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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a lovely week at school! Thank you to all of you who came back to school last night for our 'Festival of Lights'. Once again it was wonderful to see so many families there. I hope you enjoyed it and I also hope that those of you who attended the workshops enjoyed that too.

I would like to also let you know that we have said goodbye to one of our staff this week. Miss Perry has left us for a role outside of schools. She has been with us for over 25 years and been a key part of our SEN provision as well as leading our after school club. We thank her for all of her work and wish her the best of luck in her new job.

Following the news this week, we have taken the decision to remove David Walliams books away from the library and class book corners. If there are any at home, please return them.

Mr Higgins

Parents' Evenings

As a reminder Parents' Evening will take place on **Wednesday 18th November and Wednesday 25th November 2026**. Appointments are by prior booking only, with each appointment lasting 10 minutes. If you have not yet returned your appointment slip, please do so by **Monday 16th November**.

Please note that children should still be collected from school at the usual time of 3.15pm. If your child is booked into After School Provision, the sessions will take place in the Nursery building on these two dates only. Children attending Year 5–6 After School Multisports should be collected at 4.15pm and will be dismissed from the ramp entrance. Thank you for your cooperation.

Community link with St Albans Community Centre

Unfortunately, the wonderful BUDS centre had to close its doors at the end of last term. We feel very strongly that the children really benefitted from this experience so we have been lucky enough to make a new link with St Albans in Smethwick. This is a day centre for elderly clients as well as a foodbank. Our first group of children will be going next week to meet the clients and take part in activities. If you would like to find out about it, this link has a lovely video that will show you what the centre provides.
https://stalbans-cc.co.uk/elderberries/

Sandwell School Nursing - Healthy Lifestyle Support

The Sandwell School Nursing Team are seeking the opinion of our parents and carers about healthy lifestyle support for your children and families.

We have been asked to share a short survey QR code with parents and carers which we would be grateful you took a few moments to complete.
Survey link:



Closing date: 4 December 2026

The team previously held healthy lifestyle drop-in sessions, and they would now like to understand what families would find most helpful and how they would prefer to access support. This could include online advice, one-to-one support, group sessions or community-based activities.

The feedback will help the team plan support that meets the needs of local families.

Many thanks for your help!

Year 2-6 Gymnastics After School Club – Places still available



There are still places available in our Gymnastics After School Club, which is now open to children in **Years 2–6**! The club takes place every Thursday from **3.15pm – 4.15pm** in the Top Hall. The cost for the remaining five sessions until we break up at the end of term is **£15.00**. If your child would like to take part, please contact the school office to secure a place. Places are limited, so please get in touch as soon as possible!

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School Photographs



School photograph orders have now arrived in school and have been distributed to your child's class teacher. These will be sent home with your child this evening.
If you were expecting to receive an order but it has not arrived, please contact the school office. Thank you!

Frank Chapman - 26th-30th April 2026

We still have a few places left for the Year 3/4 residential trip to Frank Chapman in Bewdley. The cost is £286 which includes all activities and meals. This year school has covered the cost of the transport to bring the cost down. It is a fantastic opportunity for the children to take part in a wide variety of adventurous activities as well as gain some independent skills. If you are interested in your child taking part please pay a £50 non refundable deposit via parent pay or contact the school office for a letter with a barcode to make payment. The remainder of the cost has been split into month instalments to enable parents spread the cost should they wish.

If you would like any more information please come and talk to Mrs Waterworth. She will have an information stand in the top hall on parents evenings.

Young Voices

Just a reminder to the parents of children who are in the choir. The deadline for you to order tickets on the website is the 15th November and T shirts are the 30th November.

Langley Primary School Nursery

Building a better future together!

Basic Skills Quality Mark Award



15 & 30 hours funded childcare for your 3 – 4 year old

Session times: Morning 8.30am – 11.30am Afternoon:12.15pm – 3.15pm

With additional lunchtime and wraparound care if required

Please contact the school office for further information and to obtain an application form

www.langleyprimary.com

Titford Road, Oldbury, West Midlands B69 4QB

Telephone: 0121 552 1744 Email: enquiries@langleyprimary.com

Places available for January 2027

Nursery – can you help!

After Christmas during Spring term one, the children in Nursery will be learning all about People Who Help Us!

We will be exploring the different jobs people do in our community and learning how they help to keep us safe, healthy and happy.
We would love to invite any parents or family members who might be willing to come into Nursery to talk to the children about their job.

This would be a fantastic opportunity for the children to learn first-hand about different occupations and perhaps see some of the special equipment or uniforms used!
We are particularly interested in hearing from anyone who works as a:



If you, or someone in your family, would be happy to come in and share your job with us, we would be very grateful!

Please speak to Mrs. Lane in Nursery if you are able to help.
Thank you for your continued support. We are really looking forward to an exciting half-term learning about all the wonderful people who help us!

Sandwell Family Hubs

Helping Families Thrive

The Family Hub mobile spoke will be visiting Langley Primary School on **Tuesday 17th November**. It will be on playground from 2:30pm to 4.30pm. There will be a range of services including:

- Mobile Library
- Family Hub staff to provide advice and information about the services available.

