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Headteacher's Roundup

As the first half of the autumn term draws to a close, it has been wonderful to see how well the children have settled into their new classes and routines. The enthusiasm, kindness, and curiosity shown across the school have made for a fantastic start to the academic year.

This term has been filled with exciting learning opportunities both inside and outside the classroom. Year 5 visited the Gurudwara, where they learned about Sikh beliefs, traditions, and the importance of community and service. Year 4 enjoyed a fascinating visit to the Buddhist Vihara, where they deepened their understanding of Buddhism and explored the values of peace and mindfulness. Year 1 had a wonderful trip to Sudbury Hall, bringing their history learning to life as they explored the museum and discovered what life was like in the past.

Our after-school clubs have been thriving, with a wide range of activities on offer - including sports, dance and chess. It has been fantastic to see so many children taking part, developing new skills, and building friendships beyond the classroom.

Can we kindly ask that you complete the online consent form for your child's flu vaccination. The flu vaccine helps protect your child and others from getting sick. Filling out the form online is quick and easy. Check your email or school messages for the link and complete it as soon as possible.

Please can I remind parents that the school day begins promptly at 8:30am. Arriving on time ensures that children are ready to start their learning and make the most of every opportunity the day brings.

Thank you to all families for your continued support. Wishing everyone a restful and enjoyable half-term break.

Mrs S McMahon

Headteacher

Reminders

All children should be in school for 8.30am



Term Dates

AUTUMN 2 2025

Monday 3rd November

- Friday 19th December

~ HALF-TERM ~ Monday 22nd December -
Friday 2nd January 2026

SPRING 1 TERM 2025

Monday 5th January 26

- Friday 13th February 26

~ HALF-TERM ~ Monday 16th February -
Friday 20th February 26

SPRING 2 TERM 2025

Monday 23rd February - Teacher Training
Day

Tuesday 24th February 26

- Friday 27th March 26

~ HALF-TERM ~ Monday 30th March -
Friday 10th April

Diary Dates

Friday 24 th October	Break up at 3.00pm for Half Term	
Monday 3rd November 2025	Children return to school.	
Monday 10 th November 2025	Anti-bullying and Odd Sock Day	Children can come to school wearing odd socks.
Thursday 13th November 2025	EYFS Open Day – 9am – 5pm	Parents are invited to look around our Reception for the 2026 intake.
Monday 17 th November	All school Flu Spray Immunisation Day	Please ensure you have completed the online form.
Thursday 20th November	Reception trip to the Cinema	Children must wear their uniform to school.
Friday 21 st November 2025	Children in Need Day	Children can come to school in their own clothes and we will be raising money throughout the day with various activities.
Thursday 4th December	EYFS Open Day – 9am – 5pm	Parents are invited to look around our Reception classes for the 2026 intake.
Monday 8 th December	Year 3 and 4 Visit to the Pantomime	Children must wear their uniform to school.
Wednesday 10th December	Year 1 and 2 Visit to the Pantomime	Children must wear their uniform to school.
Thursday 11 th December 2025	EYFS Nativity	2:15pm in the Junior Hall
Friday 12th December 2025	KS1 Nativity	2:00pm in the Junior Hall
Tuesday 16 th December	Year 5 and 6 Visit to the Pantomime	Children must wear their uniform to school
Tuesday 16th December 2025	Reception and Nursery Parties	Children in these year groups only can come to school in their own clothes. Please ensure they wear sensible footwear.
Wednesday 17 th December 2025	Year 1, 2, 3 and 4 Parties	Children in these year groups only can come to school in their own clothes. Please ensure they wear sensible footwear.
Thursday 18th December 2025	Year 5 and Year 6 Parties	Year 5 and Year 6 children only can come to school in their own clothes. Please ensure that they wear sensible footwear.
Friday 19 th December 2025	Christmas Jumper Day	Children can come to school in their Christmas jumper.
Friday 19th December 2025	Break up at 1.30pm for Christmas Holiday.	
Monday 5 th January 2026	Children return to school.	
Monday 23rd February 2026	Teacher Training Day	School closed to all children
Tuesday 24 th February 2026	Children return to school.	



What time does school start?

School starts at 8:30am.

Parents/carers should aim to arrive at school at 8:25am so that once the doors are open at 8:30am, children can make their way into their classroom, enjoy the breakfast snack that is being offered and prepare themselves for the day ahead.

