



# Allens Croft Primary School Newsletter

## Thursday 14th February 2019



### What a wonderful term it has been! **Teacher Training Day tomorrow- School Closed to Children**

Following the recent Ofsted inspection of our school, you should have received a copy of the report yesterday. Our school has maintained the rating of 'good' and has received very positive feedback! I hope you are as delighted as we are with the outcome. A big thank you to all parents/carers, pupils and staff.

Over the last couple of weeks, the children have been very busy. All children took part in the World Safer Internet Day. This promoted the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people. Year 3 performed an assembly about Chinese New Year and Year 1 performed their 'Brazil' Topic Assembly. Both year groups performed really well and included a range of performing arts skills. Well done! A selection of Year 5 and Year 6 children took part in a basketball competition against other local schools and should be proud of their teamwork and passion. One of our teams got through to the final and the other team won the whole competition. Some of the Year 5 children took part in a cross-country competition after school yesterday and they really enjoyed the event and had great determination.

### Scholastic Book Fair is coming to Allens Croft

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school from **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March to Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March** and will be open from **3.25pm**. Come along and see what great books we have for sale. The school earns free books for every book bought. The children can take part in a competition and the winners will choose a new book from the fair.

### Reception 'Stay and Play' Sessions

Parents/Carers are invited to join their children in class on the following dates:

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February at 2pm**

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm**

Please also remember that parent/carers of Reception and Year 1 children are invited to a weekly 'Come and Read' session with their child every **Friday from 8.50am to 9.00am**

### Parent/Carer Consultation Event

Parent/Carer Consultation Meetings will take place throughout **week beginning Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March.**

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March ~ Reception**

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March ~ Year 2 and Year 6**

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March ~ Year 4**

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March ~ Year 1 and Year 5**

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March ~ Year 3**

**Turtles and Terrapins ~ To be arranged with class teacher**

You will have the opportunity to discuss your child's progress and look through their Learning Journal, Cross-Curricular, English and Maths books. You need to book your appointment, using our online system at [www.allcroft.bham.sch.uk](http://www.allcroft.bham.sch.uk). If you are unable to access the internet or log on correctly, the school office will be able to help you.

### Lunchtime Supervisor Advert - Required as soon as possible- Term time only ~ 5.15 hours per week

The school has a vacancy for a lunchtime supervisor to work 5.15 hours per week between 12.00pm and 1.30pm each day. If you would like to apply, please visit the school office and ask for an application form or download a pack from [www.allcroft.bham.sch.uk](http://www.allcroft.bham.sch.uk). **Closing Date: 27/02/2019 @ 12.00 pm**

### Friends of Allens Croft Events and News

Friends of Allens Croft School Disco - The disco will take place on **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April.**

Reception and Key Stage 1 Disco: **2.15pm to 3.15pm**

Key Stage 2 Disco: **3.30pm to 4.30pm**

**More information to follow.**

**Friends of Allens Croft meet every Friday at 2pm- please come along if you can.**

The group are looking for each class to have a representative on behalf of Friends of Allens Croft. There is no expectation that you have to attend the meetings, however, your role would be to act as a class link and share any ideas or positive suggestions that parents/carers may have.

If you are interested, please email [friendsallenscroft@gmail.com](mailto:friendsallenscroft@gmail.com).

### Attendance & Punctuality - Overall Attendance So Far This Year is 95.9%

**School begins at 8.50am.** Please ensure that your child arrives at school on time to prevent disruption to your child's own learning and that of others. It is also very important that children establish good routines and habits in preparation for the rest of their lives. Punctuality is a life skill that they need to develop whilst they are young. Thank you for your continued support in this matter.

### Dates for the diary

<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Children return to school</b>
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 6 Educational Visit to Symphony Hall
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 4 Spirit of Bollywood Workshops to begin
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> February (after-school)	Year 5 and Year 6 Athletics Competition
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> February at 2pm	Reception Stay and Play
Week beginning Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent/Carer Consultations
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2 Educational Visit to Warwick Castle
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Arts Council visit to Hippodrome
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book and Maths Day- more information to follow
Week beginning Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March to Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March from 3.25pm	Scholastic Book Fair Sale Reception Entrance
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Y5&Y6 Visit to Camp Hill Girls School Performance
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 Royal Ballet Workshops
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Allens Croft Dynamics Factor
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March at 2pm	Reception Stay and Play
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March (after-school)	Y5&Y6 Basketball Competition
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March at 11.30am	Year 3 Parents/Carers Lunch
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day
Week beginning Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Shakespeare Week
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Global Recycling Day
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Reception Visit to Pizza Hut
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	World Poetry and World Syndrome Day
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March (after-school)	Y5 and Y6 Tag Rugby Competition
Week beginning Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	English Inspire Workshops
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Epilepsy Awareness Day
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3 Able Writers Day
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March at 11.30	Year 5 Lunch with parents/carers

Be Smart!  
Be Safe!



