

PAGET NEWS

8TH SEPTEMBER 2023



**#Team Paget
#Stronger Together**

TO BE THE BEST THAT WE CAN BE

How to Contact Us...



Email:

enquiry@paget.bham.sch.uk



Telephone:

0121 464 3902 or 07493838732



Twitter: @PagetPrimary

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: Mrs. Nussey, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Spiers, Mrs. Ewbank or Mr. Merriman.

Child Line

**Children if you need to talk
to anyone, please email
www.childline.co.uk**

Or ring

0800 1111

HEAD TEACHER'S WELCOME

A warm welcome back to all of our Paget families, and I hope that you all had a wonderful summer break - although I am sure that you were all really pleased when the 6th of September finally arrived!

I would also like to extend a warm welcome to those families that are new to Paget, and I hope that you and your children have had a smooth start to the year and are settling in well. I look forward to meeting you all over the coming weeks.

In staffing news, Mrs Eebank has been appointed as Assistant Head Teacher. She will continue to carry out the SENCO role as part of this role. Miss Johnston has also been appointed as Early Years Leader. Over the summer holidays, Mrs Harrison (Nursery TA) resigned her post and so will no longer be working at Paget. Miss Smith has now joined our team and will be working alongside Mrs Twells with our Nursery intake this year.

Finally, from me, a quick reminder that in line with DFE guidelines the start and end times of the school day have changed. In a morning the gates still open at 8.45 but will now close at 8.55. Children arriving after this time will be late. Children in Nursery, Reception, Years One and Two finish at 3.25 (nursery is 11.30 on a Wednesday) and Years Three to Six now finish at 3.30.

I hope that you all have a wonderful term and I look forwards to catching up with you all at varying points in time over the coming year.

Take care

Vicky Nussey

LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

RECEPTION: Helen, Cody, Lorena & Kyro

YEAR ONE: Zeeshan, Rozina, Maryam & Charlotte

YEAR TWO: Raagavi, Ama, Charlotte & Damarion

YEAR THREE: Logan, Truly, Muhammad K & Suzie

YEAR FOUR: Deen, Hawa, Alfie B & Thea

YEAR FIVE: Ameera, Logan S, Riah & Harvey

YEAR SIX: Troy, Edison, Tyler & Courtney

PANTHERS & PUMAS: Ethan & Jaxson

HOUSEPOINTS

House Points will be collected once House Captains have been appointed and trained.

BEST ATTENDANCE

This will be announced next week.

Focus on Reading: EY & KS1

Welcome back! Another year ahead and we are excited to be starting or continuing our reading journey with your children. It has been great to have the children back in the classroom and to hear all about their holidays.

We love books and our aim as a school is for your child to develop a love of reading. We have had such a strong start to the term and here are a few photos of your children already enjoying books. Top Tip: If they are shy at reading to you, give them a reading buddy (soft toy) to read to or let them read to your pet.



RWI & English

We will be continuing to use the very successful Read Write Inc. (RWI) Scheme to teach your children and we will be starting our RWI group sessions on Thursday 7th September for children in Years 1 & 2 as well as supporting some children from Years 3 & 4. Look out for the leaflet which will tell you who your child will be taught by and which colour book band they will be on. These will be sent home with your child this week. For those children in Year 2 who have finished or nearly finished the scheme they will be starting the Literacy Curriculum.

In Early Years we do it slightly different to start with and your child will be taught within the class environment for the first few weeks and then we will look to group them after this time.

Focus on Reading: EY & KS1 (Continued)

Parental Support

We are a Team at Paget, and we cannot do this without your support. It is important that you`;

- a) Read with your child at least 3 x times per week and sign their reading record
- b) Ensure your child has their book back and Reading Books in school daily.

I have also enclosed the attached as it is a great prompt of other ways you can support your child.

