

Newsletter

Wylde Green Primary School

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September 2026



Welcome Back!

We have had a wonderful start to the new academic year. It is so lovely to have everyone back, and to see the school buzzing with the energy and enthusiasm of our children...and staff! Everyone is settling happily into their new classrooms and routines, and there is already such a positive atmosphere across the school. What a great start — we really do start as we mean to go on!

We have sixty new Reception children joining us this term, along with pupils who have joined classes across the school. We extend a very warm welcome to all of these children and their families as they become part of our kind, caring and supportive community. We are delighted to have you with us.

This term has certainly got off to a flying start and is already proving to be one of our busiest yet. We have held parent workshops in Year 1 and Year 2, sharing routines and expectations for the year ahead. We have also celebrated our new Year 6 Head Boys and Girls, together with our Deputy Head Boys and Girls, and Year 3 have enjoyed a wonderful 'French Afternoon'. It has been fantastic to see so many children embracing new opportunities and taking on new responsibilities with such enthusiasm.

As always, please check our key dates and events carefully. There is lots happening this term, and we want everyone to feel well-prepared and able to take part in all that school life has to offer.

We are looking forward to a happy, exciting and successful term, filled with learning, opportunities and memorable experiences for our children. Thank you, as always, for your continued support and for working in such close partnership with us. Together, we can ensure that our children have the very best possible start to the year.

Here's to a fantastic term ahead!

Mr Hamilton-Martin

Monday 14th September 09.00	Year 4 Times Table Parent Workshop
Friday 25th September 14.00	Macmillan Coffee Afternoon
Tuesday 29th September	Hampton Court Palace trip for Year 4
Tuesday 29th September 09.00	Year 2 Reading Workshop
Tuesday 6th October	Selly Manor trip for Year 2
Wednesday 7th October 09.00	Reception phonics workshop
Thursday 8th October 14.00	Y5 Harvest Festival at Emmanuel Church
Tuesday 13th October	School Photos (Individual and Families)
Wednesday 14th October 09.00	Y1 Phonics Workshop
Wednesday 21st October	Parents' Evening
Thursday 22nd October	Parents' Evening
Thursday 22nd October	Last Day of half-term for pupils
Friday 23rd October	Inset day/Teacher Training
Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October	Autumn Half-Term

Attendance

Last year, our attendance was 95.4%. Our whole school target for this academic year is 96.5%. We would love to achieve this. If your child/ren are not in, we cannot educate them, and they miss vital parts of a carefully planned curriculum journey. Please help us improve attendance this year. We ask that **medical appointments** are made during school holidays or outside of school hours if possible. We have noticed that attendance drops at the end of each term. Please note we are **not able to authorise holiday** taken during term time and we ask that you work with us to ensure your child is in school right up until the last day of term. Thank you in advance for your support with this for this academic year. We are really looking forward to the year ahead.

A big thank you to the majority of parents who make sure their children attend school regularly, particularly during the current cost of living crisis impacting families.

Your efforts, working in partnership with the school, will ensure that your child will have the best chance to achieve their academic potential and have real opportunity in further education and the world of work. It will also enable your child to:

- access the lessons needed to achieve their expected grades
- maintain friendships and develop new ones
- have access to social and sporting events offered by the school
- explore potential careers
- develop work habits such as good punctuality which are essential to thrive in the world of employment

How does your child compare?

Attendance during one school year	equals this number of days absent	which is approximately this many weeks absent	which means this number of lessons missed
95%	9 days	2 weeks	50 lessons
90%	19 days	4 weeks	100 lessons
85%	29 days	6 weeks	150 lessons



Wylde Green Primary School continues to work in partnership with parents and the Local Authority to improve school attendance.

Summer Works

We are delighted to share some of the work that has been undertaken on our school site over the summer holiday. As many of you will have seen, the windows on the south side of the school have been replaced, improving both ventilation and insulation.

This was not a decision we took lightly, given the history and character of our school building. However, we are delighted with the result and feel that the integrity and character of the building have been carefully preserved. The new windows look fantastic and will provide a much-improved environment for our children and staff.

We have also had our beautiful wooden floors refurbished. It has been decades since these floors were stripped back and revarnished, and the result is amazing. You will certainly notice the difference when you attend a Superstar Assembly or one of our workshops. It is wonderful to see these parts of our school looking as good as new.



Year 3 French Afternoon

Today, Year 3 began learning French with an afternoon of French games, crafts and food tasting. First, the children learnt about the geography of France and the French flag. They then had fun playing a game using their knowledge of the days of the week in French. The best part had to be when they tasted croissants and pain-au-chocolats which they described as 'delicieux'. It has been a wonderful afternoon and a great start to studying French at Wylde Green. *Tres bien travail.*

Mrs Wheeldon

**BOOK NOW TO
RESERVE YOUR SPACE
FOR SEPTEMBER!**

*"My son thoroughly enjoys
his class. The activities are
always fun and he is quickly
picking up French phrases."*

*"My daughter LOVES this class.
Amy delivers French in a fun and
enjoyable way. Thank you"*

(Wylde Green parents)

We learn French
while having lots of fun
through songs, games,
activities
and stories!



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**AFTER SCHOOL FRENCH CLUB
AT WYLDE GREEN PRIMARY**
3:30 to 4:30pm
Mondays (Years 1&2)
Wednesdays (Years 3 to 6).
£6.50 per class (plus 2% booking
fee), payable per block in advance.
Next block is 6 sessions -
14th September to
19th October.



MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT

Better days together

Coffee
Cake
Community

MACMILLAN COFFEE AFTERNOON

Friday 25th September
2.15pm



Join us in school for a coffee
and cake to raise funds for
Macmillan Cancer Support.



Cake donations from parents
would be most welcome,
please send in to school
on Friday morning.



Now the new term has started, if any parents of pupils with Special Educational Needs (SEN) have any worries about their child's new school year or their current provision, Mrs Jennings is happy to chat these through. Please contact the school office to arrange a telephone or face to face appointment.

Supporting Our Families – West Midlands Multibank

We are pleased to let families know that our school has now registered with West Midlands Multibank. West Midlands Multibank is a regional community initiative dedicated to redistributing surplus goods from businesses to families in need across the West Midlands. Operated by Birmingham Voluntary Service Council (BVSC) in partnership with local charities, voluntary groups, and public-sector organisations, the West Midlands Multibank has provided over 1,000,000 essential items to over 100,000 households to date. These range from clothing, household goods and toiletries, to toys and school kits—free of charge at the point of distribution. If you feel your family could benefit from this support, please speak to Mr Bannister or the school office.

September 2026 Wellbeing update from Togetherness

Togetherness is an online learning environment developed by psychologists and health practitioners providing accessible learning about emotional health and wellbeing, proven to positively impact mental health, behaviour and relationships. This update includes ways to help your child as they prepare for their return to school, as well as understanding your child's emotions and knowing how to respond.

Setting Parental Safeguards

Setting parental safeguards on your child's devices

If you're viewing this on a screen, tap (or click) the appropriate icon below.

If you're looking at this on paper, point your phone's camera at the appropriate QR code and tap the link that appears.

Follow the instructions on the website exactly, in particular setting the age of the child.

We recommend you set the device not to allow *any* apps or games to be installed without your permission.

Protect your settings with a strong password that is not known to the child.



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