

# PAGET NEWS



20TH DECEMBER 2024



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# **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**

Here we are, we have finally made it to the end of a very long and busy term. We have a lot to look back on and be proud of. Nursery and Reception have completed their first time and all of the children have settled into school life fantastically well. As always, we have had a huge amount of sporting success, winning the Birmingham Dodgeball championships, girls and boys football wins as well as success at Boccia competitions to name just a few.

This year's Christmas Productions have been fantastic, and it was wonderful to see so many family members coming along to support the children and staff. It was also good to see many of you join in the singing at the end of the different performances.

We have also had Christmas workshops for Nursery, Reception and our resource base pupils. I hope all of you that came to this enjoyed it as much as the children and staff did.

As we look ahead to the new year, there will be lots of exciting things to look forward to including the roll out of the children's IPads as part of the ATLP Learning Futures project; Year 5 will take part in Bikeability; Year Four will visit Tamworth castle; Sports Hall Athletics competition and much more.

All that is left for me to wish those who celebrate, a Merry Christmas and to all a Happy and prosperous new year.



## **LEARNERS OF THE WEEK**

**NURSERY: Mohammed & Clarissa** 

RECEPTION: Hayrah, Adrian & all of Reception

YEAR ONE: Vivaan, Torvi, Cealan & Clayton

YEAR TWO: Leah, Amy-Rose, Godfrey & Saoirse

YEAR THREE: Riley, Ronnie, Hendrix & Lola

YEAR FOUR: All of 4C & 4W

YEAR FIVE: Neave, Alexis, Lola & Hawa

YEAR SIX: Kian, Evlynn, Kishana & Gracie

PANTHERS & PUMAS: Kairo & Jahmarley

# **HOUSEPOINTS**

THIS WEEK'S TOTALS:

THIS WEEK'S WINNING CLASS:

KS1: Panthers

KS2: 4W

THIS WEEK'S WINNING

HOUSE:

KS1: Venus

KS2: Venus



BEST ATTENDANCE Class: 3C with 99.33%

# INFORMATION AND REMINDERS

# TERM BEGINS

Children return to school on Tuesday 7th January 2025.



# **CONTACT DETAILS**

Do we have your correct telephone number, address and email? If you have changed yours recently, please ensure you have given updated details to the office so that we can contact you, especially in case of emergencies. Thank you.

# **RECEPTION ADMISSIONS SEPTEMBER 2025**

Applications for Reception places for next September are now open. The deadline for applications is 15th January 2025. All applications must be submitted online at <a href="https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions">www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions</a>

All eligible pupils must apply online. If you wish for your child to have a Paget Reception place, even if they already attend Nursery here, you must complete an online application.

If you need any help with this process, please ask a member of Paget staff and we will find the best person to support you with this.

# Spotlight on Reading for Pleasure:



Exciting News from Paget Primary School: Our Library is a Hit!

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are thrilled to report that our newly improved school library is proving to be a huge success with the children at Paget Primary! It's been wonderful to see pupils across all year groups eagerly engaging with the wide variety of books available to them. Whether it's exploring new adventures, learning about different topics, or simply enjoying the new design and furnishings, our library has quickly become a favourite place for reading and discovery.

Each year group has had the opportunity to visit the library, select books that capture their interest, and take them home to enjoy. It's exciting to see how much enthusiasm the children have for reading, and we are proud to support their growth in literacy and imagination.

Year 5 tweeted this week and here is the picture if anyone missed it. More photos of the children will be shared in future newsletters.



# A Gentle Reminder About Book Bags

As a reminder, please ensure that your child has a book bag. Book bags are essential for protecting the books they borrow, helping to keep them in great condition for others to enjoy. We kindly ask that all pupils bring a book bag to school every day.

# Spotlight on Reading for Pleasure (Continued)

#### A Big Thank You for Your Generosity

We would also like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all the parents and carers who have generously donated books to our library. Your contributions are greatly appreciated and have helped to further enrich our collection. If you would like to donate more books, we are always happy to accept them, as long as they are in very good condition and suitable for children. Your support plays a key role in making our library even better!

Could you also look at home to see if you still have any Paget books. They will either have a barcode or a Paget stamp. It is amazing what we find when we decide to tidy or move things around especially at this time of year. If you do find any books belonging to school, simply hand them to your child's teacher.