E-safety fact:  
Always  
remember to be  
SMART online

**Rights Respecting School**  
"Rights" are things every child should have or be able to do. All children have the same rights. These rights are listed in the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

**Article 36**



You have the right to protection from any kind of exploitation (being taken advantage of).  
<https://www.unicef.org/rightsite/files/uncrcchildfriendlylanguage.pdf> to read your child's rights.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS - TERM 2			
Club	Day	Time	Collect from
MULTI-SKILLS	MONDAY	3:30 - 4:30	MAIN HALL
FILM	MONDAY	3:30 - 4:30	MAIN ENTRANCE
BASKETBALL	TUESDAY	3:30 - 4:30	MAIN HALL
BEAT BANG BOOM	TUESDAY	3:30 - 4:30	TURTLES CLASSROOM
BOOK CLUB	TUESDAY	3:30 - 4:30	MAIN ENTRANCE
DRAMA	WEDNESDAY	3:30 - 4:30	MAIN HALL
KS1 DANCE	THURSDAY	3:30 - 4:30	SMALL HALL
KS2 DANCE	THURSDAY	3:30 - 4:30	MAIN HALL
LEGO CLUB	THURSDAY	3:30 - 4:30	MAIN ENTRANCE
GYMNASTICS	FRIDAY	3:30 - 4:30	MAIN HALL

### Term Dates School Year 2018 - 2019

#### Spring Term 2019

Term Starts: Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January to Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February - Teacher Training Day- School Closed to children

Half Term: Monday 18 February 2018 to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February

Term Starts: Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April

#### Summer Term 2019

Term Starts: Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May - School Closed - May Bank Holiday

Half Term: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May

Term Starts: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June- Teacher Training Day- School Closed to children

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July - Teacher Training Day- School Closed to children

\* 1 additional Teacher Training Day needs to be allocated

At Allens Croft we: **Aspire** for all to succeed; **Inspire** each other to succeed; **Achieve** success

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## **MUSIC MAZE**

### **Free Creative Music Workshops**

**Music Maze** is a series of free creative music-making workshops for 8-11 year olds. The workshops are a fun opportunity for young people to create their own music with other likeminded individuals and BCMG musicians.

Everyone is welcome, whether they play a musical instrument or not. Young people can complete their **Arts Award Explore** by attending 3 of our workshops.

Music Maze workshops take place from **10am – 2.30pm** on Sundays about once a month throughout the year at **CBSO Centre, Berkley Street, B1 2LF**.

Dates of our upcoming 2019 workshops:

**Sunday 10 February 2019**

**Sunday 24 March 2019**

**Sunday 19 May 2019**

**Sunday 30 June 2019**

All places are free but must be booked in advance. Visit [www.bcmg.org.uk](http://www.bcmg.org.uk) for further details and booking.

For any other information contact Jenny Wood on 0121 616 6525 or via email [jenny@bcmg.org.uk](mailto:jenny@bcmg.org.uk)

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## **BIRMINGHAM HIPPODROME NEWS AND EVENTS**

Last week, we had a great turn out of parents across the week to watch the Neverland Learning Adventures. As a result of this, we had a chat with some parents who had never been to the Hippodrome before but were keen to come back to the theatre. To try and capture this engagement we've created an offer for parent and child to come and see 'Same Same...but Different' at the Hippodrome on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> or Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February** during half term (of course assuming a different year group to those who will see the show in school).

So there is now a £5 offer (for adult and child)- £2.50 each to see the show for HEN families if they would like to take it up.

Info about the show here - <https://www.birminghamhippodrome.com/calendar/same-same-but-different/>

[Same Same But Different - Birmingham Hippodrome](#)

[www.birminghamhippodrome.com](http://www.birminghamhippodrome.com)

Same Same...But Different is a new family show, mixing Kathak and contemporary dance, live music and physical storytelling, to create a playful and colourful world ...

Booking link here and they just need to enter code HEN5 at the checkout to get the deal:

<https://bookings.birminghamhippodrome.com/single/PSDetail.aspx?psn=32843&promo=HEN5>

There is 30 seats per performance for all 4 performances on this day so it will be first come, first served.