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## NEWSLETTER

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### Attendance Matters

I would like to take this opportunity to remind all parents of the importance of good attendance. Birmingham Local Authority have now issued a new directive which states that children will automatically be classified as 'Persistent Absentees' if their attendance falls below 90%. At the forthcoming Parents' Evening you will be made aware if your child falls into this category. The outcome of this is that your child's attendance will be closely monitored on a weekly basis until it increases above 90%. If this increase does not occur the local authority are in a position to take legal action, which can then result in the parent(s) being fined and possibly obtaining a criminal record.

**However, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the vast majority of our parents who ensure that their children are in school everyday and on time; these children always achieve the best outcomes in school.**

### Democracy Assembly

'We talked about democracy and we had to choose a good leader. We voted for the bumble bee because he was clever, he would organise the animals and he wouldn't eat anyone! I really enjoyed the assembly.' - Daiyan (2T)

'On Tuesday we did an assembly about democracy and it was great. We both participated and we had to vote with ten other children. We had to vote for the president of the planet Alderon. It was between: Darth Vader, Princess Leia, Bobafett and Obi-One Kenobi. Obi-One Kenobi won with an outstanding seven votes!' - Ryan and Khiyaan (Y6)

### KS1 Coffee Morning

'I would like to thank everyone who came to the Key Stage One Coffee Morning on Wednesday. It was good to get to know you and share information about our phase. I would also like to thank Friends of Calshot for providing the coffee and cakes, and for giving up their time.' - Mr Hemmingway (KS1 Phase Leader)

***I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Hemmingway for organising the morning and a BIG thank you, once again, to all the family members who attended.***

## Year 2 - Beach Day

'Beach Day was fun. We got to have ice-cream and we got to make some fish and we decorated them.' - Angad (2H)

'On Friday, Year 2 had a Beach Day. We made some fish and we did lots of other activities like rock pooling and stencilling. In the afternoon we had delicious ice-cream. It was great fun!' - Zyiannah (2T)

'On Friday, it was Beach Day and we made some fish. We decorated postcards and had lots of fun.' - Jessica (2H)

## Reception Classes Lining Up

Could I ask all parents to stand back at the start of the day when their children are lining up, as some parents are actually lining up in the line with their children. This makes it extremely difficult for the Reception class teachers to see their entire class because the parents are blocking the view of the children towards the back of the line. However, please be assured that your child's class teacher is always available if you wish to speak to them.

## Reception and Nursery Open Day

**The Reception and Nursery Open Days for prospective pupils for September 2018 are being held on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017 (9:30am - 10:30am) and Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2017 (4:30pm - 5:30pm). Please ring the school to confirm your attendance.**

## School Fund

This week £65.00 was collected in School Fund. May I take this opportunity to thank all the parents who have paid, some of whom have paid for the whole half term, as this means we can buy those 'extra' things for the children.

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(Head Teacher)