



Kinver Primary Federation Newsletter



March 7th 2017

Message from the Headteacher

I would like to start by thanking you for attending our recent parent evenings, I hope you found them useful. We also have parent 'drop in' sessions on March 13th/14th and May 23rd/24th so please take advantage of these if you would like further opportunities to come into school and discuss the progress of your child. Thank you also for supporting our recent 'dress up' days, the children looked great and we applaud the effort everyone put into their costumes, hopefully your child will remember these special days for years to come. Finally, I am looking forward to seeing many of our children in The Jungle Book at Kinver High later in the month. This is the first time all three Kinver schools have worked together on a drama production, I hope you will find time to support your children and their friends.

Jason Willetts - Headteacher

Mother's Day

On Friday 24th March we are inviting the mother of each pupil (or a significant female in the child's life) to come into school to celebrate Mother's Day. The adult joining us needs to be female but can be a grandmother, aunt, family friend, neighbour etc. if the child's mother is unable to come.

Brindley mums are invited to join us from 9.30am to 10.45am and Foley mums from 2pm to 3.10pm.

The children love working with adults from outside of school on occasions such as this and we hope that the majority of children will be able to have someone with them. If on the day, a child does not have a female adult with them, we will put them in a small group with a friend and their mum so that they don't miss out.



Can you help us please?

Staff and governors very much appreciate the support we receive from parents for the work we do in school. Over the course of the academic year we have used various ways to get your views on what we are doing well and any suggestions for improvements.

As parents, one way of telling us what you think of our schools is to log on to 'Parentview' on the Ofsted website at <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login>

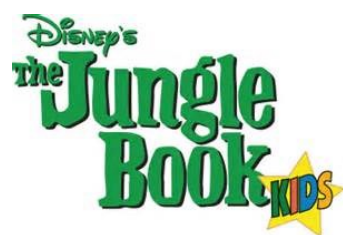
You will need to register/log in to use the Parent View service.

Please take a few minutes to fill in a questionnaire, we appreciate your time.



The Jungle Book

Foley, Brindley and Kinver High have joined forces to produce The Jungle Book which will take place at Kinver High on March 22nd, 23rd and 24th at 7pm. Tickets are on sale from the school offices priced at £5 for adults and £3 concessions.



Comic Relief

On Friday 24th March, the same day as our Mothers Day celebrations, it is Comic Relief. Over the years our school community has been very keen to raise money for this great cause, so we will once again be doing so this year. In light of the fact that we have recently had two major dressing up days for World Book Day and our Victorian Day, we are simply going to have a silly sock day for Comic Relief. Children and staff will be encouraged to wear a pair of silly socks with their uniforms and clothes in exchange for £1 which will be sent to the charity.



February Attendance Figures

Foley Infant School

Hazel	94.9%
Willow	97.2%
Cedar	92.7%
Palm	94.8%
Maple	96.4%
Beech	96.3%
Total	95.4%

Brindley Heath Junior School

3P	95.9%
3F	98.3%
4J	97.8%
4B	96.3%
5E	97.1%
5M	98.5%
6M	96.9%
6H	97%
Total	97.2%

Well done to 5M and Willow for being our February attendance champions!

Parking at Foley

In the last week I have been informed of a number of incidents in Fairfield Drive which concern me greatly. It appears that a few parents and carers are parking and driving very inconsiderately which in turn is putting the safety of our pupils at risk. I do believe that one parent has contacted the police about a particular incident which happened last Friday. Can I remind you that no-one should be parking on double yellow lines (unless they have a disabled pass) or be parking outside of school when dropping off or collecting their child. The Scout Camp, which is located off The Compa, kindly open their car park for us to use and I would encourage as many parents as possible to park there when coming to school. I know that we all lead very busy lives but we do need to be mindful that very young children make their way up and down Fairfield Drive to our school, and the actions of a minority are putting their safety in jeopardy.

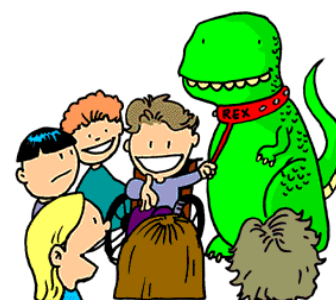


Please be realistic about texts

Our text message service is great, but please remember it is a computer system which staff log into to send and receive messages, it is not manned 24 hours a day so please don't expect an immediate response to your texts.

Power Projects

Many thanks for your ongoing support for the Power projects. Can I remind you that these are not compulsory but are learning activities which you and your child might like to undertake at home and are linked to the topic which is currently being studied in school. Each time, the staff try to give the children and yourselves a range of different learning activities that you may wish to do, however it is not meant to be a list for you to plough through. The children do enjoy bringing projects into school and sharing their learning and we appreciate the effort that goes into doing them outside of school hours.



Active Kids is Back

Once again both schools are collecting Active Kids vouchers from Sainsburys.

Please place your vouchers in the boxes outside the school office.

Many thanks!



Kinver Primary Federation Dates for Your Diary

Weds 8 th March	Foley Connect (afternoon session for EYFS parents/carers only)/Foley Disco
Mon 13 th March	Foley Parents Drop in 4pm – 6pm
Tues 14 th March	Brindley Parents Drop in 4pm – 6pm
Tues 28 th March	Foley Film Night
Fri 24 th March	Mothers Day celebrations (9.30am - BHJS, 2pm – Foley)
W/c 27 th March	Y6 Mock SATS week
Thurs 30 th March	Brindley Discos
Fri 7 th April	9.30am Y5 Easter Play/Last day of Spring Term
Monday 24 th April	First day of Summer Term
Thursday 27 th April	Brindley Film Night
Mon 1 st May	Bank Holiday—schools closed
W/c 8 th May	KS2 (Y6) SATS week
Tues 23 rd May	Foley Parents Drop In 4pm – 6pm Chasewater meeting for Y6 Parents 6.30pm
Thurs 25 th May	Brindley Parents Drop In 4pm—6pm
Monday 29 th May to Friday 2 nd June—Half Term Holiday	
Monday 5 th June	Schools Closed—Staff Training Day
W/c Mon 12 th June	Y1 Phonics Check test
Fri 16 th June	Fathers Day celebrations (am – Brindley, pm – Foley)
W/c 19 th June	Y6 Chasewater Residential
Tues 20 th June	6.30pm Foley Induction evening
Thurs 22 nd June	6.30pm Brindley Induction evening
Fri 30 th June	Induction Day
W/c 3 rd July	Fitness week
Thurs 6 th July	Reports to parents
Fri 7 th July	Fun on the field/Sports Day (am – Foley, pm Brindley)
Tues 11 th July	Brindley Parents Drop In 4pm – 6pm & Arts Festival
Weds 12 th July	Foley Parents Drop In 4pm – 6pm & Arts Festival
Fri 14 th July	Reserve Sports Day
Weds 19 th July	Foley Y2 Graduation 5pm to 7pm
Thurs 20 th July	Y2/3 and Y4/5 discos Brindley
Mon 24 th July	Brindley Leavers Presentation 6pm
Tues 25 th July	School finishes – Balloon Race at Foley

