

# PAGET NEWS

22<sup>ND</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021



**#Team Paget**  
**#Stronger Together**

## Concerned About A Child's Safety?

Contact Birmingham CASS on 0121 303 1888. If you feel a child is at risk of immediate, significant harm then call 999 OR contact a DSL in school: *Miss Nussey, Mrs. Thomas, Miss Spiers, Mrs. Ali-Gobern, Mrs. Ewbank or Mr. Merriman.*

## Child Line

Children if you need to talk to anyone please ring or email [www.childline.co.uk](http://www.childline.co.uk)

**No problem**



## How to Contact Us...

Email:  
[enquiry@paget.bham.sch.uk](mailto:enquiry@paget.bham.sch.uk)

Telephone:  
0121 464 3902 or  
07493838732

Twitter: @PagetPrimary



# HEAD TEACHER'S WELCOME

I hope that you are all remaining safe and well and that your children are enjoying the start of the new academic year in their new classes. I am immensely proud of all the children as they have all settled back into school well. The children that are new in Reception and Nursery have all made a fantastic start and seem to be enjoying all that school life has to offer - long may this continue!

As a Birmingham City Council school, we are now an Operation Encompass school. You should have received a letter explaining this fully last week, but to recap, Operation Encompass is a communication tool between the police and school, notifying us of any child that lives in a household where a domestic abuse incident has taken place so that we can offer immediate support to children who experience this. A copy of this letter will also be available on the school website.

A quick reminder that Breakfast Club and after school club are now back up and running, if you would like information about either of these please ask the school office.

Yet again, I have received complaints from local residents with regards to how parents are parking, including blocking driveways and pavements. I have been informed by one of the residents, that Tyburn NHT have advised them to take photographs of the cars where they are parked illegally and then they will be issued with a fixed penalty charge. I hope it does not get to this and that those parents who show disregard for others change their ways and park legally and safely. Remember if you park on grass verges or pavements you are blocking the way for pedestrians to walk meaning that some children have to walk on the road, thus increasing the chances of potential accidents. Surely as parents this is not what you want.

I would like to say congratulations to the Year Six children that have been chosen as Head Boy, Head Girl and House Captain for this year. It was a really difficult choice as there were many children that could have been selected.

Well done to the following:

Head Boy: Mitchell

Head Girl: Nyeama

House Captains:

Venus: Vinnie, Daria and Jack

Saturn: Poppy, Aden and Skye

Mercury: Mollie-May, Elijah and Adam

Jupiter: Giovanni, Jay and Shy'annah

I would like to make you all aware that this will be the last fortnightly newsletter in this format. From Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October I will be sending out weekly newsletters that will come out to you by email every Friday. Please ensure that the office have your up-to-date email addresses so that you can remain up to date with all things Paget.

Take care and stay safe everyone

Vicky Nussey

# #GET PAGET READING



This newsletter's recommended reads all come from the Book Trust's list of 100 best children's books

## Recommended Reads:

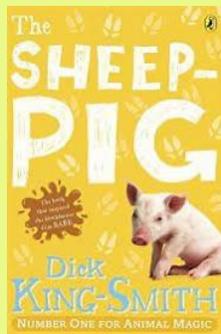
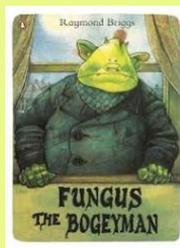
**Nur & Rec:** Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak

**Y1-2:** Fungus the Bogeyman by Raymond Briggs

**Y3-4:** The Sheep-Pig by Dick King-Smith

**Y5-6:** Coming to England by Floella Benjamin

Let Miss Nussey know your thoughts about the books if you read them and don't forget to put them on Twitter with #getpagetreading



Please could we remind parents to read with their child at home at least three times per week, although daily would be even better.

Please remember to bring book bags and reading books in to school each day.

# Information and Reminders

## MACMILLAN CAKE SALE

On Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September the PTFA will be selling cakes after school to raise money for Macmillan. For a £1 donation, the children can attend school in non-uniform day on Friday 24<sup>th</sup>; we are asking everyone to wear something green to show support for this worthwhile cause that affects so many of us.

## SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES SEPTEMBER 2022

If your child is due to start secondary school in September then you need to be thinking about which school you want for your child now. The preferred method of application is an online form that you can access on the BCC website [www.birmingham.gov.uk](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk)

The closing date for applications is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021. Parents will be notified of the school their child has been offered on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022.

If you need any support with this process, please speak with a member of the Year Six team.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Please ensure that if you change address, telephone number or email that you let the school office know. It is important we have the right contact details for all of you in case of emergencies .

## WEDDING BELLS

Congratulations to Miss Bailey who recently got married. Her new married name is Mrs Grainger and I am sure you will join me in wishing her all the very best for the future.



## LOST PROPERTY

We already have lots of school jumpers and cardigans in lost property, many without names. Please, please name children's uniform. There will be a much greater chance of getting it back to the right person should it be misplaced

## P.E. KIT

A reminder that all children should wear correct kit for P.E.

This is a white T-shirt and black shorts, black leggings, or black tracksuit bottoms.

Children can wear this to school on the days they have P.E. They do not have to bring in clothes to change in to.

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

## SPOTLIGHT ON VALUES:

At Paget, we teach the children that in order to get respect, they need to give respect. We have been asking the questions: What do we get if we don't give respect? And, more importantly, what do we get if we do show respect? The more we respect places, things and people, the more respect we get in return, and the more we get to enjoy life. We believe it is important for our children to understand that respect is something which we are all always working on. Even if we are angry, even if we don't agree, we don't have to agree on everything to respect and be kind to each other.

Remember:

- You can have respect for someone because you admire something about them.
- You can have respect for someone's feelings, their wishes or their rights.
- You can have respect for things other than humans or things that aren't living



## ONLINE SAFETY

### Online safety support NSPCC in partnership with O2

Looking for simple, bitesize info and advice on the latest apps, games and social media sites your kids are using? **Net Aware is here to help.**

Get expert advice on the top apps, sites and games children are using, how to set up parental controls, latest news and more.

**O<sub>2</sub> | NSPCC**

Let's keep kids safe online

# Ways a Parent Can Help with **READING**

1

**Let your child see you reading!**

Have magazines and books in your home.

2

Help your child find appropriate word & reading games on the computer.

Keep a dictionary on hand. Help your child look up new words they read or hear.

3

**Read mysteries with your child and try to figure out the clues together.**

4

Movie version coming out?

Read the book together first, then talk about which you each liked better.

5

Set aside a time and place for your child to read -

like a comfy chair and a reading light in a quiet place

6

**Visit your public library regularly.**

Look for and read together the books that were your favorites when you were a kid.

7

Encourage your child to write -

letters, thank you notes, emails, journals, lists, stories about their own trips, events, and daily life

8

Ask your child questions about what he or she is reading, such as:

- What is the story about?
- Who are the important characters in the story?
- Where does the story take place?
- Why do you think the character made that choice?
- Why did that happen?
- How did you know about...?
- Would you recommend this book to your friends?

9

Ask your child to draw a comic strip about what happens in the story.

Provide word searches, crossword and other word games and puzzles, or help your child make his/her own



**Share with your child about what you're reading... and encourage your child to do the same**

**COMPETITION TIME!**



**OUR NEW RESIDENT DJ NEEDS A NAME AND  
GRAPHICS  
FOR OUR SCHOOL DISCO'S!  
SEND IN YOUR ARTWORK WITH DJ NAME  
TO MISS SPIERS BY MONDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER.  
THE WINNING DESIGN AND NAME WILL FEATURE  
ON OUR DISCO BANNER.  
GOOD LUCK!**

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# Dates for Your Diary

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September – Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October – PTFA Halloween Disco \*

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October – Parents Evening

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October – children break up for half term

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Teacher Training Day – school closed to children

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November – Term begins – children return to school

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November – Photographer in school – school photos \*

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December – Break up for Christmas

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January – Teacher Day – school closed to children

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January – Children return to school

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February – Break Up for half term

