



Welcome Back

A warm welcome back to all members of our school community. It has been wonderful to see our pupils return to school ready for a new year of learning. They have quickly settled back into school life and have been reminded of our key values: Be Kind, Be Fair, Be Safe and Be Ready to Learn.

This year, our whole-school focus is 'gratitude!' Through assemblies, class discussions and songs, pupils are reflecting on the importance of being thankful for the many positive things in our lives. We have been discussing how having a grateful heart can support both our mental wellbeing and physical health, helping us to develop a positive outlook and stronger relationships with others.

We encourage you to continue these conversations at home by asking your child what they are grateful for each day.

Thank you for your continued support as we begin another successful year at Butts Primary School.

Every Moment in School Counts

At Butts Primary School, we aim for every child to achieve good attendance of **96% or above**.

The higher a child's attendance, the more likely they are to make good progress in their learning and achieve their full potential.

Regular attendance also helps children to:

- Build strong friendships
- Develop confidence and social skills
- Feel part of the school community
- Establish positive routines and habits for the future

Arriving at school on time is equally important. Lessons begin promptly at 8:55am, with our daily reading and English lessons starting straight away. Children who arrive late may miss vital learning opportunities and important instructions that support their progress throughout the day.



National Fitness Day

Our school celebrated National Fitness Day, a day dedicated to recognising the importance of physical activity and healthy lifestyles.

Our whole school community gathered on the playground to take part in a fun fitness session led by our fantastic Sports Ambassadors. The session included a range of energetic activities such as star jumps, burpees and lunges, with everyone joining in enthusiastically.

Remember, being active every day helps us to stay healthy, feel positive and be ready to learn. Keep moving and keep active!



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Roald Dahl Day

As part of our commitment to celebrating literature and connecting with the wider world, we marked Roald Dahl Day by celebrating one of the most beloved children's authors of all time.

Pupils enjoyed a special assembly led by Mrs Khalique, who shared part of the story of the famous Fantastic Mr Fox and asked the children to create a character to outsmart the farmer

We were delighted by the creativity and imagination shown in the entries, with pupils producing a wonderful range of unique and inventive characters. Well done to all who took part, and congratulations to our winners, who received a Roald Dahl book, certificate and sweets as prizes.

It was a fantastic day that encouraged a love of reading, storytelling and creativity across the school.



Germ Detectives in Year 2

Year 2 enjoyed an exciting science lesson all about germs and how they spread. As part of their investigation, the children dipped their hands into glitter, which represented germs, and then shook hands with their friends. They quickly saw how the "germs" spread from person to person, helping them understand how easily germs can be passed on. This fun and engaging activity highlighted the importance of good hygiene and regular hand washing to help keep everyone healthy.



Forest School is a much-loved activity enjoyed by pupils across the school,

Year 5 pupils recently enjoyed making pollinator seed bombs using recycled paper, water and wild flower seeds.

The pupils will be taking their seed bombs home to plant during the autumn months. They will bloom into beautiful wildflowers in the spring, helping to provide an important source of food for bees.



We would like to thank all parents and carers who attended the **Purple Mash workshop**. We encourage you to log in and make use of the wide range of free educational resources available to support your child's learning at home.

All pupils have been provided with their own login details. If you would like any further information or support accessing Purple Mash, please contact your child's class teacher.



Key dates for your diary

- 12.10.26** Harvest food bank food donations open (last day **15.10.26**)
- 22.10.26** Y6 Black Country Museum visit
- 23.10.26** **Target Day** (school open to pupil and parent appointments)
- 26.10.26—30.10.26** Half term **SCHOOL CLOSED**

