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Dear Parent/Guardian,

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Welcome back to the new school term and a Happy New Year to you all.

The children have settled back into the school routine quickly and are full of energy and ready for the challenges ahead. As always your continued support at home will help them achieve their best.

Attendance – 'Wise Up'

Our 'Wise Up' Campaign for Autumn 2016 resulted in 66% of the children receiving a Gold or Silver certificate representing attendance of over 95% - very well done to all those children who achieved this.

'Wise Up' has begun for the Spring term so everyone potentially has the chance to get a Gold or Silver certificate for this term!

Please do remember that school starts at 8.55 am and it is important that children are 'on time in the line' so as to avoid an unsettled start to the day.

We still have a number of children consistently arriving after the beginning of school.

Our Education Social Worker, Corrinne Atkin, continues to work with those families whose children's attendance is low, with the aim of supporting them to bring about improvements.

Unfortunately, if despite this support attendance continues to be an issue, then court action becomes necessary.

Extreme Weather

A reminder of arrangements in the event of school closure. The procedure will be:

- 1) Listen to local radio stations, Heart FM, Radio WM and Free Radio who will be informed of school closures and will announce the closure on air and update their websites of the closures.
- 2) We will use the Groupcall texting service to send a text to you - please ensure your mobile is turned on and we have your up to date mobile details in school. (please could you notify school if you have not been receiving group texts we have previously sent)
- 3) Check the school website and the Birmingham City Council disruption website.

Parentview

Each year we ask you to complete a few short questions about the school.

The 12 questions give an opportunity to give feedback about the school.

Please visit the Ofsted Parent View website at www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk to register and complete the questionnaire. (Many of you will already be registered if you completed the questionnaire last year – you will just need your password).

You will also be able to view in graph form the results for the school when over 15 replies have been received.

Please do remember that this is one way to give feedback but we are also here to speak to if you have a concern or you want to tell us what went well – thank you in anticipation.



Water Mains work

We have been informed by Severn Trent of works to be done to renew water mains in the local area. This will have implications for many of the roads surrounding the school over a number of months. We have supplied you with a timetable of the works and the roads affected so that you can plan for any interruption of your normal route to and from school.

Hopefully the works will not cause too much disruption.

School Uniform

Please remember that children should now be wearing our Winter uniform of:

Boys

Grey Trousers, white school shirt, St Wilfrid's blue school jumper, school tie, grey socks, black sensible shoes

Girls

Grey skirt, pinafore or grey school trousers, white blouse, school tie, St Wilfrid's blue school cardigan/jumper, white/grey socks or tights, black sensible shoes.

School ties can be purchased from the school office – £2 for elasticated ties and £3 for normal ties. Please do ensure that you label your child's clothing as we have a lot of lost property, especially jumpers and cardigans in our lost property area.

Congratulations

Many congratulations to the Miley family on the birth of Jacob and the Murray family on the birth of Alexis – what wonderful Christmas presents!

Have a good weekend

R Baker and staff

