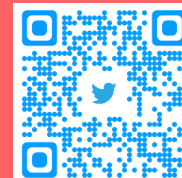




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03/10/2025

Hello everyone

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend Parents' Evening this week, it was lovely to welcome our **#thorntonfamily** into school to celebrate the children's achievements and to hear who they have settled into their new class. For those parents/carers who haven't had chance to speak with the class teacher yet, you **still have chance to book an appointment for this Wednesday 9th October 3.45-6.15pm** using the SchoolCloud link emailed to you. If this link does not work, or you can't find it, please pop into the main Reception and we will gladly help you make an appointment.



A BIG thank you to the Year 5 children and staff for being excellent ambassadors representing the school on their trip to the **National Space Centre** in Leicestershire this week. We are very proud of you!

Other important dates coming up...

Wednesday 8th October 3.45-6.15pm — Parents' Evening for all

Friday 10th October — 4AA & 4NG visit to Buddhist Temple

Monday 13th October — 4SH & 4TW visit to Buddhist Temple

Friday 17th October — Year 6 Black Country Museum trip

Thursday 23rd October—Year 4 Buddhism Assembly

Finally, **if you use a car to bring or collect your child from school**, please pay careful attention to where you park for the safety of the children. **It is illegal to park on the double yellow lines, yellow zig zags, double parking and red areas painted on the road. It is illegal because the most important thing is to keep everyone safe.**

Thank you.

Have a great weekend everyone!

Cathy Grace, Headteacher



Does your child feel....

WORRIED? SAD? ANGRY?

Compass Birmingham MHST

We can help your child with things like:

- Anxiety
- Low Mood
- Sleep
- Worry



YOUR MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM (MHST) WORKS IN YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL TO SUPPORT THEM



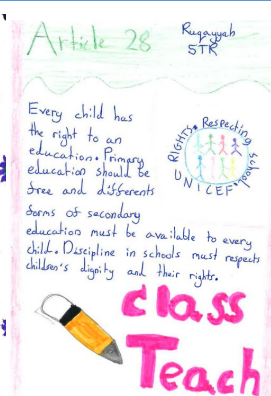
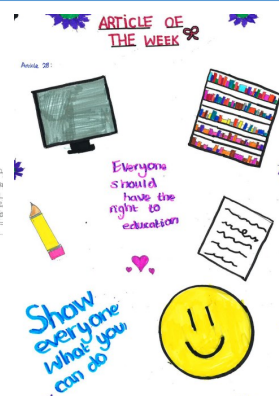
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<https://compass-uk.org/services/compass-birmingham-mhst/>

ARTICLE OF THE WEEK

5TR have been looking at Article 28. **Article 28: I have the right to an education**

Governments should make sure children can get an education without it costing their family money. Schools should respect my dignity. Children should be able to stay in secondary education as long as they want.



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We are really pleased to be working closely with **COMPASS** again this year so we can make sure our children get all the support they need in school.

We have invited **COMPASS** to run some special **parent/carers workshops**, as well as workshops for our children. Please take a moment to see what is on offer and which of the parent/carers workshops you would like to attend across the year (you are very welcome to attend them all!):



Date	Parent/carers workshop	Pupil only workshop
Monday 22nd September 9-10am	Introduction to COMPASS— coffee morning	Monday 15th September—Y3 new transitions pupil workshops
Friday 10th October		World Mental Health Day Assemblies for all pupils
Wednesday 12th November 8.45-9.30am	Bullying	Y5 Anti-bullying pupil workshops
Monday 8th December 8.45-9.30am	Healthy Sleep	Y4 Resilience pupil workshops
Monday 19th January 8.45-9.30	Connecting with your child	Y5 self-esteem pupil workshops
Friday 13th February 8.45-9.30am	Online Safety	Online safety day workshops and assemblies for all pupils
Tuesday 17th March		Y3 Behaviours workshops for all pupils
Friday 17th April 8.45-9.30am	Y6 SATs Anxiety	Y6 SATs anxiety pupil workshops
Monday 18th May 8.45-9.30am	Building Self-esteem	Y4 Building self-esteem pupil workshops
Friday 12th June		Y6 Transition pupil workshops
Monday 22nd June 8.45-9.30am	Supporting your child with worries	Y5 Worries pupil workshops







COMPASSIONATE CAFE

A safe space for you to express your feelings around grief and find comfort that you are not alone.

