100% attendance were entered into a raffle for the chance to win prizes, and as we come to the end of the half term, those who have attended every day will be entered into a final draw to win a larger prize.
We are delighted to share that 320 children have achieved this fantastic milestone over the half term—an amazing accomplishment that we are incredibly proud of.
I would like to take this opportunity to say a sincere thank you to all of our children and their families for your ongoing support in ensuring regular attendance. It truly makes a difference.
Attendance will continue to be a key priority for us for the remainder of this academic year and beyond. We have high expectations and are committed to ensuring that every child is in school as often as possible, so they can thrive both academically and personally.

School Uniform and PE Kit

A reminder to all families, please ensure that your children are wearing the correct school uniform. Fingers crossed the weather will improve and summer will arrive, a green checked summer dress or black/dark grey shorts can be worn. Children **must not** wear open toe sandals, even when it is warm, black school shoes or black trainers must be worn. Furthermore, children must not wear crocs or flip flops for health and safety reasons.

We are having lots of children wearing a range of things for PE this year, when your child has PE they must wear a plain white t-shirt, black bottoms or shorts, a school jumper if it is cold and trainers or pumps. Hoodies, tops with logos or motifs, and football shirts must not be worn.

Please ensure all items have your children's names in, it does help us to match lost items to the rightful owner! If you have any questions regarding school uniform, please speak to a member of the leadership team.

We are always happy to receive preloved uniform that your children have grown out of, that we can donate to other Bordesley Green families. If you have any, please wash it then send it into school in a carrier bag, thank you.

Dates for your diary

Monday 1st June	School reopens
Wednesday 3rd June	5A class visit to the Eco Park Y1 class visit to the Eco Park
Thursday 4th June	5W class visit to the Eco Park Y1 class visit to the Eco Park
Friday 5th June	5J class visit to the Eco Park Y1 class visit to the Eco Park 2A Class Assembly
Wednesday 10th June	3K class visit to Lunt Fort 4B class visit to the Eco Park 2A class visit to the Eco Park
Thursday 11th June	3D class visit to Lunt Fort
Friday 12th June	Yellow Class Assembly Balance Bike Training-Reception 4W class visit to the Eco Park
Wednesday 17th June	Reception Eye Tests
Thursday 18th June	Y5 to Royal Birmingham Conservatoire Voices Unite Concert
Friday 19th June	1D Class Assembly Reception to Ash End Farm
Monday 22nd June	Year 6 Police Workshop
Friday 26th June	Blue Class Assembly
Wednesday 1st July	Transition Day New Nursery and Reception Parents Meetings

Thursday 2nd July	4H class visit to the Eco Park 2AH class visit to the Eco Park
Friday 3rd July	Red Class Assembly 2M class visit to the Eco Park
Wednesday 8th July	Parents Evening
Thursday 9th July	Y6 to Safari Park
Friday 10th July	5A Class Assembly
Tuesday 14th July	Keyboard Concert
Thursday 16th July	Leavers Assembly
Friday 17th July	Shining Star Assemblies Break up for the Summer Holiday