

PAGET NEWS

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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

Hi everyone, I hope that you have all had a good weekend that you have enjoyed some slightly better weather as we start to see the days getting longer again.

It's been another busy week at Paget as we celebrated World Book Day, took part in a teaching and learning review about the use of iPads in school, Year Six finding out their secondary schools as well as a whole host of children taking part in the Panathlon (read more about this later in the newsletter).

In staffing news, temporarily from next week, Mrs Spiers will be supporting another school across ATLP two days per week and so for a short time will not be around at Paget on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

There is never a week goes by where I am not proud of the children at Paget, but this week I felt prouder than usual as I received emails from staff at other schools that attended the Panathlon event speaking very highly of our children at Paget. Below is just one example of an email I received.

"Dear Paget School,

I just wanted to send a thank you on behalf of everyone at St Bernadette's for a brilliant Panathlon competition. The event was so well-organised, and the atmosphere was fantastic – a real credit to your school. A special shout-out to your young leaders, who were outstanding. Their enthusiasm, encouragement, and professionalism made the competition enjoyable for all the children "

Have a good weekend everyone,

Vicky Nussey

LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

NURSERY: Kaylum & Hannah

RECEPTION: Arslan, Olivia S, Leo & Elodie

YEAR ONE: Simona, Millie, Abderrahmen & Noor

YEAR TWO: Saoirse, Precious, Simplicie & Sarah H

YEAR THREE: Abdul, Cyrus, Kyle & Anam

YEAR FOUR: Jasper, Harry, Suzie & David

YEAR FIVE: Max, Kaleem, Esmail & Fatima

YEAR SIX: Marcelo, Zaiviar, Blossom & Sianna

PANTHERS & PUMAS: Leon & Ibrahim A

HOUSEPOINTS

THIS WEEK'S TOTALS:

THIS WEEK'S WINNING CLASS:

KS1: Reception

KS2: 4W

THIS WEEK'S WINNING

HOUSE:

KS1: Venus

KS2: Mercury



BEST ATTENDANCE
Class: 2D with 98.37%

INFORMATION AND REMINDERS

YEAR ONE PARENT WORKSHOP - PHONICS

In June Year One children across the country will undertake a Phonics Screening Check. To find out more, and know what you can do to support your children be the best that they can be in this area of learning we will run a parent session on **Monday 17th March** straight after school (3.30 ish). We would love to see you all there.

Mrs Nussey, Miss Phillips, Miss Dark & Mrs. Evans.

Thursday 27th March
3.30- 4.30



Letters have already been sent home.
Limited spaces, so be quick.



To enter click on the link below and complete the form.

[Win a home library bundle for your family! - World Book Day](#)

Spotlight on Reading: KS2

Hello everyone. Firstly, I'd like to thank you all for a wonderful World Book Day. It was great to see so many of the children dressed up ready for a bedtime story and different characters. The theme for this year's World Book Day was 'Read Your Way'. Children have been invited to show us how they like to read. Photos of children reading in imaginative places are to be handed into your child's class teacher or emailed to myself at v.nevitt@paget.bham.sch.uk. You can also share on our 'X' page (formally twitter) using **#getpagetreading**

Miss V.Nevitt - KS2 English Lead

Free World Book Day Author Event

The National Literacy Trust are holding a free World Book Day Author event on Saturday 8th March at Birmingham Central Library. Why not book and go along. All children who attend will receive a free book. Details are listed below.

Join The National Literacy Trust for a special event with local author Kate Rafiq as they celebrate World Book Day and the transformative power of reading. This event is perfect for children aged 5-8 and their families and will take place in the Children's Library downstairs on the story steps.

This event is free, but they kindly ask that you reserve your spot in advance. [Book your place](https://literacytrust.tfaforms.net/5157058) at <https://literacytrust.tfaforms.net/5157058>

Event Highlights:

- **Storytime with Kate Rafiq:** Enjoy a reading from her beloved picture book, *Birmingham Boy*. Kate will be doing two story time sessions, 11:30 - 12:15 and 13:00 - 13:45.
- **Interactive Storytelling:** Kate will share additional stories and offer tips for making reading at home fun and engaging.
- **Free Book Giveaway:** Every child attending will receive a free book to take home.

Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to inspire a love of reading in your children.



Join us for a World Book Day celebration with local author Kate Rafiq

Saturday 8 March
11.30-12.15 and 13.00-13.45

Free storytelling and free books!