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February – Term begins

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April – Break up for Easter

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April – Term begins

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May – Break up for half term

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June – Term begins

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Children break up for the summer

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Teacher Day -school closed to children

*This section will be regularly updated once new dates are known and confirmed. \* indicates updated since last newsletter*

# ALL THINGS COVID

## ***Frequently Asked Questions***

As of August 16th 2021 - National Guidance States:

*People who have been fully vaccinated are no longer having to self-isolate if they are a contact of a positive case; those under 18 years of age also no longer need to self-isolate if they are a contact of a positive case.*

We recognise that the changes to guidance can cause confusion and for some it may be a concern. We hope that the FAQs below help you move forwards with confidence and make the right choices to help slow the spread of COVID-19.

***If my child has symptoms, can they come to school?***

*No. If your child has; a temperature, a new-continuous cough or a loss taste or smell, they should remain at home. The child with symptoms should get a PCR test (NOT AN LFT). If positive, they will need to self-isolate for a full 10 days. If negative and they are well, they can then return to school.*

***If someone else in the household has symptoms, can my child come to school?***

*Yes, your child can continue to attend school if they have no symptoms. The person with symptoms should get a test and should self-isolate while they wait for the result.*

***If someone in the household tests positive, can my child come to school?***

*Yes, NHS Track and Trace advise that all household members should get a PCR test. Providing the test is negative and your child does not develop symptoms they should continue to attend school.*

*If someone in the household has tested positive for Covid-19 then gov.uk advises the following:*

- *limiting close contact with other people outside your household, especially in enclosed spaces*
- *wearing a face covering in enclosed spaces and where you are unable to maintain social distancing*
- *limiting contact with anyone who is clinically extremely vulnerable*
- *taking part in twice weekly [LFD testing](#)*

***If my child is identified as a close contact from the community, can they come to school?***

*Yes, providing they do not have symptoms. Your child should get a PCR test. Children can continue to attend school whilst awaiting the results of the PCR test.*

***If someone in the class has symptoms, what happens?***

*The child will be sent home and must get a PCR test and self-isolate while waiting for the results. The other children in the class will continue to attend school.*

***If someone in the class tests positive, what happens?***

*That child will self-isolate for 10 days and the family should receive a call from NHS test and trace who will support the family in identifying close contacts. All other children in the class can continue to attend school.*

***Does my child need to take regular lateral flow tests?***

*No, this is not a requirement for Primary schools, however, if your families would like to do this then that is fine. We would encourage all adults to take regular (twice a week) lateral flow device tests to help identify early onset of Covid.*

***What happens if lots of children at school tests positive?***

*If this happens, we will involve our local health protection team and they will advise us if any additional action is required, such as implementing elements of our outbreak management plan. This may include wider testing or targeted closures of certain groups or classes.*

***What happens if the staff member tests positive?***

*The staff member will self-isolate for 10 days; If the teacher is well enough, they may be able to teach remotely into the classroom. If the teacher is unwell, they will not be teaching remotely and will be resting and recovering.*

***If my child is self-isolating, will they get work?***

*Yes. If your child is self-isolating please continue to access our Remote Learning via Teams.*

***Will children be in bubbles?***

*No, the DfE have confirmed that bubbles are no longer required and that schools should return to a 'normal' working environment for pupils. Bubbles may have to be introduced as per our outbreak management plan if there are high numbers of cases in the area.*

***Will school let us know if there is a positive case?***

*School will be following it's outbreak management plan, whilst families won't be informed about specific cases they will be informed if the school is taking additional measures due to rising cases in the area.*

***If a parent has been a close contact and is not required to self-isolate (double vaccinated) can they still bring children to school?***

*Yes.*

***If a parent has been a close contact and is required to self-isolate (not double vaccinated) does my child need to attend school?***

*Yes, where children should attend school at all times whilst well. If parent's are required to self-isolate please work with family and friends and support ensuring your child does not miss out on valuable learning.*

*In all circumstances - please keep school updated about any symptoms, close contacts, or positive cases.*

*If you have any other questions, please get in touch.*