This is a really important part of the school day and allows children to settle, join their class friends and make the most of every moment.

Being late results in children having to enter a classroom when everybody else is settled and learning has already begun- this often causes distress and worry.

PLEASE HELP YOUR CHILD BY GETTING THEM TO SCHOOL ON TIME AT 8:30AM EVERY DAY.

Uniform Hub

Each Wednesday between 8:15am and 8:30am, 'The Elsie Carter Room' will be opened to all Parents/Carers, please come along if you require uniform for your children as we have all sizes. **There is no cost for this uniform.** Please pop over and use this facility. We have lots of uniform in many sizes available.

Reception and Secondary School Applications

Year 6 parents have until **31st October 2025** (during half term) to submit your child's secondary school application form, this needs to be completed via the council website that you pay your council tax to.

All Nursery parents MUST apply for a Reception place by the **15th January 2026** to attend our school Reception. Should you require support with this, please make an appointment at the main school office and we will happily assist you with this.

Don't forget to book one of our Reception Open Days with the office!

Please download the My Child At School App

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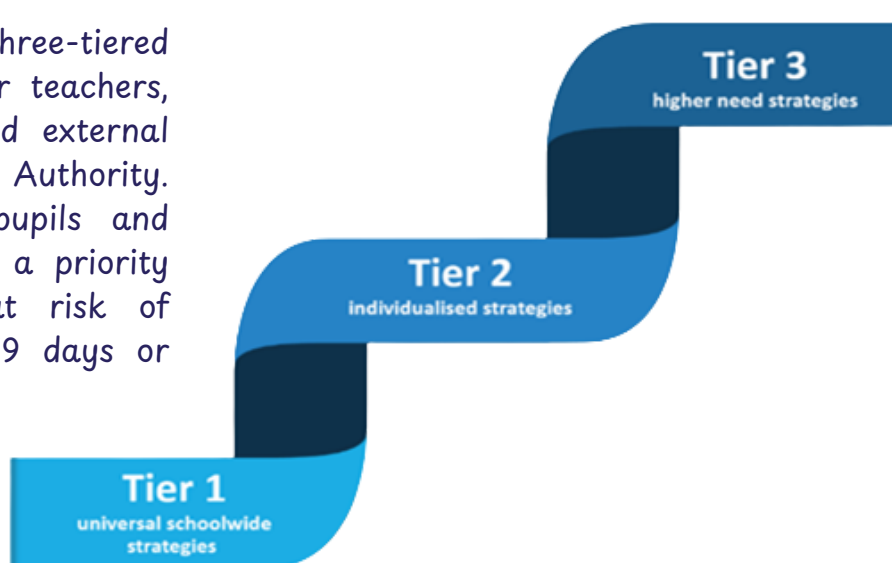
Attendance

Pupils should be at school, on time, every day the school is open, unless the reason for the absence is unavoidable.

Severne Primary School is proudly recognised as an Inclusive Attendance school. Our unwavering commitment to attendance centres around child-centric actions, evidence-informed practices, and a shared understanding of everyone's roles and collective responsibilities to promote exceptional attendance.

Severne Primary School uses a three-tiered approach which outlines roles for teachers, the school, children, parents, and external agencies - including the Local Authority. This approach is to support pupils and families to ensure attendance is a priority and reduce pupils who are at risk of persistent absence (absent for 19 days or more within an academic year).

The three-tiered approach can be found on our website in the Parent Zone- Attendance.



Please work with us to ensure your child attends school every day and receives the education they deserve to enable them to succeed in life.

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SAFEGUARDING

For school holiday support in Birmingham, parents can contact:

Children's Advice Support Service:

Provides support and advice regarding children's welfare. They are available during the week and also have an emergency out-of-hours service.

- Monday to Thursday: 8:45 am to 5:15 pm
- Friday: 8:45 am to 4:15 pm
- Emergency out-of-hours: 0121 675 4806

NSPCC:

Offers a helpline for child protection and welfare concerns.

- 0808 800 5000

Domestic Violence Support:

Birmingham City Council provides support for domestic violence situations.

- 0121 303 0368 or 0121 303 0369

Gateway Family Services:

Offers early help services.

- 0121 456 7821
- email: earlyhelpedgbaston@gatewayfs.org



Please like our Facebook Page to keep up to date with what's going on in school

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Severne Primary School Uniform Policy



Uniform is **compulsory** including PE uniform. It's smart, comfortable and practical. It can be bought from most supermarkets.