Thank you for your continued support in fostering a love of reading and learning at Paget Primary. We look forward to watching our library continue to thrive, thanks to your involvement and enthusiasm!

Warm regards and a very Merry Christmas.



Mrs Connaughton - Library lead.

## SPOTLIGHT ON CURRICULUM: DT



## SPOTLIGHT ON SAFEGUARDING: ONLINE SAFETY

With Christmas coming up and children likely to have more time to be online during the holidays and get electronic toys that allow them to access the internet I have included some tips on how to keep your children safe on-line.

#### For Parents (6-9-year-olds) - SMART Videos

Childnet have produced a series of six short videos based on the SMART rules which parents can use to discuss a range of online safety issues with their children.

#### Online behaviour - Goldilocks Book

This link will take you to a version of the story of Goldilocks. It's a twist on the original fairy tale with a social media slant to help educate children about the potential consequences of being unkind, getting carried away with selfies and oversharing images. It's a good way to introduce young children to online safety and how we should all behave when using the internet.

#### Social media for under 13's

Children are always keen to get online and 'chat' on social media. This is not something that is going to change so as parents you need to try to steer your children towards appropriate sites as many children under 13 are already on apps that are for over 13's (and over 16's!). The 'maturity switch' doesn't automatically switch on at 13, children need to be gently introduced to the world of social media in order to understand, manage and mitigate the risk.

Have a wonderful Christmas and thank you for all your continued support with online safety ⊕⊕⊕

#### Mr Harris



## SCHOOL COUNCIL UPDATE: SCHOOL DINNERS

We have been discussing the school meals at our School Council meetings and have met with a member of the catering team from ATLP.

The children said that they have found the new system of ordering the food at home and collecting the food in the dinner hall very different to our old system. However, they have now found that the new system is becoming speedier and they like many of the new dishes.

We have looked at the new menus. These will be shared with you. The children were very excited about the main courses and the puddings.

We have a number of children on our School Council who have packed lunches. Most of these children said that they would be speaking to their parents about changing to school dinners.

If your child is currently packed lunches, we would encourage you to have a look at the new menus. You may not have realised that you do not need to book a whole week of dinners. You can select the days that your child likes. Therefore, you can have a mixture of dinners and packed lunches.

Just a reminder, if your child is off school as they are ill, you can cancel the food order the night before or before 8.45am on that day, and you will not be charged.

We do hope that you and your child will explore the new menus and hopefully try them out next term.

Mrs Thomas



# **COMMUNITY ACTIVITY**



#### CHRISTMAS FOR EVERYONE

#### 22nd Dec | 10.30am - 12.00pm

Get dressed up in your best nativity get-up or Christmas jumper and enjoy the nativity story in live action. Doors open at 10.15am with hospitality on arrival.

#### MIDNIGHT COMMUNION

### 24th Dec | 11.30pm - 12.15am

A very special traditional gathering, as we welcome in Christmas Day together. We will celebrate with communion and carols.

#### CHRISTMAS DAY

#### 25th Dec | 10.30am - 11.30am

You and all your family are warmly invited to come and celebrate Christmas Day!

lighthouseonline.church/christmas





Learn to ride your bike in a safe and secure environment with a Qualified cycling instructor At Paget School

Courses are run on Sunday mornings between 10.00 till 12.00 For more information and to book a place contact garethbikeability@gmail.com







# Run by Pype Hayes Community Cycling Club in association Cycling UK







# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

## 2024-2025

Friday 20th December - Last day of term - break up for Christmas

Monday 6th January - Term begins but school closed to children - teacher training day
Tuesday 7th January - Children return to school
Friday 14th February - Last day of term - break up for half term
Monday 24th February - Term begins but school closed to children - teacher training day
Tuesday 25th February - Children return to school
Friday 11th April - Last day of term - break up for Easter
Monday 28th April - Term begins but school closed to children - teacher training day
Tuesday 29th April - Children return to school
W/C Monday 12th May - Year Six Sats Week
Friday 23rd May - Last day of term - break up for half term
Monday 2nd June - Term begins - children return to school
Friday 4th July - school closed to children - teacher training day
Friday 18th July - last day of term - break up for the Summer
Monday 21st July - School closed to children - Teacher training Day

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

\*Indicates newly added or changed items