National Literacy Trust
UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM
Birmingham City Council

Spotlight on Reading: KS2

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World Book Day Vouchers

This year the World Book Day charity are inviting everyone to "Read Your Way". Their research shows that children feel reading is something they have to do, rather than something they choose to do.

Read Your Way encourages everyone to let go of reading pressures and expectations, and empowers children and young people to have fun discovering reading on their own terms.

Don't forget to exchange our vouchers for one of the books below.



Poetry Corner

Spring Song

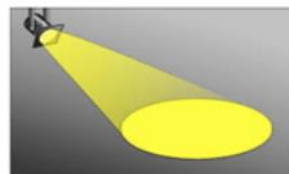


Author Unknown

Frogs croak
Rains soak
Chicks peep
Crickets leap
Bees hum
Robins come
Birds sing
It's spring!



Have fun reciting this rhyme.



Spotlight on...

Inference

Inference involves the children reaching conclusions based on what they know or have already read.

Some questions you could ask are:

- ⇒ Why do you think...?
- ⇒ Find a word or phrase that shows me how _____ might be feeling?
- ⇒ Give me 2 reasons why they might feel this way.
- ⇒ What does the word _____ suggests/imply/tell you?
- ⇒ What do you think _____ might do next? Why?
- ⇒ What can you infer from the picture/description of the character/what they said/ how they moved?

Spotlight on Curriculum: GEOGRAPHY



This term, Year 3 is embarking on an exciting geographical journey through Europe. Students will be discovering the countries that make up this fascinating continent. They will be learning about:

- Physical features of Europe: From towering mountains like the Alps to winding rivers like the Thames, the children will gain an understanding of the natural features that shape Europe's landscapes.

- Human features of Europe: We'll explore how people live in different European countries, the cities they inhabit, and how these areas have developed and grown over time

Famous Landmarks: The class will be introduced to famous European landmarks, such as the Eiffel Tower in Paris, The Colosseum in Rome, Italy and Big Ben in London, UK

As a special focus, we will be diving deep into the country of Italy. Students will explore Italy's rich history, famous food, cultural traditions, and landmarks. They'll also be studying the Italian Alps, the Roman Colosseum, and the Venetian canals.



Year 4 will be studying the exciting world of biomes before focusing on the rainforest. They will look at different environments where plants and animals live. The children will investigate:

- What is a biome?: Students will learn about the world's major biomes such as deserts, grasslands, tundras, and forests, focusing on their unique climates and wildlife.

After exploring various biomes, we'll dive deeper into the rainforest. Year 4 will discover:

- Layers of the Rainforest: From the dense forest floor to the towering emergent layer, students will learn about the different levels of the rainforest and the plants and animals that live there.

- Adaptations: How have animals and plants adapted to live in the rainforest?

- The People of the Rainforest: The class will also explore how indigenous people live in the rainforest, relying on its resources and understanding its balance.

Year 4 will also be thinking about how the rainforest is being affected by human activity, like deforestation, and the importance of conservation efforts.

This term, Year 5 will be diving into the fascinating world of rivers! Students will learn what a river is, how it flows from its source to the mouth, and how rivers shape the land they travel through. They will explore famous rivers from around the world, such as the Amazon, Nile, and Severn, and identify the landforms they create, like meanders, oxbow lakes, and delta formations. They'll also be discussing why rivers are so important to both people and nature. From providing water for drinking and farming to supporting wildlife and creating fertile land for crops, rivers are vital to life on Earth. This unit will help students understand the powerful impact rivers have on our environment and the ways they shape the world around us.



Spotlight on Curriculum: GEOGRAPHY (continued)

Fun Geography related activities to do around Birmingham:

1. Visit the Birmingham Wildlife Conservation Park -

Take a trip to the Birmingham Wildlife Conservation Park, where children can discover animals from different biomes around the world! They'll see creatures from rainforests, deserts, and more. It's a great way to explore wildlife and learn about different habitats, as well as the importance of protecting endangered species.

2. Explore the Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery

For a mix of geography, history, and culture, head to the Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery. Your child can learn about the city's rich history and the landmarks that make Birmingham unique. The museum also offers fascinating exhibitions on local geology and historical development, showing how human features like buildings and transport have shaped the city.

3. Walk Around the Birmingham Canal Network

Birmingham is famous for its canals! The Birmingham Canal Network offers a great opportunity to explore the city's industrial past. You and your child can walk or cycle along the canals, noticing how the waterways were used to transport goods in the past. Along the way, you'll pass important landmarks like the Gas Street Basin and the Brindley place area, which show how human geography has shaped the city's development.

