



## Principal's message

As we move into the summer months, and improved weather, we have adjusted our curriculum and routines so that the children benefit from learning outdoors, and beyond the classroom. This will benefit both mental and physical wellbeing, as well as increase children's knowledge and skills.

We have already had adventure days on the field; as well as 'Commando Joe' challenge missions, all of which contribute to building children's character strength. The Year 1 children have visited Stonebridge Farm and Reception children will soon be going for a day out to Wollaton Park. We have also sent out letters to see who will be joining us for the Big Year 2 Sleepover when we will make full use of our fabulous school grounds for sporting and play activities.

We have invested in several reconditioned bikes and balance bikes for our Early Years Foundation Stage children as well as new helmets. Our aim is that all our children can ride a bike by the time they leave reception. Children are currently kick-starting their cycling project with lessons from Bikewise instructors, who are in school this week. It's a great project, and I've loved watching the children making quick progress towards riding two wheelers with their instructors today.

We have a new poly-tunnel, where Mrs Bond and her gardening groups are planting and tending their seedlings, and contributing to children's knowledge about where their food comes from, and learning the importance of pollinating insects in this process.

All year groups are now playing outside as year group cohorts at playtime and lunchtime. There is plenty of space and equipment for them, so we see this as an opportunity to build and extend friendships, in time for moving to new classes in September.

Ms Bromley

## Upcoming Diary Dates:

26th May	Yr6 Alton Towers
27th May	The Queens Jubilee Street Party
9.5.22-13.5.22	KS2 SATs
16.5.22-20.5.22	KS1 SATs
6.6.22-10.6.22	Y1 Phonics screening checks
29th June	Reception Wollaton Park Trip
11.7.22-15.7.22	Sports Day week
15th July	Yr2 Sleepover
26th July	Year 6 Leavers Party
27th July	Last day of term (Wednesday)

Thank you for doing so much reading at home with your children – we have certainly created a reading culture in our school, and children are able to articulate all that they love about reading and how important it is to them.



Remember that we have a new school uniform for September 2022. All children will receive two new polo shirts, branded with the new school logo, and a red school sweatshirt, also branded with the school logo. Sizing and distribution days will be on 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> June – timings to follow. Children must wear white polo-shirts from September – the red polo-shirts may no longer be worn for school. Black P.E. kits will also be available for purchase – all children must have plain black P.E. kits in September.

# Good Luck

Good luck to all our Year 6 and Year 2 pupils who are taking their SATs tests between today and half term. They have all worked really hard, and done a lot of catching up after missing so much. If they now simply try their best, we can ask no more.