Allens Croft Primary School Newsletter  
Friday 20th September 2019

First Newsletter of this Academic Year
What a wonderful start to the school year! The children look really smart in their school uniform and are all working really hard and behaving well. We would like to thank parents/carers and children for the continued support as we start a new academic year. Our new reception children have also settled in really well to their new school - well done and a big welcome to their parents/carers as well! We hope you enjoy your time at Allens Croft. Visit the website on www.allcroft.bham.sch.uk for updates and information about our school.

Reception Open Days for September Intake 2020 ~ 60 Places Available
If you have a child starting school in September 2020, please come and visit our wonderful school.

**Wednesday 16th October ~ 9.15am**
**Wednesday 23rd October ~ 2.00pm**
**Wednesday 6th November ~ 9.15am**
**Wednesday 20th November ~ 5.00pm.**

If you require a different time, please contact the office on 0121 675 2611. You need to apply **before Wednesday 15th January**. For more information about the admission process or to apply, please visit: https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/20119/school_admissions/1786/apply_for_reception_primary_school

Secondary School 2020 Admissions Information
If your child is in Year 6, you need to apply online for their secondary school choices and this needs to be completed by **Thursday 31st October**. Most schools have open days and evenings throughout September so that you can look round. You could also contact the school to arrange a visit to hear about what they offer and how they can support your child. You will find more information about the open days at https://mysed.com/birmingham-school-open-days/. Please visit https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/20119/school_admissions/-1778/apply_for_secondary_school_year_7_place to find out more about the process and to complete the application.

Individual Photos
On **Thursday 26th September**, the photographer will be in school to take photos of each child individually and with their siblings who attend school. This will take place throughout the school day. If you would also like your child to have a photograph taken with their pre-school siblings, please come to the hall entrance at 8.30am.

Macmillan ‘Meet the Teachers’ Coffee Afternoon ~ Friday 27th September ~ 2.00pm to 3.30pm
Please come along to our ‘Meet the Teachers’ Open Coffee Afternoon. You will be able to meet your child’s teacher, see how they have settled into their new class and have a look at their new learning journals. 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. Once you have enjoyed your cake and coffee, you are invited to visit your child’s class. Look forward to seeing you all there.

Thursday 3rd October ~ Our Popular American Themed Dinner Day is Back!
Does your child usually have a packed lunch? If so, would your child like to try our delicious hot dogs (pork or halal) or burgers (beef or halal lamb) or Veggie Burger? For pudding, your child can choose an ice-cream, yoghurt or fruit. If your child is in Reception, Y1 or Y2, you DO NOT have to pay for your child’s meals. If your child is in either in Year 3, 4, 5 or 6 and they are not entitled to free school meals, you can pay £2 on the day via your School Money online account. Enjoy!

Friends of Allens Croft
Our Friends of Allens Croft Coffee Afternoon will continue to take place at school every Friday at 2pm. We hope to see you there! We are planning the Christmas Fair, along with lots of ideas on the agenda.

Just a few reminders... Thank you in advance.
- Children should have a drinks bottle with them every day. They are allowed to have squash or water. We have water stations around the school where children can refill their bottles.
- The bike shed continues to be situated inside the school gates, near the park entrance. Please ensure that children do not ride their scooters/ bikes within the school premises.
- Please ensure your child has a P.E kit in school that consists of shorts, a t-shirt, tracksuit bottoms, pumps and/or trainers. All items of clothing should have a name label on.
- Any lost property is brought to the school office on a daily basis and a text will be sent out on each Friday to parents/carers with a description of what items have not be collected.
- We are a Nut Aware school and we have children who have severe nut allergies so please ensure you do not provide your child with any nut products. This includes Nutella hazelnut spread.

Parking Around School & Driving Up Piggy Lane ~ Please Help Keep Our Children Safe!
It has been brought to our attention that some cars are parked in very dangerous places around school and some parents/carers are not driving safely whilst going up and down Piggy Lane. Please can you note that it is illegal to park on zig-zag lines and within ten feet of a junction. Also, please ensure you do not block any pathways, as parents/carers are struggling to get past safely, especially if they use pushchairs, wheelchairs or mobility scooters. We would like to thank all of those parents/carers who continue to either walk to school, park and walk, or park their cars sensibly.
Be Smart! Be Safe!

E-safety fact-
Treat people online like you would in the playground.

Autumn Term 2020
Friday 25th October - Children break up from school
Monday 4th November - Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 5th November - Children return to school
Friday 20th December at - Children break up from school

Spring Term 2020
Monday 6th January - Children return to school
Friday 14th February - Children break up from school
Monday 24th February - Children return to school
Friday 3rd April - Children break up from school

Summer Term 2020
Monday 20th April - Children return to school
Friday 22nd April - Children break up from school
Monday 1st May - Children return to school
Friday 17th July - Children break up from school
Term Ends: Monday 20th July - Teacher Training Day
*2 additional Teacher Training Days to be allocated

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 3
All adults should do what is best for you. When adults make decisions, they should think about how their decisions will affect children.

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EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS - TERM 1

Please ensure your child has a water bottle and appropriate kit (if required) every week.

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

Enjoyment – the curriculum is planned and teaching delivered to promote fun and enjoyment

Challenge – appropriate challenge is provided to all

Security – the school is a safe environment where utmost priority is given to safeguarding and ensuring that everyone ‘feels’ safe

Unity – we work together and support each other creating the ‘Allens Croft Family’

Respect – we respect and value the differences we have

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