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REGENTS PARK NEWSLETTER

Friday 12th December 2025

“Believe In Yourself, Anything Is Possible”

Dear families,

It has been another wonderful week at Regents Park. This week's newsletter includes updates from across the school, including curriculum highlights, sports events, safeguarding reminders, attendance champions and **Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day**, where we raised **over £110**. Thank you for your continued support.

I am pleased to share that, following consultation with parents and carers, staff, governors and our School Council, our **school values are now finalised as *Ambition, Integrity and Belonging***. Thank you to everyone who shared their views — your feedback has been invaluable in shaping the next chapter of our school.



In response to suggestions from our School Council, we will also be exploring a redesign of our school logo. Please look out for a letter coming home next week with further details.

Countdown to Christmas

With just under one week to go until the Christmas break, excitement is building across the school. Our children are making the most of every moment, and it remains important that they attend school every day during this busy and special time.

As we prepare for our Christmas celebrations, we would be grateful for any **unused or new items** donated for the **Christmas Fair tombola** by **Tuesday**. All funds raised will support school activities, and we hope to see many of you at the fair.

Website Photos – School Fair

Photographs will be taken at the Christmas Fair this **Wednesday** for our website and end-of-year newsletter. By attending, you consent to photographs being used for these purposes. If you have any concerns, please speak to the **School Office** or **Mr Marlowe**.

Parents and Carers Coffee Morning



Wednesday 21st January 2026



9:00–10:00am



Main Entrance

This will be an informal opportunity to meet, share ideas and ask questions. I look forward to seeing you there.

Warmest wishes,
Mrs Zamir
Headteacher



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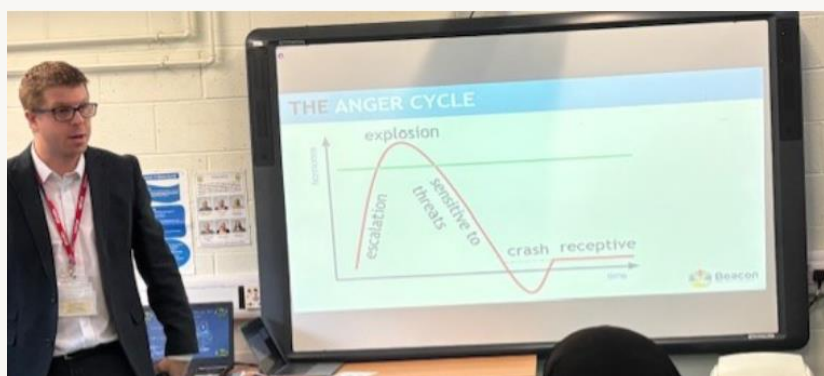
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Update Following the Parents and Carers Behaviour Management Morning with Beacon School Support – 11th December 2025

Thank you to all the parents and carers who joined Mrs Vara, and Joe Staines, SEMH and Behaviour specialist from Beacon School Support on Thursday.

Joe shared some useful ways that parents can help their child to manage 'big' emotions such as anger or anxiety.

Free resources are available for parents from the Beacon website:





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December 2025

Thursday: Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Dinner





This week in Early Years

This week in Nursery, the children enjoyed music with Emma the Elf, we played along with bells and shakers and found Santa in her magical bag. We have been busy making lots of Christmas crafts and the children enjoyed using Christmas tree branches to paint with. We added herbs to our playdough and the children used their senses to describe them.

This week in Reception, we've been busy practising our Nativity play and learning all about the Christmas story. The children have loved getting creative by making crowns just like the Wise Men and helping to decorate our Christmas trees.





This week in Lower School

Year 1

This week, the children have been engaging in a range of exciting learning experiences across the curriculum. In English, they had a go at writing their own instructions for how to plant a pumpkin seed, working independently and editing their writing to improve clarity and accuracy. In maths, we have been exploring the value of numbers to 20 through practical activities using Dienes to deepen understanding of place value. In RE, the children have been learning about how people express joy, linking this to the Christmas story and its themes of celebration. To conclude our Significant People topic, the Freshwater Theatre Company delivered an interactive workshop all about Neil Armstrong and Christopher Columbus, which our Year 1 classes thoroughly enjoyed.

Year 2

This week, in Year 2 we have been exploring the features of a diary entry and practising how to change sentences from third person to first person. We have also been using time conjunctions to sequence events as we wrote about *The Journey of the Pea* from *The Pea and the Princess*. We have been investigating doubling and halving, using problem-solving activities to help us explain our thinking. We have been researching Jamaican patties and taste-testing different pastries. We evaluated their flavours and textures to help us prepare for next week's exciting cooking session, where we will be making our very own vegetable patty.

