

A message from Mrs Naffati

I hope that you have all had a wonderful time during our sunny summer break. It has been lovely to see everyone again and welcome you all into school over the past few weeks. Children in Year 1 and 2 have been very studious and calm which is brilliant to see. Our newest children are settling in well and we welcome you all to our New Invention Infant School family. I hope you will enjoy your child's learning journey with us over the next few years - if you have any questions just ask. We have many events planned for the first half of the Autumn Term so below are some dates for your diary.

Reminder - No backpacks

Just as a reminder to our communication at the end of July we no longer have space for backpacks in school. All children **MUST** have a reading folder (book bag) instead and should carry their water bottle separately (so books are not damaged). No other bag is needed. Spare clothes should be in a pump bag and left in school on your child's peg. If any family have difficulties please come to the school office. Reading folders can be purchased from **Clive Mark school wear shops** and myclothing.com

Get ready for the weather

As the weather is constantly changing at the moment please ensure your child has a coat and clothing suitable for unexpected rain every day.

Drop-off and Collection Routines

Morning Nursery open at 8.25am and are closed at 8.35am after this time you will need to take your child to the school office to register them as late. Collecting morning Nursery the gates open at 11.25am and are closed at 11.35am after this time you will need to collect your child from the school office with a reason as to why you are late.

The main playground for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 - gates are open onto the playground at 8.40am with senior staff on hand to take messages. As soon as your child goes through the gate or up the ramp please step back for other children to go into school safely too. Morning gates **will then close promptly at 8:55am** when teachers take the register in class - if you arrive at the gates after this time you will need to go to the school office to sign in as late, even if there is a staff member there. All senior staff are teaching at 9.00am themselves and must get back with messages to get to class on time themselves.



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Afternoon Nursery open gates at 12.25pm and these are closed at 12.35pm after this time you will need to take your child to the school office to register them as late even if there is a staff member there. Collecting afternoon Nursery the gates open at 3.25pm and are closed at 3.35pm after this time you will need to collect your child from the school office with a reason as to why you are late.

Home time main playground - There is a staggered collection to ease congestion on the playground. **ONLY RECEPTION PARENTS** on the playground first **all other year groups please wait by the entrances on to the playground until you are called**. This ensures our youngest children get to

their parents safely which is harder with lots of other parents on the playground. When you come onto the playground to collect your child please make sure you **join the queue for their class** so every parent/carer can be seen by their child's class teacher.

**Reception will leave first from 3.15pm (Y1 & Y2 parents wait until your year group is called)
Year 1 are next (all Y2 parents must wait until called by a staff member with posters)
Year 2 then follow at around 3.25pm which is our official home time.**

Keeping information up to date

If there are any changes to yours or your child's details then this must be updated e.g.:-home address, email, telephone number, collection list, medical changes etc. You can pop into the School Office or email school postbox@invention-i.walsall.sch.uk. This will help to make sure that all records are up to date and that we can contact you in an emergency.

Medical Information and Injuries at home

If anything changes for your child - new medication, referrals to hospital departments, new allergies or a change of their medical needs we ask you to tell school **immediately** so we are always up to date with the correct information. You can talk to Mrs Banks at the School Office or speak to the class teacher at the end of the day when all children have been dismissed.

If your child has an accident or injury at home you **MUST** tell a staff member on the gate when your child goes into school - this is to ensure our Safeguarding procedures are always followed and injuries explained. A follow up phone call may still occur if we need further details.

If your child has a significant injury e.g. broken arm etc outside of school we must complete a detailed Risk Assessment before your child can return to school. For this reason the earlier you contact us to let us know the better so the necessary information can be shared and safety plans put in place. Your child will not be able to be in school until this Risk Assessment has been completed.

We are a nut-free School

Due to the nature of some complex allergies children have in school our policy is to be 'Nut-free'. This includes no Nutella spread (other nut-free chocolate spread is available), no snack bars with nuts. We understand many products say 'may contain nuts/nut traces' these are fine to be in lunchboxes.

We are a Cashless School

For a few years now we have been a Cashless School all activities, events, trips etc. are paid for via the School Gateway App. If you have any queries please pop in to the School Office or call the Office on 01922 710871.

Cashless is the same for Tuesday's Little Puzzlers Toddler Group too - sessions are all paid via Bank Transfer or via the Gateway App.

