

Monday 10th September

Dear Parent/carers,

Welcome Back

We hope that you have all had a good summer and enjoyed the break. It has been a great start to the new school year and it has been lovely to see all our children happy, smiling and ready to learn again. The children have settled well into their new classes and have already had a busy and productive week. Allens Croft operates an 'Open Door' policy, so if there is anything you want to discuss with us, just pop in or telephone and we will get someone to contact you as soon as possible. On the back of this letter, you will find our term dates and calendar dates for the next few weeks. The staffing structure is also attached to this letter, we welcome Miss Odom, Miss Smith, Mrs Sumner and Miss Akhtar to our class teams. Our Before School and After School Manager, previously known as Mrs Howes, will be now addressed as Mrs Wright.

For calendar updates and other useful information, please go to our website address at www.allcroft.bham.sch.uk.

School Uniform

All the children look incredibly smart in their new school uniforms and we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continuing support with this. We have noticed that a few children are wearing trainers or unsuitable shoes - please ensure your child wears school shoes/trainers that are completely black. **PE kits** are required and consist of a white t-shirt and blue shorts or blue, black, grey leggings or tracksuit bottoms. Outdoor Learning Kit consists of wellies, a long-sleeved top, full length bottoms and a waterproof jacket. Please go to the office if you would like a copy of our uniform policy.

Preloved School Uniform Donate & Sale Event ~ Friday 21st September at 3.25pm

Friends of Allens Croft are organising a 'donate and/or buy preloved school uniform' event. This will take place after school on **Friday 21st September by the Piggy Lane gate**. If you have school uniform in your house that no longer fits, you can bring it along and pass it onto the Friends of Allens Team, who will put it in the preloved sale. All used uniform needs to be clean. If you are in need of school uniform, come and have a look. All donations will go back to the school to fund resources for the children.

School Dinners

If you would like your child to have school dinners, please make a payment of £2.00 per day via www.schoolmoney.co.uk. Please ensure you pay this weekly. If your child is in Reception and Key Stage 1, they are entitled to free school meals. If your child is in Key Stage 2 and you are entitled to free-school meals, and you have not yet informed the school, then please contact the office.

Star of the Week Assembly

Star of the Week assembly will take place every Monday at 9.10am. If your child has been selected as Star of the Week, you will receive a text message to invite you to the assembly. Please ensure that the school office has up to date contact details.

Attendance

Our whole school target this year is 96% or above. To achieve this target, children need to come to school every day. If your child is ill, please contact the school office to let us know. Good punctuality is also key to your child's learning and development. School starts at 8.50am and classroom doors close at 9.00am. If your child arrives at school later than 9.05am, they will need to report to the school office to be registered as late. If your child's attendance was under 90% last year, you will be invited to a meeting with Mrs Weaver to discuss how we can support you to improve this.

Holidays in Term Time

We have had a few requests from parents for holidays during term time. It is Government policy that, unless under extreme circumstances, schools are not permitted to authorise time off in term time. The procedure for any requests for school absence is to go to the school office where you will be given a form to be filled in. This then has to go to the headteacher, who will consider each case individually and respond back to you.

Rights Respecting School

The children will be taught about one of their rights per fortnight and we will continue to share them with parents/carers through the fortnightly newsletter. [Article 28- You have the right to a good quality education. You should be encouraged to go to school to the highest level you can.](#)

Kind regards,

Paula Weaver
Headteacher

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Dates for the next few weeks

Thursday 13th September- Roald Dahl Celebration Day

Friday 14th September- Ukulele begins for Y4 and Electives

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For further information please refer to the other side of this letter or to the Friends of Allens Croft Facebook Page.

Week beginning Monday 21st September- Extra-Curricular Clubs to start (Further information to follow)

Macmillan 'Meet the Teachers' Coffee Afternoon ~ Friday 28th September

Please come along to our 'Meet the Teachers' Open Coffee Afternoon. You will be able to meet your child's teacher and see how they have settled into their new class. For a small donation, enjoy a piece of cake and a drink in aid of Macmillan. Macmillan Coffee Afternoon will take place in the hall from 2.00pm and you visit your child's class from 2.15pm to 3.25pm. Look forward to seeing you all there.

School Year 2018 – 2019

Autumn Term 2018

(1:1)

(Teacher Training Day: Monday 3rd September & Tuesday 4th September)

Term Starts: Wednesday 5th September to Friday 26th October

Half Term: Monday 29th October to Friday 2nd November

(1:2)

Term Starts: Monday 5th November to Friday 21st December

Spring Term 2019

(2:1)

Term Starts: Monday 7th January to Friday 15th February

Half Term: Monday 18 February 2018 to Friday 22nd February

(2:2)

Term Starts: Monday 25th February to Friday 12th April

Summer Term 2019

(3:1)

Term Starts: Monday 29th April to Friday 24th May

Half Term: Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May

(3:2)

Term Starts: Monday 3rd June to Monday 22nd July

*** 3 additional Teacher Training Day needs to be allocated**

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2018-2019 Term 1 (* subject to change)

Headteacher		Mrs P Weaver (Designated Safeguarding Lead)	
Deputy Headteacher		Mrs Timms (Designated Safeguarding Lead)	
Assistant Headteacher		Miss Hadley (Designated Safeguarding Lead)	
Y6	6W	Mr Wheildon	Miss Akhtar Term 1 & 3 Trainee Teacher: Term 2 Trainee Teacher:
	6B	Miss Butler	
Y5	5H	Miss Holloway	Miss Priddle (Trainee Teacher) Mr Marfo
	5O	Miss Odom	
Y4	4OP	Mrs Onions Miss Palmer	Mrs Markie Mrs Brockett Mrs Whitfield
Y3	3B	Miss Beastall	Mr Coney Miss Humphries Mrs Shaikh
	3S	Miss Smith	
Y2	2C	Mr Carman	Mrs Jackson Mrs Rainbow Term 1 & 3 Trainee Teacher:
	2G	Miss Gordon	
Y1	1W	Mr Wallace	Mrs Sumner Miss Hall Mrs Dunne Miss Pitts
	1C	Mrs Coombes	
Rec	RT	Miss Tustian	Mrs Crehan Mrs Charlery Miss Gill Mrs Jennings
	RF	Miss Fletcher	
Terrapins		Miss Spittle	Mrs Heap Mrs Cooper Miss Bradley Mrs Timms Miss Kaur
Turtles		Mrs Easthope	
Performing Arts/ PPA		Mr Jones	
Physical Education/ PPA		Mr Ismail	
PPA		Mrs Crehan	
Jelly Beans Before & After School Club		Mrs Wright (Manager)	Miss Humphries / Miss Smith
Office Staff		Mrs O'Neill (Manager)	Mrs Sprigg (Finance Officer) Mrs Kelly Mrs Steele Miss Miles (GDPR)
Inclusion Team		Mrs Hardy (Manager/DSL)	Miss Shannahan (DSL)

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