Year 3

In Year 3, the children have been planning and writing their own free-verse poems, using the key skills we have been focusing on, including alliteration, rhyme, expanded noun phrases, and similes. In Maths, we are completing our unit on fractions, where the class has been counting in tenths, finding fractions of discrete amounts, and applying their knowledge through problem-solving activities to consolidate learning. In Topic, the children have been comparing and reinforcing everything they have learned about the Stone Age and the Bronze Age.



This week in Upper School

Year 4

This week in Year 4, we have made vegetable pizzas. The children made the dough themselves, chopped their own vegetables and chose the toppings for their pizza. They tasted delicious!

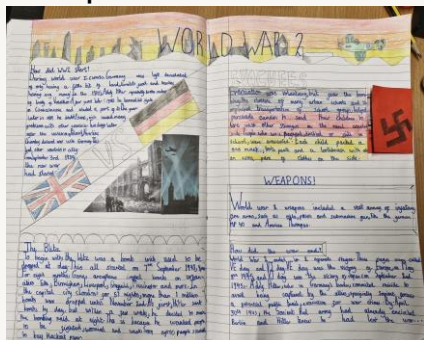


Year 5

In Year 5, the children have completed the planning and writing of their own stories inspired by *Holes*, focusing on creating a clear dilemma in the storyline and developing their ideas in detail. In Maths, they have been finishing their work on fractions by converting, comparing, and ordering fractions, as well as solving a range of related problems. In Geography, the children produced a chronological report on Small Heath, exploring how the area has changed over time and organising their work clearly.

Year 6

This week in Year 6, we have completed our non-chronological reports about World War Two. In maths, we have been dividing fractions using pictorial representations as well as following a written method. In Geography this week, we have created a set of instruction using the 8 points on a compass.





Sports & This Week in PE



On Monday, 'Dream Team Combat' visited school to deliver an assembly to Upper school children. They are a Martial Arts organisation who are going to deliver an After school Martial Arts Club to a group of Year 6 Children.

On Thursday, Year 6 children competed in a Gymnastics competition. All children have worked super hard to develop their Gymnastic skills and create a performance in groups. There were some great sequences on show!



Well done to all involved!



Upcoming events:

15.01.26 Year 5 School Games Athletics Event in the Sports Hall



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December 2025

Dates For Your Diary!

Monday 15th December

- **Children's Book Project** – books gift per child!

Tuesday 16th December (morning)

- **9.15am** EYFS Nativity to parents (and Y3 in attendance)



Wednesday 17th December

PM: Christmas Fair. School finishes early:

- **12:00pm:** Nursery home time
- **12:10pm:** Reception – Year 6 home time
- **1.30pm – 3.30pm** Christmas Fair. Parents/carers and children welcome!

Thursday 18th December: Non uniform day!

- **9:00–9:30am:** Year 4 Guitars & Electives Concert (Y4 parents, Y5/6 Electives parents; Y3 & Y5 watching)
- **Afternoon:** Christmas parties in school (no sharing of food due to allergies)

Friday 19th December – Last Day of Term

- **09:00–09:30am:** EYFS & Lower School Gold Achievers Assembly
- **11:30–12:00pm:** Upper School Gold Achievers Assembly
- **12:00pm:** Nursery home time
- **12:15pm:** Children leave for the holidays



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January 2026



Dates For Your Diary!

- **Monday 5th January 2025: School Closed to Pupils for Staff Training Day**
- **Tuesday 6th January: School is Open to Pupils from 08:40 (and for Breakfast Club)**
- **Tuesday 6th – Friday 9th January: Curriculum Workshops for Parents/Carers**

Spring 1 Year Group Curriculum Workshops			
Date and Time		Year Group	Location
Tuesday 6 th January	8.50 – 9.05	Nursery	Nursery classroom
Tuesday 6 th January	9.05 – 9.25	Reception	Classroom
Tuesday 6 th January	2.30 – 2.50	Year 1	Drama Hall
Wednesday 7 th January	8.50 – 9.10	Year 2	Drama Hall
Wednesday 7 th January	9.15 – 9.35	Year 4	Drama Hall
Wednesday 7 th January	2.30 – 2.50	Year 3	Drama Hall
Thursday 8 th January	8.50 – 9.10	Year 6	Drama Hall
Thursday 13 th January	2.30 – 2.50	Year 5	Drama Hall

- **Thursday 15th January: Application deadline for a Reception place**
- **Wednesday 21st January: 9-10am Parents/Carers Coffee Morning with the Headteacher – *please note the change of date.***
- **Tuesday 10th February & Wednesday 11th February (3.30pm and after): Parents Evenings** in the classrooms to discuss progress.
- **Half-term holidays: Monday 16 February 2026 to Friday 20 February 2026**
- **School is open to children and staff members from Monday 23rd February 2026**
- **Spring term ends: Friday 27 March 2026**



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Applying for a Primary School Place – Important Information for Parents

You must apply for a primary school (Reception) place **a year before your child can start school.**

Children start school in the September after their **4th birthday**

Your child will be **3 or have just turned 4** when you apply
This applies **even if you are considering a later start** –
you can request this as part of the application



Applications close on 15 January



Need help with your application?