4. Head to the Birmingham Botanical Gardens

For a fun and educational day out, visit the Birmingham Botanical Gardens. It's an ideal spot to learn about different plant species from various climates, like tropical plants in the glasshouses and native plants in the gardens. The gardens are also a great place to discuss environmental conservation and how plant life is vital to our planet.

5. Explore Sutton Park

Sutton Park is one of the largest urban parks in Europe and offers lots of opportunities to study physical geography. Take a walk around the park's lakes, woodlands, and heathland. You can explore different types of landscapes, look for wildlife, and talk about the different ecosystems found in such a large green space. It's also perfect for a picnic while discussing natural features and how human activities affect them.

6. Discover The National Sea Life Centre

A trip to The National Sea Life Centre in Birmingham can give children a closer look at underwater ecosystems. They can explore different marine habitats, from coral reefs to the deep ocean, and learn about how geography plays a role in shaping ocean life. It's a fun way to explore the world's oceans without leaving the city!

NURSERY RE-VAMP

In the holidays, HS2 and one of our very own Paget parents, Mr Carter, gave up their own time to help revamp our Nursery area. We just wanted to express our heartfelt thanks for giving up your time to help improve our outdoor area. Nothing was too much trouble for any of you, and we truly appreciate your hard work and dedication. We can't thank you enough!

The children have now had two weeks in their new space, and their excitement says it all. Some of their responses include:

- "Amazing!"
- "We can play in here now!"
- "It looks fantastic!"

The children have had a say in what they would like to do with their areas and below you'll find some photos. The mud kitchen, teepee, table, hut and water run, all made by HS2, have been a huge hit.

Thanks to the Nature Park Grant we received, and with the help of Mr Carter, we were also able to create beautiful new planters, and the children can't wait to start growing their own vegetables. This has made our space greener, better, and more enjoyable for everyone. Mr Carter you have done a fantastic job!

Your generosity and support have made such a difference, and we are so grateful. Thank you for helping to create a space where our children can learn, play, and thrive!

Thank you,
Mrs Holmes and Miss Nevitt.



SPORTS REPORT PANATHLON

On Monday March 3rd Paget hosted an after school Panathalon. We were joined by two other schools and participated in six events. The children enjoyed all the events and gave it their all – having fun at the same time.

We were lucky to be supported by some year 5 and 6 play leaders who did a fantastic job explaining the rules and encouraging the children to be the best that they can be!

Mrs Lovell said “Events like this make a real difference to our children, it is a great way to get some extra active minutes, support social communication and just have fun”

Thank you to everyone who got involved we look forward to the next one.



SPOTLIGHT ON SAFEGUARDING

Promoting positive behaviour and setting boundaries among young children

Ensuring that young children develop positive relationships and understand personal boundaries is essential for their well-being and growth.

Understanding child-on-child abuse

Child-on-child abuse happens when one child harms another, whether through physical aggression, verbal bullying, or inappropriate touching. It can also include less obvious behaviours such as looking under toilet doors, sending inappropriate messages, or invading someone's privacy online or in person. Recognising and addressing these behaviours early helps create a safe and respectful environment for all children.

Encouraging appropriate behaviour

Here are key points to help children understand and practice respectful behaviour:

- **Respect for others:** encourage kindness, polite words, and empathy.
- **Personal space:** teach children about personal space and the importance of asking permission before touching others.
- **Inappropriate touching:** explain that certain body parts are private and off-limits, using age-appropriate language.

Tips for parents

- Have regular conversations with your child about their day, friendships, and any concerns they might have.
- Be a role model by respecting boundaries, showing how to say no politely, and demonstrating empathy and kindness.
- Reinforce positive behaviour with praise and specific feedback, such as acknowledging when they respect someone else's boundaries.
- Provide age-appropriate examples of boundaries and discuss what to do when someone crosses them.
- Encourage children to trust their instincts and express their feelings.
- Regularly discuss online safety, including what is appropriate to share and how to handle uncomfortable messages.