COME AND JOIN KANIZ AND ENJOY A CUPPA AND A CHAT WITH OTHERS WHO HAVE ALSO EXPERIENCED LOSS AND GRIEF.



EVERY FRIDAY 9:30AM-11AM

CONTACT 0121 3269983 FOR MORE INFORMATION

ST MARGARET'S CHURCH, ST MARGARET'S ROAD, WARD END, BIRMINGHAM, B8 2BA



Please scan the QR code to visit the Unity Hubb website to find out what is happening in October!







Men's Group

SEPTEMBER 2025 Programme

Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Mondays at Village Green or Allotments 10am-12pm
Tuesdays at The Unity Hubb or Allotments - 9:30am - 11:30am
Wednesdays at The Unity Hubb & Allotments - 10:15am-11:15am on 10am-2pm

Please let us know if you have any skills, gifts and talents that you would like to share with everyone, come and talk to us!



Tuesdays

9:30am - 10:30am
Hot 'Cook yourself' Breakfast (Food and drink provided)
10am - 11:30am

2nd September - Welcome back with arts & crafts and puzzle books

9th September - Walk in the park

16th September - Cooking

23rd September - Dhol Drumming

30th September - Darts and Carrom Tournament

The Unity Hubb, St Margaret's Church, St Margaret's Road, Ward End, B8 2BA and Ward End Allotments

Mondays

8TH, 15TH, 22ND, 29TH

GREEN TEAM WITH FAITH FOR MEN & WOMEN
10AM-12PM

ALLOTMENTS/VILLAGE GREEN

Wednesdays

10:15am - 11:15pm

CHAIR EXERCISE

LOW IMPACT CHAIR-BASED EXERCISES FOR IMPROVED HEALTH, STRENGTH, MOBILITY INCLUDING HEALTH AND WELL-BEING GROUP DISCUSSION.

UNITY HUBB

ALLOTMENTS WITH FAITH FOR MEN & WOMEN
10AM-12PM

ALLOTMENTS

The Unity Hubb, St Margaret's Church, St Margaret's Road, Ward End, B8 2BA and St Margaret's Road Allotments, Ward End




For further information please contact Imran on 07508893155

School Attendance



Class Attendance

Well Done to **3SQ**, **3MJ**, and **4SH** for achieving our school attendance target of 97% and above for last week!

Our school attendance last week was 92.7 %

A huge well done to class 4SH for achieving the school attendance target for Four consecutive weeks!

The class received a surprise visit from Mrs Grace and were awarded a £25 gift voucher to purchase new classroom resources.



PE TIMETABLE

Monday 6th October
Year 5

Tuesday 7th October
Swimming for 4TW and 4AA.

Wednesday 8th October
Year 4

Thursday 9th October
Year 6

Friday 10th October
Year 3

Attention all Year 6 Parents! Secondary Transfer 2026

Applications for your child's secondary school place in September 2026 are now live on the following website: <https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions> The online application is very simple and quick but if you need support completing the form please contact the school office to arrange an appointment. The deadline for the application is **31/10/2025**



Healthy Packed Lunch

Please ensure you send your child to school with a healthy packed lunch consisting of a:

Healthy Sandwich
Piece of Fruit
Yogurt
Healthy drink (not fizzy or energy types!)



Strictly NO NUTS are allowed in school as we have children with severe nut allergies. Please do not send your child to school with unhealthy Packed lunches such as crisps and chocolates. **Thank you for your support.**

Contact Form

If you have not already done so, we urgently need you to **complete and return the contact form** that were sent out at the start of this year.

Please return the updated contact form to your child's class teacher immediately so we can safeguard your child. Thank you.



Parent Pay

Could you please ensure that all Dinner, Breakfast and Afterschool club debts have been cleared at the start of each week. If you need any support with payment please contact the school office for support. Thank you.

Dinner money and Club money must be paid in advance via Parent Pay, thank you.

Dinner money is £2.70 per day and £13.50 per week.

Breakfast Club is £2.50 per day and £1.00 for any siblings.

After school club is £4.00 per day and £2.00 for any siblings.

There is a late pickup charge (£4) for pupils picked up after 4pm.



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