Parents can book a time with **Mrs S. Khan (Family Support Worker)** to complete the application in **January**.
Please visit **Main Reception** to arrange support.

🔑 Support appointments must be booked **no later than Wednesday 14 January** to ensure your application is submitted on time.



Apply online here:

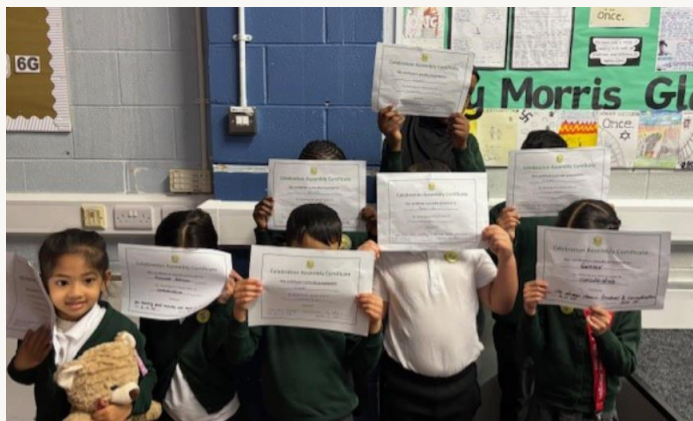
https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/20119/school_admissions/1786/apply_for_reception_primary_school

If you have any questions or are unsure about the process, please speak to the school office — we're happy to help.



Stars of the Week

Reception to Year 3:



Year 3 - Year 6



Our Silver Dojo Award Winners



Our Year 6 Prefects delivering the Upper School assembly – well done!





Attendance and Safeguarding

Attendance Champions

Early Years

RMH

93.5%

Lower School

2MH & 3SK

95.2%

Upper School

6G

98.7%



Penalty Notices

We would like to remind families that **leave for holidays during term time will not be authorised**. Regular attendance is vital for children's learning and progress, and missing school has a significant impact on achievement and wellbeing. This term, there have already been **21 penalty notice referrals made** and it is **Birmingham City Council** that **will issue fines to parents for unauthorised absences**.



To find out more:

https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/downloads/file/29495/bcc_education_penalty_notice_code_of_conduct_september_2024

https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/downloads/file/29494/bcc_education_prosecution_policy_2024

Safeguarding reminder: As the evenings grow darker earlier, please remind children to stay visible and walk home with an adult or trusted friend. We encourage families to plan safe, well-lit routes and ensure children know what to do if they ever feel unsafe.



Christmas Fair

 **Tombola Donations Needed!** 

Do you have any unused items or gifts to donate for our school fair's tombola stall?

Please send these in **by Tuesday**

All funds raised will support our school activities.





Christmas Faire

We will be hosting a fair for our children and school parents and carers!

Please join us on WEDNESDAY!

Join us at Regents Park Community Primary School's

Christmas Fair

You're invited to celebrate this special time of year with holiday cheer!

Wednesday 17th December

1.30 p.m. - 3.30 p.m.

We can't wait to see you!

www.rgntpark.bham.sch.uk



Holiday Activity Sports Camp (HAF)

If your child is in receipt of benefits-related free school meals (i.e. Universal Credit), you can apply for them to join in the Christmas HAF programme. To book, our school code is : 3302063



Regents Park Winter Sports Camp

Venue

Regents Park Community Primary School

Arthur Street

B10 0NJ



Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd December

10.00am - 2.00pm

[Click here or scan QR to book your place](#)



Keep Your Child Safe Online!

It's Christmas Time – Parents guide to help keep children safe online

It's Christmas Time!

It's always best to be prepared

Many parents may be planning to give electronic gadgets to their children this festive period. This guide is designed to help parents take a realistic approach to help keep their children safe when using the internet, social media and playing online games. Please click on each image below for more information.



A Parent's Guide to Social Media



A Parent's Guide to Sharing Pictures



A Parent's Guide to Gaming



A Parent's Guide to Live Streaming



A Parent's Guide to Online Grooming



A Parent's Guide to Online Influencers



A Parent's Guide to Fake News



A Parent's Guide to Privacy Settings

Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.