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

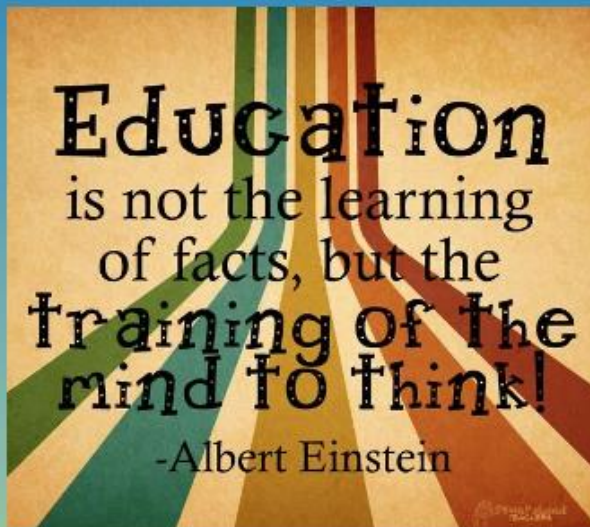
Thank you for your continued support and if you have any queries, please drop myself an email at g.waring@paget.bham.sch.uk or speak to your class teacher on the playground.

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Mrs Waring
KS1 RWI and English Leader.

SPOTLIGHT ON CURRICULUM: AN OVERVIEW

Dear Parents and Carers,



During the last academic year, as curriculum lead, I have been thrilled to see the development in our whole school curriculum. The new exciting curriculum that your children are engaging in, should ignite and develop their curiosity and thinking about all subjects and the world in which they live.

All children have embraced the new curriculum with enthusiasm, and we have seen remarkable progress in their skills since we introduced this. There are many displays round the school that show the outstanding work created across all areas of the curriculum. We are proud of the progress our children have made, and we are committed to providing them with the tools and resources they need to succeed in their education this year, building on the progress from last year.

We are passionate about developing the whole child, as we strongly believe that our curriculum should extend beyond merely an academic focus. It has been designed to nurture personal character, including resilience, confidence and independence, as well as allowing children to become creative, critical thinkers.

Every child is recognised as a unique individual and we are confident that our curriculum is accessible and flexible to include all. It is designed with progressive and engaging lessons across all areas, with careful consideration of how learning opportunities can be moulded and tailored for groups or individual children.

Thank you for your continued support of our school and your child's learning.

Keep your eyes open on twitter for lessons across all subjects and areas of the curriculum: developing your child to be the best they can be.

Miss H. Robinson

INFORMATION AND REMINDERS

EXTRA-CURRICULAR SCHOOL CLUBS

Clubs will begin after October half term; letters will be sent out to you detailing which clubs are available this year in the coming weeks.

NAMING CLOTHING

Please can parents ensure that children's jumpers, coats etc are labelled with your child's name in them. This makes it so much easier to return lost property to the rightful owner.

TIMES OF THE SCHOOL DAY

Remember in September the times of the school day changed.

Gates open at 8.45 and will close for registration at 8.55 - children arriving after this time will be late.

Nursery, Reception, Years One and Two will end the day at 3.25 p.m. (11.30 on a Wednesday for Nursery)

Years Three to Six will end the day at 3.30 p.m.

CONTACT DETAILS

If you have changed your contact details over the summer holiday, email, telephone or home address please let the school office know so that if and when we need to get hold of you, we can do successfully.

WATER BOTTLES

Please make sure children only have water in their water bottles, not squash or fizzy drinks.
Many thanks.

SECONDARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS SEPTEMBER 2024

Parents of children in Year 6 should have received a letter via email from BCC by now explaining the arrangements for applying for a secondary school place for September 2024. If you have not received this, please request a further copy from the school office.

The secondary prospectus with clear links for schools and parents along with the online form, will be made available from 1 September 2023 here: www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Deadline for applications is 31st October 2023. If you need any help and support with any aspect of this process, please do not hesitate to ask a member of school staff.

SPOTLIGHT ON SAFEGUARDING

At Paget Primary School Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is everyone's responsibility. Everyone who comes into contact with children and their families has a role to play in safeguarding children.

In line with government guidance and legislation as laid out in 'Keeping Children Safe in Education 2023' and 'Working Together to Safeguard Children' staff members are advised to maintain an attitude of 'it could happen here'. When concerned about the welfare of a child, staff members should always act in the best interest of the child.

We have a number of policies and procedures in place that contribute to this safeguarding commitment, including our safeguarding policy which is available on our school website.

Paget Safeguarding Team:

At Paget, we have a safeguarding team who oversee and co-ordinate all aspects of the school's work to ensure that children are kept safe. They regularly attend training to ensure that skills and knowledge are up to date, and that are able then to effectively train school staff and support children and families.

Designated Safeguarding Leads, who are there for any concerns to be reported to.

