



Regents Park Parent and Carer Newsletter



Regents Park Community Primary School | Term: Autumn 1 Week 5 | Date: 3rd October 2025

Message from the Headteacher, Mrs Zamir:

It has been another busy and exciting week at Regents Park!

Parent Governor Update

- We would like to say a heartfelt **thank you to Alesha Hussain** for her fabulous contribution as a Parent Governor. She has been a passionate advocate for our school community, always putting the children first and bringing real energy and commitment to the role.
- As Alesha has now stepped down, there is a **vacancy for a new Parent Governor**. Letters with further details about the election process will be sent home on Monday – we encourage interested parents to put themselves forward and play an important part in shaping the future of our school.

Our **Parents' Evening** on Wednesday was very well attended, with 305 consultations taking place. Many of you shared positive feedback about how efficient the appointments were and how quickly you could move through the evening. We also appreciate the comments about the friendly changes you've noticed this term. A few parents did mention that it felt a little loud – and we agree! This first Parents' Evening is designed as a short check-in to see how your child has settled in. In the spring term, our Parents' Evening will take place in classrooms, giving you more time to look through your child's books and discuss their progress in greater depth.

A quick reminder that interest for the Year 5 residential is due **by 10th October** to confirm your child's place.

We were delighted to see so many of you at our **Friday Celebration Assemblies** today. Miss Paddem and I love leading these each week and celebrating our children's many achievements. A huge well done to all those who earned their Skipping School workout certificates – we are very proud of you!

Breakfast Club update: Please note that the signing-in procedures for Breakfast Club have changed. Children must now be signed in at the Main Entrance. To help us keep everything running smoothly, we kindly ask families to arrive a little earlier and to park and walk in where possible. Thank you for supporting us with this change.

Looking ahead to next week:

- **5W's Class Assembly** will take place on Monday – we look forward to seeing many of you there.
- We are collecting donations for our **Harvest Food Festival**, which will support local charities as well as some of the families in greatest need within our own school community. Thank you in advance for your generosity.
- Breaktimes and lunchtimes are changing for Lower School (Years 1-3) and Upper School (Years 4-6) from Monday:

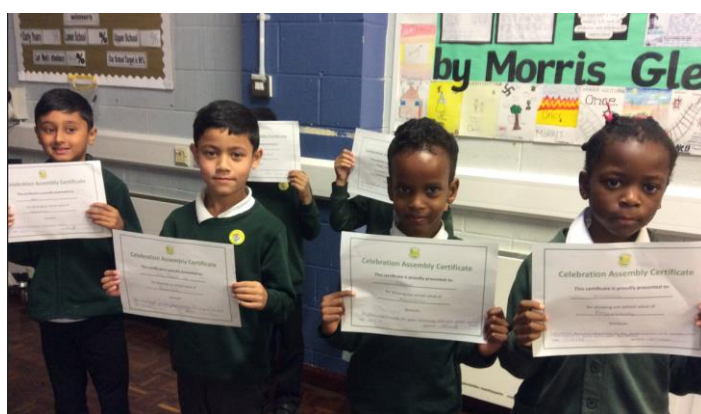
From 6 th October:	Lower School	Upper School
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Breaktime	10:25 – 10:40	10:45-11:00
Lunchtime	11:45-12:30	12:15-13:00

Our Year 6 pupils are preparing for their **prefect speeches**, including those for the important roles of Head Boy, Head Girl, Deputies and School Council Leaders. We are very proud of the maturity and leadership they are showing as they take on these responsibilities.

It was wonderful to see such a fantastic turnout of parents for our **Friday celebration assemblies**, which Miss Paddem and I lead each week. I am very proud of all our children who earned a **Skipping School workout certificate** today!



Thank you for your continued support. Together we are building a thriving school community. I wish you all a lovely weekend.

Attendance Update

Congratulations to our top attenders this week:

- **EYFS (Nursery & Reception): RMH – 92.9%**
- **Lower Phase (Years 1–3): 2HH – 98.3%**
- **Upper Phase (Years 4–6): 4VC – 99%**

Our **whole school attendance** was **95.4%**. We continue to aim for **100% attendance**, ensuring every child has the best chance to learn, thrive and achieve their very best.

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✦ Every day counts – let's keep going for **100% attendance!** ✦

NHS guidance on school attendance and illness

- Please read NHS guidance on how to manage your child's illness.
- It's fine to send your child to school with slight [cough](#) or [common cold](#) symptoms, such as a runny nose, sore throat or headache, as long as they're otherwise well and do not have a high temperature.
- But if they have a high temperature, keep them off school until the temperature has gone.
- <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Behaviour Policy Consultation Coffee Morning

- We warmly invite you to join us for a **Behaviour Policy Consultation Coffee Morning** on Thursday 9th October at 9am in the **Drama Hall**.
- This informal gathering is a chance for us to share updates to our behaviour policy, hear your thoughts, and work together to ensure our approach supports every child's wellbeing and success. Your voice matters, and we'd love to hear your perspective.

Secondary School Applications

Parents who have applied for a secondary school place will receive an email acknowledgement listing the schools applied for. Please **forward this email to:** enquiry@rgntpark.bham.sch.uk.

Thank you for your support in keeping our records up to date.