TEACHING ABOUT CHILDREN BOUNDARIES
SETTING AND RECOGNISING BOUNDARIES IS AN IMPORTANT LIFE SKILL.
HERE'S HOW TO GUIDE YOUR CHILD:

- 1 HELP THEM IDENTIFY BOUNDARIES**
Talk to your child about personal boundaries, theirs and other people's. This includes physical touch, sharing belongings, or personal space.
- 2 PRACTICE SCENARIOS TOGETHER**
Role-play common situations where they might need to assert themselves, like saying "No" to a hug or telling a friend to stop a game if it feels uncomfortable. Include situations where other people may say no to them.
- 3 EMPOWER WITH LANGUAGE**
Teach specific phrases such as "I don't like that," "Please stop," or "I need space." Reassure them that it's okay to say these even to friends or adults and that they must respond when people say similar phrases to them.
- 4 RECOGNISE WARNING SIGNS**
Help children recognise behaviours that cross boundaries, like unwanted touching, teasing, or pressure to do something they dislike.
- 5 ENCOURAGE OPEN COMMUNICATION**
Let your child know they can always come to you with concerns or questions without fear of judgement.
- 6 BUILD CONFIDENCE**
Praise your child when they assert their boundaries, reinforcing that their feelings and comfort matter.

PAGET PTA



PTA NEWSLETTER



Upcoming Events

- **6th March World book day**
wear your favourite pjs.
- **21st March Red nose day**
cake sale after school
- **27th March Mother's Day workshop**
crafts afterschool



Welcome

A big hello from us, your Paget PTA Team!
We have been busy trying to plan lots of fun activities and events for our children and families at Paget.

Thank you so much to everybody that entered our colouring competition we managed to raise nearly £70. These funds will be used to buy all of the Easter goodies for the children participating in the upcoming Easter activities!

KEEP UP TO DATE WITH US

Come and see what we're all about and make a difference!

Our next meeting is
Tuesday 11th March 9.15
@Costa (above next) at the fort.



Reminders

Mother's Day workshop
payment deadline is Friday
14th march.

LIMITED PLACES.
FIRST COME FIRST SERVED



Be sure to follow us on
our social media platforms



COMMUNITY ACTIVITY



Birmingham Community Healthcare **NHS**
NHS Foundation Trust



in association with **Spurgeons**
Partner with Trustee



Erdington District Family Hub at Lakeside Children's Centres

Activity Calendar

Groups to start back on week commencing 13th January 2025

Nothing makes children happier than having someone to play with.
Children learn so much through play,
we are helping their minds grow and develop when we take the time to play with them.



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Activity Calendar



Monday

KIDS West Midlands Referral Only
10:00am-11.30am



Foodcycle
3:30am - 5:00pm
Bookable slots
Free 3 course meal for the whole family.



Tuesday

Breastfeeding Support Group
10:00am-11:30am
Run by Birmingham Breastfeeding Network



Stepping Stones Referral only
1:00-2:30pm
Stay and play session for children with additional needs, diagnosed or undiagnosed

Urban Devotion Youth Services
3:00pm-6:00pm
Call 0121 350 9370 for more information



Wednesday

VITAMIN DROPS AND TABLETS AVAILABLE HERE!

They are absolutely free and are available from all our centres



You can see if you are eligible for the healthy start vouchers here:

www.healthystart.nhs.uk



Thursday

BCC Housing Surgery
10:00am - 12:00pm

Are you living in a Birmingham City Council Property and need support with housing? Please pop into Lakeside to speak to a housing officer.

Duty

There is a worker on duty daily to help with any queries or support you and your family may need. All you need to do is call us on: 0121 752 1970

This is for any families with children aged 0-19 or 25 with SEND.

Friday

Play and Learn
1:15pm - 2:45pm
Come and join us for some family fun for children ages 0-5 years.

PAUSE Drop In
For more information and times please check the following website weekly:

forwardthinkingbirmingham.nhs.uk/pause

Free Women Only Exercise
1:30pm - 2:30pm
Limited Spaces
Call 0121 752 1970 to book

Free Children's Boxercise
3:30pm - 4:30pm
Age 7-11 years
Limited Spaces
Call 0121 752 1970 to book

Lakeside Children's Centre
Lakes Road, B23 7UH
(B23 7LY if using a satnav)
0121 752 1970
We are open Monday - Friday
9:00am - 5:00pm

Other activities and services available at our centres

- **1:1 Family Support:** Do you need some advice and support? Call your nearest centre to book an appointment with one of our Family Support Workers.
- **Domestic Abuse support**
- **Infant feeding support**
- **Bookstart**
- **Wellcomm screening**
- **Home safety assessments**



ErdingtonChildren'sCentres



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2024-2025

Monday 17th March - Y1 Phonics Parent Workshop *

Monday 17th March - Y5 trip *

Thursday 27th March - PTA Craft Event *

Tuesday 8th April - Parents Evening

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

Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd May - Year Two residential

Friday 23rd May - Last day of term - break up for half term

Monday 2nd June - Term begins - children return to school

Week commencing 2nd June - Year 4 Multiplication Check

Week commencing 9th June - year One Phonics Screening Check

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*