Do pop in and say hello!

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Pupil Parliament
We have another exciting themed day coming up this month!

Odd Socks Day
Next week on Friday 20th November, we will be having 'Odd Sock Day' to support Anti-Bullying Week. Children can wear their brightest, most mismatched socks as we take part in special activities throughout the week to promote kindness, respect, and individuality!

Poppy Appeal
A big thank you to all the families who supported the Poppy Appeal last week. The Royal British Legion will contact us in the near future to let us know how much we have raised. – Thank you once again.

Children In Need
A huge thank you to all the parents who have generously donated to our Children in Need collection so far. We are delighted to have raised an amazing **£252**! so far. Your kindness and generosity are greatly appreciated and will help make a difference to children in need. If you have not yet had the opportunity to donate and would still like to contribute, donations can be made via the payment request in your child's ParentPay account. Thank you once again for your wonderful support!

HAF Vouchers
We have been notified that Sandwell HAF (Holiday Activities and Food) vouchers will soon be sent out to families who are eligible for benefit-related Free School Meals due to low household income under the "**targeted category**". If you are eligible, you will receive an email or text message containing a unique code. Please keep this code safe, as you will need it to book your child's free holiday activities.

As a reminder, Sandwell Council will no longer be providing supermarket vouchers for families entitled to free school meals, so the HAF programme is a great way for children to access fun activities and nutritious meals during the holidays free of charge.

There are lots of exciting options to choose from across Sandwell, so to find out more and book activities for your children, please visit: holidayactivities.sandwell.gov.uk/about/.

Upcoming Christmas Dates
Our Christmas calendar is beginning to fill up with lots of exciting events! Further information about each event will be shared closer to the time. However, the dates of the events confirmed so far can be found at the end of this newsletter under **'Important Dates'**. We wanted to share these with you in advance to give families plenty of time to plan ahead and arrange time off work where necessary. We look forward to celebrating the festive season with you all!

In Class this Week

A Big Thank You! From the Nursery Team
A big thank you to all the parents who have provided a PE kit for their child. Your support is greatly appreciated!
The Nursery Staff are so proud of how hard the children are trying with developing their independence skills. It is lovely to see them becoming more confident and independent each day!
Please continue to encourage your child to put their own coat on and off, and practice dressing and undressing independently at home. Little opportunities to practice these skills make such a big difference and help to build their confidence.
Thank you, as always, for your continued support!

Year Three
Year Three has had a busy couple of weeks since being back at school. We enjoyed our Design and Technology day when we explored seasonal vegetables, designed and made our own seasonal tart which the children thoroughly enjoyed and learned some important skills that they could help you with in the kitchen such as peeling and cutting carefully and safely.

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Their ukulele lessons are in full swing and the children love their weekly session, hopefully you will be able to hear them play in the upcoming performance.
In English we are writing a report about 'How to survive in the Stone Age' and in maths we have been practising addition and subtraction.

We will be sending some spellings home please try and practise these as much as you can, as well as reading with your child and signing their diaries. We have noticed this has begun to dip and whilst we try to listen to them read in school as much as possible, your support is greatly appreciated.

Year Four
Year 4 have had a fantastic week with lots of things happening in our classrooms. This week has been the last swimming session for 4SB, they have made fantastic progress over the last 9 weeks and we are very proud of their achievements. 4NN starts next week and we are sure they are going to be just as good!

On Wednesday, we had a cricket company come in to teach us how to play cricket. In writing we are writing about Viking Gods Thor and Loki and in maths we are practicing our addition and subtraction. Please can you support our times table work by encouraging the children to go on TT Rockstars.

Please remember the children need PE kits on Wednesday and 4NN can wear theirs on Thursday for swimming.

Important Dates

Date	Time and Event
18 Nov 2026	Parents Evening – by appointment
20 Nov 2026	Anti Bullying Odd Socks day
25 Nov 2026	Parents Evening – by appointment
7 Dec 2026	9.15am Cello Christmas Concert
8 Dec 2026	9.15am Reception Nativity
9 Dec 2026	Christmas Lunch
10 Dec 2026	2.15pm Reception Nativity
11 Dec 2026	Yr 3 Ukulele concert 2.30pm
11 Dec 2026	Nursery Christmas Performance 11.00am – 11.30am
11 Dec 2026	Nursery Christmas Performance 2.45pm – 3.15pm
15 Dec 2026	KS1 Christmas Performance 9.15am
16 Dec 2026	Child of the term 9.00am
16 Dec 2026	KS1 Christmas Performance 2.15pm
18 Dec 2026	School closes 3.15pm for Christmas holiday
4 Jan 2027	School closed teacher training
5 Jan 2027	School opens 8.40am Spring term 1
12 Feb 2027	School closes 3.15pm for Half term holiday
22 Feb 2027	School opens 8.40am Spring term 2
25 Mar 2027	School closes 3.15pm for Easter holiday
12 April 2027	School closed teacher training
13 April 2027	School opens 8.40am Summer term 1
28 May 2027	School closes 3.15pm for Whitsun holiday
7 June 2027	School opens 8.40am Summer term 2
21 July 2027	School closes 3.15pm for Summer Holiday