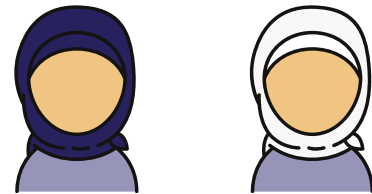


Boys - Navy blue sweatshirt, white shirt or polo shirt and grey trousers. For the summer months, grey school uniform shorts are acceptable.

Girls - Navy blue sweatshirt or cardigan, white shirt or polo shirt and grey skirt. Girls may also choose to wear grey trousers. Dark blue check gingham dresses may be worn during the summer months.



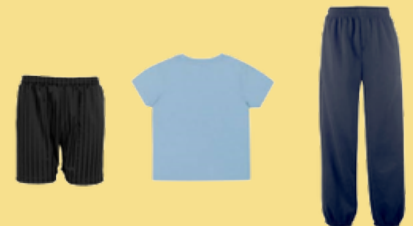
Shoes - Must be black school shoes or trainers
(All items should be plain without logos or decorations.)



If headscarves are worn, they should be plain blue or white which are in keeping with uniform colours.

PE

- plain (no logos) pale blue T-shirt or polo shirt
- Plain navy blue school shorts
- Plain (no logos) navy blue joggers/jogging suit for colder days



All children must have appropriate footwear and socks, it is recommended that younger children should have plain black Velcro fastening pumps or black trainers for easy access.

SWIMMING

Boys: trunks must be swimming trunks and not summer shorts.

Girls: swimsuits must be one-piece suits and not 2-piece bikinis.

Please note: full body swimsuits (burqini) are permitted swimwear alternatively; lycra leggings and leotard can be used. Swimming caps are advisable but not essential.

All swimwear to be navy blue or black if possible.

JEWELLERY

Jewellery is **NOT** permitted in school. Children are allowed to wear stud earrings only, there should be **NO** loops or drop earrings. This is to ensure the safety of our children in the playground.



PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) OCTOBER HALF TERM 2025

moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free



ANGUS STEAKHOUSE

Kids under 8 eat FREE daily, 12pm to 5pm

ASDA

Kids eat for £1 daily, with no adult spend

ASK ITALIAN

Kids under 10 eat for £1 during school holidays

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main

BILLS

Kids Eat Free weekdays, 27th - 31st October 2025

BREWDOG

1 Kid eats free with 1 adult. Scotland 13th - 17th Oct
England & Wales 27th - 31st Oct

BURGER KING

From 13th Oct - 2nd Nov, Kids Eat Free (via app)

CHIQUITO

Kids eat FREE Daily 27th - 31st October

COCONUT TREE

Kids eat FREE Daily Mon 27th Oct - Sun 9th Nov 2025

DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES

Kids eat for £1 with an adult breakfast or lunch

FARMHOUSE INNS

2 Kids eat free From Mon 6th - Fri 17 Oct
(Scotland) & Fri 17th - Fri 31 Oct (England & Wales).

FLAMING GRILL

1 Kids eats free, Mon 13th - 20th Oct (Scotland) &
Mon 20th - Fri 31 Oct (England & Wales)

FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 10 eat FREE all day, every day

HUNGRY HORSE

2 Kids eat free From Mon 6th - Fri 17 Oct (Scotland)
& Fri 17th - Fri 31 Oct (England & Wales).

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

LAS IGUANAS

Kids under 12 eat FREE with 'My Las Iguanas' App

MARCO PIERRE WHITE

Kids under 12 Eat FREE daily with an adult spend

MORRISONS

Kids Eat FREE all day, every day with a £5 spend

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids eat FREE with every £4 spend all day

PREMIER INN

2 kids eat for free with 1 adult breakfast

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free with 1 paying adult

PUREZZA

Kids under 10 get free pizza with every adult meal

SA BRAINS PUBS

Kids eat for £1 on Wednesdays

SIZZLING PUBS

Kids eat for £1, Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm

TABLE TABLE

2 Kids Eat free breakfast daily with 1 paying adult

TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free with any adult meal (Via App)

THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE Sundays with £10 spend

TRAVELODGE

2 kids eat for free with 1 adult breakfast

WHITBREAD INNS

2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

YO! SUSHI

Kids eat free all day (weekdays) in school holidays