



WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS



Spring 2023-Issue 98

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well folks, it's been quite a week...but we made it to Friday! The prospect of snow conjures up a range of different emotions for us all and we certainly had the feelings of our families in the forefront of our minds when we decided to keep school open yesterday and today. We hope that you all have found our communication helpful and our plans supportive- if you have any feedback about this please do get in touch via Head@.

On Wednesday and Thursday, we also ran our parents' evenings. We hope that you found meetings with teachers informative; again, if you think these can be improved in any way, your feedback is welcome.

Earlier in the week the PTA circulated letters about the discos and also the Easter Bonnet parades. This year we are planning 'parades' for all children. We appreciate that some of our older children might not initially feel that this is something they want to participate in. This is completely voluntary, and we are not asking for any families to spend money on Easter creations, however, I will be chatting to our children in KS2 next week about other creative ways they might want to engage with the festivities, so I am hoping that by the end of the term, we have a school full of children that want to be part of the event.

Next week we have the last of the planned days of industrial action and a form will have been circulated to you so you can let us know if you are keeping your children at home. This time we are only giving this option for children in Years 1-6 as the Reception classes are holding their very first class assemblies so we need all these children to be in school.

DATES FOR DIARIES

Tue 14 Mar	RR Class Assembly
Wed 15 Mar	RGR Class Assembly YR PTA Easter Disco
Thu 16 Mar	RS Class Assembly Y1 PTA Easter Disco
Fri 17 Mar	Red Nose Day
Mon 20 Mar	4S Begin Swimming Lessons for 2 weeks
Wed 22 Mar	Y2-6 PTA Easter Disco Governing Board Finance & Personnel
Fri 24 Mar	Easter Parade – KS1 9am KS2 2.30pm Y2 Easter Assembly – 2pm at St Francis Church
Thu 30 Mar	Full Governing Board
Fri 31 Mar	Guitar & Ukulele Concert
Fr 31 Mar	<i>Pupils Breakup for half term</i>
Tue 18 April	<i>Pupils Return to School for Summer Term 1</i>

Finally, I am sure you would like to join me in saying a huge THANKYOU to Mr Carter and the site team for clearing the snow and all the staff at BVP for persevering with some very long and difficult journeys this morning and yesterday, so that they could be in school for our children. - well done team BVP!

I hope you all have a restful weekend, and we look forward to doing it all again (hopefully without the snow!) on Monday!

Mrs A Cooper
Head Teacher

Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is the responsibility of everyone in our school and at all times we consider what is in our children's best interests. We work to ensure our children are safe and cared for and by doing this we are protecting their health and development and preventing them from harm. If we are worried, we will raise concerns, share information, and take prompt action with the aim of ensuring families receive the right help at the right time.



FRIDAY 17 MARCH

On Friday 17th March we are inviting the children to wear red noses or paint their nose red. If you are able to make a donation, please do so via your ParentPay account as we are unable to accept cash.

Music News

Guitar and Ukulele Concert - Today we took the difficult decision to reschedule our guitar and ukulele concert. We know how much the children were looking forward to sharing their hard work and musical talents but as we only had half our musicians in school, we felt that the fairest decision was to postpone. The guitar and ukulele concert will now be held on **Friday 31st March at 2.15pm**. Thank you to Mr Reed for accommodating this change. We know this will be a wonderful way to finish our term.

Missed Guitar and Ukulele Lessons Thursday 9th March - As Mr Reed was absent this Thursday, missed lessons for that day will be made up over the next two weeks.

School Choir (Years 4, 5 and 6) - It's been wonderful to welcome new members to choir this term. Please email Mrs Vaughan if you'd like to join. Choir takes place on Mondays after school - 3.30pm - 4.30pm.

Music Lessons in School - Please remind your children to put their instruments in the music room on the day of their lesson and to collect them at the end of the day. We have a lot of instruments being left in the music room all week. Please also ensure your child's instrument is clearly labelled.

If your child is struggling to practice at home in between lessons, remember even 5 minutes 4 times a week will make a huge difference. We are happy to provide guidance, we know how hard it can be.

If your child wishes to **stop learning an instrument** in school, please email Mrs Vaughan no later than **Friday 17th March** as we have to give notice to amend our contract with the Music Service.

If your child is interested in **starting an instrument** (Year 3 upwards) or joining the school choir (Year 4 upwards), please email Mrs Vaughan music@bournvillevillageprimary.org.uk.

If your child is not in school on the day of their lesson but you feel they are well enough to receive an online lesson, **please email their instrument teacher the night before**. The teacher will then send a link on Microsoft teams.

Our instrumental teachers are happy for parents to contact them about their child's progress and emails can be found on the school website under *learning/curriculum/music*.

For music lesson payment queries please email finance@bournvillevillageprimary.org.uk and for general music queries email music@bournvillevillageprimary.org.uk



On behalf of our friends at Selly Manor Museum we are delighted to be hosting the “*Untold stories women in the arts and crafts movement symposium*”.

