



# The Anchor News

Serving the local community in the name of Christ since 1859

Lord,  
Give me a heart  
to serve others.

7th October 2022

#LearningforLifeAnchoredInChrist

Our values focus this half term

Service



Hello,

I am Mrs Price and I am the Year Three teacher and the SENDCo for the school.

It has been a busy week at school and all of the children have been enjoying their lessons and getting the chance to take part in another Enrichment lesson. Have you asked your child what new skill they are learning in Enrichment?

It is getting much colder now so make sure all the children have a warm coat to bring to school with their name in. The nights are also getting darker now so make sure you all keep safe when walking to and from school.

Don't forget, the children are all learning and using Makaton symbols at school. New ones are added to the newsletter every week so have a practice of the new signs together.

I hope you all have a wonderful and safe weekend.

See you next week!



Mrs Price - SENDCo and Class Teacher

## Important Diary Dates

Thursday 20th October  
School Harvest Festival

24th - 28th October  
October Half Term

Monday October 31st  
- School Closed -  
Teacher Training Day

Thursday 3rd November  
- School Closed -  
Teacher Training Day

### Order Deadline for FREE Delivery to School and Exclusive Prices

This week we had photo day and sent home your order form as seen below.

Please be aware that if you would like to order any photos and get **FREE delivery to school** the order deadline is next week **THURSDAY 13th OCTOBER**.

You can order after that but will need to pay a small delivery fee.



### Urgently Needed Items:

Long Life Fruit Juice or Squash  
Tinned Fruit  
Tinned Fish  
UHT Milk  
Chocolate & Sweets  
Vegetarian Tins  
Pasta Sauce  
Toiletry Items

Please note: we have plenty  
of Baked Beans/Tinned  
Spaghetti and Pasta

### 2 weeks till our Harvest Festival

We are carrying out our annual Harvest drive for Aston & Nechells Foodbank. We know it has been a tough year for everyone, however, anything you could spare to help those less fortunate in the local area would be greatly appreciated.

Donations can be sent into school anytime between now and our **Harvest Festival on Thurs 20th October**.

We have had some concerned children in school this week, they are worried and a little afraid of the police incidents in the past week or so and other activities they see daily, in the local area.

Whilst we are trying to support them in school, we wanted to make you aware so you can look out for and recognise when your child might need a chat or some reassurance from you.



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# Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.

Attendance for all classes should be greater than 96%. Lets see which classes can get higher than the target!

Rec - 84%  
Year 1 - 85%  
Year 2 - 94%  
Year 3 - 94%  
Year 4 - 90%  
Year 5 - 94%  
Year 6 - 88%

No classes this week achieved or passed the target ☹

## Punctuality

Punctuality is also very important. Below you can see how many children have been late in each class this week.



Rec - 4  
Year 1 - 2  
Year 2 - 5  
Year 3 - 3  
Year 4 - 5  
Year 5 - 1  
Year 6 - 3

A few classes were close to all arriving on time, but not quite.



- Don't forget -

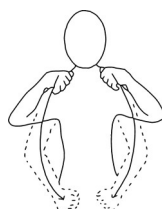
*It is important to say the words while doing the sign.*



**Autumn**



**Cold**



Mime putting coat on over shoulders, show appropriate length

**Coat**

## UNICEF Rights of the Child



### Article 32: Protection from harmful work

Children have the right to be protected from doing work that is dangerous or bad for their education, health or development. If children work, they have the right to be safe and paid fairly.

## ATTENTION Year 6 Parents...



**Birmingham City Council**  
**Secondary School Applications OPEN**

Parent's, applications for Secondary Schools in Birmingham are currently open. Please make sure that you complete your child's application by the deadline (31st October 2022)

For more information please visit <https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions>

## Safeguarding: Knife Crime

'Just 30 seconds can change a life - The choice is yours'

**#LifeorKnife**

The life or knife website is aimed at all young people, parents and teachers. It provides you with information on where to report or talk to someone about knives and where you can anonymously dispose of knives. It also includes lots of information on the devastating impact knives can have to you and others, guidance on how to talk to your child about knives, and resources that can be used in schools. This year the Chief Constable and the Police and Crime Commissioner pledged there would be 'a conversation with every child,' in the West Midlands about knife crime. Backing up that pledge is a new campaign from the force. The #lifeorknife campaign, which has been informed by the region's school children, teachers, police officers, doctors, paramedics and members of the Police and Crime Commissioner's Youth Commission, encourages children to talk about knife crime with parents, teachers and peers.

In England, it is illegal to:

- ◆ Sell a knife to anyone under 18, unless it is a knife with a folding blade that is three inches long or less
- ◆ Carry a knife in public without good reason, unless it is a knife with a folding blade that is three inches long or less
- ◆ Carry, buy or sell any banned knife
- ◆ Use any knife in a threatening way, even if it is a legal one

More information can be found by visiting <https://lifeorknife.west-midlands.police.uk/>

At the academy we educate pupils about Knife Crime through our PSHE and Personal Development Sessions. Also, we work closely with our PCSO Team and NHS Services to provide our pupils with a range of information about making good choices and the impact of knife crime. Sessions in KS2 are delivered by our PCSO Team and school staff together and we provide training for staff in tackling this issue and support people impacted by knife crime.

If you would like further information regarding how we educate pupils on this matter, then please see a member of SLT.



Just **30** seconds can change a life

**The choice is yours**

### Star Pupils

None as they are still settling in ☹

Ziar & A. Adam

Aina & Izaan

Victoria & Aaban

Mikaeel & Innas

Arooj & Eesa

Safiyyah & Musa