Training Days for 2025-2026

Monday 1st September 2025







Monday 3rd November 2025



Monday 5th January 2026










Monday 1st June 2026

Monday 20th July 2026

Forthcoming Events

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<p style="color: #0070C0;">Thursday 25th September <u>All Year Groups</u></p> 	<p>Harvest - Children in Year 1 and 2 will have a special assembly this morning with church leader Mr Lloyd from Grace Church Wolverhampton. The children will learn about food, sharing and helping others as part of Harvest Festivals. Our younger children in Reception and Nursery will watch videos and share stories linked into Harvest. We are also asking for Harvest Foodbank donations from all children during this week. Any donations of canned food, packet food, toiletries, bottles of squash/pop/long life milk will then be passed on to New Invention Hub at The Square - which is our nearest support centre.</p>																																			
<p style="color: #0070C0;">Tuesday 30th September <u>Year 1</u></p> 	<p>Parent Reading Workshop - Year 1 - 9-10am Come and join your child for a phonics and reading session this morning. See how your child learns to recognise and read sounds in words and how we work on developing comprehension and fluency. Pick up some top tips for supporting their reading at home by learning with them in their lessons today!</p>																																			
<p style="color: #0070C0;">Wednesday 1st October <u>All Year Groups</u></p> 	<p>Black History Month - During the month of October, our children across school will be taught about Black History Month at an age appropriate level through looking at identity, music, culture and influential people in Britain and the wider world. Mrs Naffati will lead lessons, share stories and set activities for the children across school throughout this time. On Wednesday 1st October children are invited to come to school wearing something red, yellow or green for the Black History Month Logo.</p>																																			
<p style="color: #0070C0;">Thursday 2nd October <u>Year 2</u></p> 	<p>Parent Reading Workshop - Year 2 - 9-10am Come and join your child for a phonics/reading session this morning. See how your child learns to apply sounds to read words and how we work on developing comprehension and fluency. Pick up some top tips for supporting their reading at home by learning with them in their lessons today!</p>																																			
<p style="color: #0070C0;">Friday 3rd October <u>Year 2</u></p>	<p>Pirate Day - Year 2 Year 2 children are invited to come to school in pirate-themed outfits or fancy dress! Children will enjoy a range of activities during the school day.</p> 																																			
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	<p>All children will be set the challenge of going to visit a library in their own time during the week. Anyone who manages to visit can post a photo at the library on Seesaw and they will be sent for a special sticker and to be entered into a draw to win a book!</p>
<p>Thursday 9th October Reception</p> 	<p>Parent Reading Workshop - Reception - 9-10am Come and join your child for a phonics session this morning. See how your child learns to recognise sounds, say them and begin to put sounds together to read words. Pick up some top tips for supporting their reading at home by learning with them in their lessons today!</p>
<p>Monday 13th October All Year Groups</p> 	<p>Parents Evening 3.45pm-5.30pm - parents are invited to contact the class teacher via email to book a time slot (addresses below). We would ask parents to be as flexible as they can with times. The meeting will be in the school hall if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2. Nursery parents will have their meeting in Nursery. Each slot is for 5 minutes per child; if times go over you will be asked to continue the meeting on the phone at a later date.</p>
<p>Teacher contact details: - These are the details below to contact your child's class teacher. Please bear in mind we have a 48 hour window for teachers to return emails to parents, so please email queries in plenty of time for a reply.</p> <p>Nursery Ladybirds - Miss Wood - lwood@invention-i.walsall.sch.uk Nursery Caterpillars - Mrs Imran - rimran@invention-i.walsall.sch.uk Nursery Bumblebees - Mrs Davis - sdavis@invention-i.walsall.sch.uk</p> <p>Reception Leopards - Mrs Batth - mbatth@invention-i.walsall.sch.uk Reception Tigers - Miss Raybould - braybould@invention-i.walsall.sch.uk Reception Lions - Miss Falvey - kfalvey@invention-i.walsall.sch.uk</p> <p>Year 1 Seahorses - Mrs Ishaq - sishaq@invention-i.walsall.sch.uk Year 1 Stingrays - Mrs Verney - lverney@invention-i.walsall.sch.uk Year 1 Jellyfish - Miss Shinton - vshinton@invention-i.walsall.sch.uk</p> <p>Year 2 Monkeys - Miss Salter - csalter@invention-i.walsall.sch.uk Year 2 Bears - Mrs Hughes - ahughes@invention-i.walsall.sch.uk Year 2 Dolphins - Miss Gee - agee@invention-i.walsall.sch.uk</p> <p>Penguin Class - Mr Craig - acraig@invention-i.walsall.sch.uk</p>	
<p>Tuesday 14th October Year 1 and Year 2</p>	<p>Harvest Festival at Holy Trinity Church - Year 1 and Year 2 parents and families are invited to Holy Trinity Church from 9.30am to celebrate Harvest. Children have learnt songs and poems to share. If anyone can walk to the church with their child's class this will be appreciated - please inform your teacher if you can.</p>
<p>Thursday 16th October All Year Groups</p> 	<p>Parents Evening 5.00pm-6:30pm - parents are invited to contact the class teacher via email to book a time slot (addresses above). We would ask parents to be as flexible as they can with times. The meeting will be in the school hall if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2. Nursery parents will have their meeting in Nursery. Each slot is for 5 minutes per child; if times go over you will be asked to continue the meeting on the phone at a later date.</p>