In the Week Ahead:

Monday 6 th October to Friday 10 th October 2025:	
Monday	• 9-9.30am - Class 5W's Class Assembly – 5W parents are welcome at 9am! • Year 3 swimming continues for class 3SK and 3Q • Year 4 and 5 After-School Sports Club takes place. Please collect your children by 4.10 p.m. from the Dixon Road gate.
Tuesday	• Digital skills class for Parents (9.15am-11.30 a.m.) • Maths Class for Parents 12.30pm-2.30pm
Wednesday	• Parents' Workshop – English Speaking Class. 9.15 a.m.-11.30 a.m.
Thursday	• Parents coffee morning – Behaviour policy consultation • Year 6 Sports Club will run. Please collect your children by 4.10p.m. from the Dixon Road gate
Friday	• 9 – 9.30 a.m. Early Years and Lower Phase Celebration • 2.30 – 2.50 p.m. Upper School Celebration Assembly
Key Dates & Upcoming Events:	

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- 24th October (school closes at 3 p.m.) – Last Day of Autumn 1
- Monday 3rd November (school opens at 8 a.m. for Breakfast Club; 8.40 a.m. for the rest of the pupils) –First Day of Autumn 2 Term

Harvest Collection 2025



As a school, we believe it is important for children to learn about the significance of harvest and how, as a community, we can support those in need.

In the past, thanks to your generosity, we have been able to support a number of charities including Birmingham City Mission, All Saints Church and Islamic Relief. This year, we will once again be donating to a range of charities.

If you would like to contribute, please send non-perishable, in-date food items such as sugar, soup, baked beans, pasta, tinned fruit and vegetables, cooking oil, tea, coffee, jam, biscuits, rice, flour and dried noodles into school between **Monday 6th October and Friday 10th October 2025**.

We thank you in advance for your continued kindness and generosity.

The School Library

From next week, the children will be able to visit the school library and loan one book. It is important that library books are returned every week so that everyone in school has access to these. Please can you also ensure that you return library books from last year; we still have 137 books out on loan. Any books lost or damaged will incur a charge. Thank you.

Reading Passport Books

In addition to a library book, all children will be given a reading passport book to take home. These books are the recommended books children should read in each year. Again, please make sure these are returned to class each week.

Reading Practice Books

Reading Practice books will be sent home with children in Reception and KS1. These books are read in class with their teacher three times per week. Please listen to your child reading every day.



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Reading Records: All children have a yellow reading record where they record the name of any book they have read. There is also a section for parents to record any comments related to your child's reading. Please make sure your child brings their reading record to school every day.



5W Class Assembly - Monday 6th October 2025 9am This week, **5W** will be performing their class assembly, and we warmly welcome all parents to come along and celebrate the children's achievements.

Please enter via the **school office entrance** and sign in on arrival. We look forward to seeing you there!

Homework

TTRS (Years 2- Years 6):

Accelerated Reader (Year 3 – Year 6)



Arbor Parent Portal & App – Stay Connected! We are excited to let you know that Regent's Park Community Primary School is now using the **Arbor Parent Portal and Arbor App** for all school communications.

With Arbor, you can:

- View your child's **attendance** and **behaviour**
- Receive important **messages**
- Give **consent** for trips
- Pay for **meals**
- And much more – all in one place!
- On **18 September 2025**, parents and carers were sent a 'Welcome to Arbor' email inviting you to activate your account and set a password. If you haven't seen this email, please check your **spam or junk folders**.
- If you have changed your email address, please contact us at enquiry@rgntpark.bham.sch.uk from your new address. Be sure to include your **child's name and class**, so we can update our records.
- Download the **Arbor app** today from the [Google Play](#) or the [Apple App](#) Store:

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Android Play Store



iOS App Store



- If you need help, check out our website for a [step-by-step guide](#) or come see the Office Team at Parents' Evening!

Notices & Reminders

- Please label all school uniform clearly with your child's name.
- **Mobile phones are not permitted anywhere on school grounds, including the playground.**

Contact & Support

- **Designated Safeguarding Lead:** Miss Paddem
- Deputy DSLs: Mrs Khan, Mrs Turner, Miss Khan, Mrs Vara and Mrs Zamir
- School Office: enquiry@rgntpark.bham.sch.uk | 0121 464 6746

Key Reminders and Announcements

How to Protect yourself and your family from Measles – Information from Birmingham City Council

With recent cases of measles across the West Midlands, it has never been more important to ensure that yourself and others are protected – especially at the start of a new term.

Measles is highly infectious and spreads easily, including in busy settings such as schools, colleges and universities. It can lead to serious health complications, especially in children under 1, pregnant women, and people with a weakened immune system. Outbreaks can happen when not enough people have been immunised.

Protecting yourself and others

MMR immunisation is the best way to protect yourself and others against measles because it is **effective, safe and free of charge**. Two doses are needed for the best protection. For more information, visit the NHS page on the link below.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/>.

Or scan the QR code below

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PE & Extracurricular activity

It is great to see the number of children taking part in our weekly PE challenges. As we strive to increase each child's daily physical activity, we also have several children from upper school take part in Wednesday lunch times active club. Well done to those children!

Children are now 4 PE lessons into their class topic and there has been great progress. **There will be some upcoming school games competitions for Upper school too for us to provide competitive opportunities.**

Reminder of Pe days are below. **Please can children come into school wearing their full PE kit on their PE day:**

Reception – Wednesday

Year 1 – Monday

Year 2 – Thursday

Year 3 – Tuesday

Year 4 – Wednesday

Year 5 – Tuesday

Year 6 – Thursday

WOW Walk to School

After the success of walk to school last year, we have decided to continue with it this year. Children are expected to walk, cycle, scoot or park and stride to school 3 times a week to achieve a badge at the end of the month. Our walk to school days are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Remember, park and stride involves your car being parked away from school (at least a 10 minute walk).



Please find a link to our **weekly Parents and Carers Newsletter** here:

<https://www.rgntpark.bham.sch.uk/stream/newsletters/full/1/-//>



Please follow us on X: <https://x.com/rgntparkschool> Our handle is: **@rgntparkschool**



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