They are:

Mrs Nussey – Head Teacher

Mrs Spiers – Pastoral Manager

Mrs Thomas – Deputy Head Teacher

Mrs Ewbank – Assistant Head Teacher and SENCO

Mr Merriman – Family Support Worker

There is also a designated safeguarding governor – Mrs Etheridge.

Sharing Concerns

Sometimes we may need to ask questions, share information and work in partnership with other agencies, where there are concerns about a child's welfare. We will ensure that our concerns are discussed with parents/carers first, unless we have reason to believe that this would put the child at more risk of harm. All families need support from time to time, please feel free to speak to a DSL if you need any support - no matter how small or big you feel it is.

What to do if you have concerns

If you are concerned that a child is at risk of harm, then please talk to one of the DSLs in school. Alternatively, you can contact Birmingham Children's Trust on 0121 303 1888. You can also seek support from the NSPCC



SPOTLIGHT ON VALUES

For those families that are new to Team Paget, our School Motto is 'To Be the Best that we Can Be' and we believe that part of achieving this is the importance of values.

A Value is a principle that guides our thinking and our behaviour.

At Paget, every individual is valued for who they are and what they contribute to the school. Values are intended to support the personal, social and spiritual development of every pupil throughout the school.

The whole staff team, parents and pupils are involved in promoting values and recognising where others are 'living the values'.

In addition to the British Values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, and mutual respect and tolerance for those of different faiths and beliefs, we have seven core values that we teach our children through all that we do. All of these values are important within the school, our community and indeed throughout all of our lives.

Team Paget's Core Values are:

Respect
Honesty
Self-Belief
Passion
Determination
Teamwork
Responsibility

Each of these values will be explored further in future school newsletters.



FOREST SCHOOL ENHANCEMENTS

Paget Primary School would like to thank, HS2, BBV, SIGS, Ben and Mark for all their hard work helping improve our Forest School area. The manager Steve from BBV has really pushed this forward knowing the huge benefits this will have for our children at Paget.

They have kindly donated a shelter, fire pit, tools, hose pipes, stationery, bird boxes and built a mud kitchen! This is going to be amazing for our children and I'm so proud to be a part of this journey. We can't thank you enough. Have a look at the photos and the transformation! #teampaget #strongertogether.

Mrs Holmes - Forest School Lead.





Food On
Our Doorstep

Birmingham FOOD Club

Food On Our Doorstep

Good-quality food at a low price

Family Action has launched FOOD (Food On Our Doorstep) Clubs in Birmingham to provide families with good-quality food at a low cost, while also reducing food waste. It costs just £1 a year for your family to become a member.

Once you've joined, you can purchase a bag of tasty food items every week worth approx. £15 for just £3.50!

To become a member you must live or work within 15 minutes of the club.

Where and when

- St Chad's Church Community Centre
Stoneyhurst Road, Erdington,
B24 8HA

Time:

- Wednesday 10am-11:30am

To find out more call:

07816 408755

or

Email: birminghamfoodclubs@family-action.org.uk

Facebook @birminghamfoodclubs



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UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD



SOLIHULL APPROACH

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WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

*EXCITED, NERVOUS, ANXIOUS?
NOT SURE HOW THEY'RE FEELING?*

EMOTIONAL HEALTH CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE
TO CHILDREN'S PROSPECTS IN SCHOOL AND BEYOND

In Birmingham, we believe in supporting children's emotional health development, and that's why we've invested in online courses in understanding your child for parents.

By understanding how your child's brain develops and responds emotionally, you can better support their needs as they navigate the big milestones in school.



- Learn to better read and understand behaviour
- Help them to communicate how they feel
- Gain psychologist-informed ideas to support your child



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AND ENTER THE CODE COMMUNITY
FOR FREE ACCESS TO THE ONLINE COURSES

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Autumn Term 2023

Half Term: Monday 30 October 2023 to Friday 3 November 2023
Term Ends: Friday 22 December 2023

Spring Term 2024

- Term Starts: Monday 8 January 2024
- Half Term: Monday 12 February 2024 to Friday 16 February 2024
- Term Ends: Friday 22 March 2024

Summer Term 2024

- Term Starts: Monday 8 April 2024
- Half Term: Monday 27 May 2024 to Friday 31 May 2024
- Term Ends: Friday 19 July 2024

(Please note there are teacher days for next academic year yet to be agreed with ATLP - these will be shared when finalised)

This section will be regularly updated once new dates are known and confirmed.

**Indicates newly added or changed items*