The event will take place on Thursday 16th March starting at 6.30 until 8.30 pm.

Please book via the Selly Manor website or by following the link below.

Money raised will support Women’s Aid.

<https://sellymanormuseum.org.uk/events/2023-03-16/untold-stories-women-in-the-arts-and-crafts-movement-symposium>

Action for Happiness – Mindful March 2023

Mindful March 2023

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
			1 Set an intention to live with awareness and kindness	2 Notice three things you find beautiful in the outside world	3 Start today by appreciating your body and that you're alive	4 Notice how you speak to yourself and choose to use kind words	5 Bring to mind people you care about and send love to them
6 If you find yourself rushing, make an effort to slow down	7 Take three calm breaths at regular intervals during your day	8 Eat mindfully. Appreciate the taste, texture and smell of your food	9 Take a full breath in and out before you reply to others	10 Get outside and notice how the weather feels on your face	11 Stay fully present while drinking your cup of tea or coffee	12 Listen deeply to someone and really hear what they are saying	
13 Pause to watch the sky or clouds for a few minutes today	14 Find ways to enjoy any chores or tasks that you do	15 Stop. Breathe. Notice. Repeat regularly	16 Get really absorbed with an interesting or creative activity	17 Look around and spot three things you find unusual or pleasant	18 Have a 'no plans' day and notice how that feels	19 Cultivate a feeling of loving-kindness towards others today	
20 Focus on what makes you and others happy today <small>dayofhappiness.net</small>	21 Listen to a piece of music without doing anything else	22 Notice something that is going well, even if today feels difficult	23 Tune into your feelings, without judging or trying to change them	24 Appreciate your hands and all the things they enable you to do	25 Focus your attention on the good things you take for granted	26 Choose to spend less time looking at screens today	
27 Appreciate nature around you, wherever you are	28 Notice when you're tired and take a break as soon as possible	29 Choose a different route today and see what you notice	30 Mentally scan your body and notice what it is feeling	31 Discover the joy in the simple things of life			

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For Information about this position please contact:

Denise Barker (service manager)

Or

Mary Wright (deputy Service manager)

On 0121 415 6107



Autism Services for All

All Age Autism Service Directory

What is the AAA Service Directory?

A new, searchable website to support autistic people, their families and parents/carers across Birmingham & Solihull.

www.aadirectory.co.uk

The Service Directory has been co-produced with *Experts by Experience* to provide a single point of access for support services, enabling you to search for services by area or key words.

What can you find on the AAA Service Directory?

- A range of different support services for autistic people, their families and parents/carers
- Referrals for grant organisations
- Local event information
- Details of support groups
- Newsletters
- Articles
- Podcasts

Contact Us

The Service Directory is continually evolving so please get in touch if you can't find what you're looking for or wish to make suggestions.

If you would like your organisation to be featured or know of an organisation that should be included, we'd love to hear from you.

www.aadirectory.co.uk/contactus

Welcome to the All Age Autism Service Directory

Search Support Services Here

You can search support services that are available within Birmingham and Solihull or scroll down to select a category



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Autism Services for All

All Age Autism Grants

Assisting small and voluntary organisations that provide support services for autistic people and their parents, families and unpaid carers.

- Grants are available to support a range of activities that are aimed at helping individuals lead happier, healthier and more independent lives.
- The grants average between £5,000 and £20,000 with the actual amount dependent on the service being provided.
- Applications can be made online until January 2024

Who can apply for a grant?

The programme is funded by NHS England, managed by Birmingham and Solihull ICB and Landau Limited. Applications are invited from:

- Third sector organisations
- Private organisations
- Unpaid carers

Who can you work with?

- Autistic people – diagnosed or undiagnosed people of any age
- Family members of autistic people
- Parents
- Unpaid carers

To find out more and apply, simply visit: www.allageautism.co.uk



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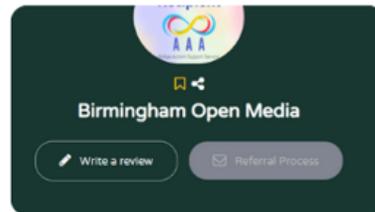
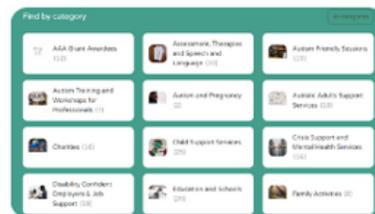




Autism Services for All

Our new referral process

- 1 Visit the AAA Service Directory at www.aadirectory.co.uk
- 2 Scroll down and select the first category **AAA Grant Awardees**
- 3 Choose the organisation you wish to refer yourself/someone else to
- 4 Click on **Referral Process** at the top of this page
- 5 Complete the short form & click **Send Message**
- 6 The person being referred will be contacted directly by the AAA Grant Awardee



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