Parents please contact your school if you would like to attend a parents internet safety workshop or have any concerns.

Schools please [contact us](https://www.skipssafetynet.org/contact-us) if you would like a SKIPS Safety Net session delivered to your parent groups or staff.

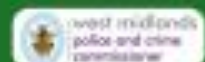
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Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.

Developed in partnership with



Skips

Keeping children safe online

www.skipssafetynet.org

Our Safeguarding Team

We have **trusted adults** in school, including Mrs Khan and all members of the Senior Leadership Team: Miss Khan, Mrs Vara, Mrs Turner, Miss Paddem and Mrs Zamir. Children can speak to any adult or any **trusted adult** if they ever need help or feel unsafe.





British Values at Regents Park

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Democracy

A state of society characterised by equality of rights and privileges. Democracy can also refer to our nation's electoral systems.

Individual Liberty

The free exercise of rights, generally seen as outside government control.

Rule of Law

All people and institutions are subject to and accountable to law that is fairly applied and enforced.

Mutual Respect

The proper regard for an individual's dignity, which is reciprocated.

Tolerance of Those with Different Faiths and Beliefs

A fair, objective, and permissive attitude to those whose faith and beliefs may differ from one's own.



Safeguarding news

We would like to remind parents and carers that if you have a safeguarding concerns, then you can raise it with school by emailing safeguarding@rgntpark.bham.sch.uk and we will aim to respond to you within 3 working days.

Alternatively if you are concerned about a child then you can contact CASS on 01213031888 or the police on 999.

SEND support

We know how challenging it can be for parents of our SEND children. To support you, Mrs Turner can meet with you to discuss concerns.

Please arrange an appointment via the School Office. If you prefer to email, please use the enquiry email and she will reply within 3 working days.

Upcoming events



No swimming lesson for Year 4 on the 15th December. Swimming will resume on Monday 12th January. Year 4's last session will be on 16th February 2026.

Wednesday 17th December - Christmas Fair (afternoon)

Thursday 18th December – Y4 and electives Guitar performance 9-9.30am.

Friday 19th December – Last day of term

In January 2026 and after:

Monday 5th January 2026 – Teacher Training Day

Tuesday 6th January 2026 – First day back for pupils

Tuesday 6th – Friday 9th January: Curriculum Workshops for Parents

Wednesday 21st January 2026 (9-10am): Coffee Morning for Parents/Carers with the Headteacher



Healthy Snacks and Lunchboxes Guidance

Please follow this guidance sent home earlier this week. **We do not allow chocolates containing nuts, including hazelnut spread sandwiches!**

Regents Park Community Primary School's Healthy Snacks & Lunchboxes Guidance

WHAT TO INCLUDE IN A HEALTHY LUNCHBOX

- ✓ 1 fruit + 1 vegetable
- ✓ Protein (meat, fish, egg, lentils, beans, hummus)
- ✓ Starchy food (bread, wrap, pasta, rice, potatoes, chapatti, roti)
- ✓ Dairy or alternative (cheese, yoghurt, soya yoghurt)
- ✓ Water is strongly encouraged



HEALTHY SNACKS ALLOWED

- ✓ Fresh fruit
- ✓ Fresh vegetables
- ✓ Breadsticks / rice cakes / oatcakes
- ✓ Dairy-free yoghurt tubes (kept cool)

NOT ALLOWED IN SCHOOL

- X Fizzy drinks, sugary drinks, energy drinks
- X Sweets, chocolate bars, chocolate biscuits
- X Crisps (except one small packet in lunchbox occasionally)
- X Pastries, cakes for snacks
- X Chocolate spread or jam sandwiches

ABSOLUTELY NO NUTS OR PEANUT PRODUCTS

This includes:

- In lunchboxes
- In snacks
- In birthday treats

This protects children with severe allergies.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Please do not send cakes, sweets or edible items.

Suggested alternatives:

- Stickers
- Pencils
- Donate a class book

Thank you for supporting a healthy, safe school environment.

THIS SCHOOL IS NUT FREE



SCHOOL NURSE VIRTUAL DROP-IN CLINIC

Every
Tuesday
and
Thursday
from
4:30-5:30pm

Your School Nurse is here to help you feel healthy, happy and safe during your school years and to get the best from your education.

Join the link and talk to a School Nurse. We provide a confidential and friendly service.

<https://nhs.vc/BCHC/C-F/Schl-Nurse/Drop-In>



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Active Travel

A reminder that **Walk to School** will continue this year. Children need to walk to school on three days each week – Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday – in order to earn a badge at the end of the month.



Please support us by encouraging your child to walk, cycle, scoot, or park and stride (parking at least 10 minutes away from school and walking the rest of the journey). Thank you for your continued support.