<p>Friday 17th October <u>All Year Groups</u></p> 	<p>Photographer - The school photographer will be coming to take all individual pictures of our children today. <u>NO PE or PE CLOTHES TODAY</u> please.</p> <p>If you wish to have a family photo with brothers and sisters from ours or any other school these can be taken <u>after school only</u> in the school hall. Please queue on the car park but be aware that staff will be going home at this time so please keep your children next to you at all times.</p>
<p>Tuesday 21st October <u>Year 1</u></p> 	<p>Autumn Disco & Spooky story session 3.30pm-4.30pm £2 per child on the Gateway app</p> <p>Children can wear anything on the themes of Halloween (a costume), Autumn (coloured outfits) or Bonfire/Diwali (bright, sparkly or traditional dress) today. Children attending will be taken to the hall by their teachers.</p> <p>Parents please collect from the playground at 4.30pm from the usual spot.</p>
<p>Wednesday 22nd October <u>Reception</u></p> 	<p>Autumn Disco & Spooky story session 3.30pm-4.30pm £2 per child on the Gateway app</p> <p>Children can wear anything on the themes of Halloween (a costume), Autumn (coloured outfits) or Bonfire/Diwali (bright, sparkly or traditional dress) today. Children attending will be taken to the hall by their teachers.</p> <p>Parents please collect from the playground at 4.30pm from the usual spot.</p>
<p>Thursday 23rd October <u>All Year Groups</u></p> 	<p>Flu Vaccinations - 9:00am - 12:00pm</p> <p>Vaccination UK will be in school for the morning, to administer flu vaccinations to all children.</p> <p>If you do not wish for your child to receive the flu vaccination, please contact Walsall Immunisation Team directly on 01922 902035.</p>
<p>Thursday 23rd October <u>Year 2</u></p> 	<p>Autumn Disco & Spooky story session 3.30pm-4.30pm £2 per child on the Gateway app</p> <p>Children can wear anything on the themes of Halloween (a costume), Autumn (coloured outfits) or Bonfire/Diwali (bright, sparkly or traditional dress) today. Children attending will be taken to the hall by their teachers.</p> <p>Parents please collect from the playground at 4.30pm from the usual spot.</p>
<p>Friday 24th October <u>Nursery</u></p> 	<p>Autumn Disco & Spooky story session will take place during the Nursery session. No charge for this event. Children can come to school wearing anything on the themes of Halloween (a costume), Autumn (coloured outfits) or Bonfire/Diwali (bright, sparkly or traditional dress)</p>
<p>Friday 24th October <u>Reception, Year 1 & Year 2</u></p>	<p>Non-uniform today - we ask for a donation of £1, payable via School Gateway.</p>
<p>Friday 24th October <u>All Year Groups</u></p>	<p>Break up for half term today at normal time.</p> 
<p>Monday 3rd November <u>All Year Groups</u></p>	<p>Training day for teachers - no children in school today.</p> 
<p>Tuesday 4th November <u>All Year Groups</u></p>	<p>All children return to school.</p> 

Wednesday 5th November <u>Nursery</u>	Nursery Learn Together Sessions - 10:00-11:00 & 14:00-15:00 Come along and join your Nursery child for Learn Together! Bumblebee class parents/carers should attend the relevant AM or PM session. Caterpillar and Ladybird class parents/carers can attend either session.
Friday 7th November <u>Year 1</u>	Victorian Day - Year 1 Year 1 children are invited to come to school in Victorian-themed outfits or fancy dress! Children will enjoy a range of activities during the school day.