



New Road Primary and Nursery School

# Headteacher Update

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Dear Parents, pupils, and staff,

An incredible week for our school! Forty children had the opportunity to go to Birmingham Arena, for Young Voices 2026 and our very own molly dancers did an amazing job at the Straw Bear Festival.



## Our Wonderful Molly Dancers

We would like to extend a heartfelt **thank you to Miss Whitehand and our school's talented Molly dancers** for their outstanding performance at this year's **Straw Bear Festival**. Their enthusiasm, teamwork, and dedication shone through in every step, bringing energy and colour to one of our region's most cherished traditions.

Under Miss Whitehand's expert guidance, the group performed with confidence and joy, representing the school beautifully. Many festival-goers commented on how delightful it was to see young dancers taking part and helping keep this important piece of local heritage alive.

We are incredibly proud of all the pupils involved.

## Young Voices 2026

We would like to offer a heartfelt **thank you to Mr Allen, Mrs Hibbins and Miss Littlechild** for their commitment, enthusiasm and hard work in preparing our school choir for **Young Voices at the Birmingham Arena**.

Week after week, they have given their time to run choir practices, helping the children learn new songs, grow in confidence and experience the joy of performing together. Their encouragement and energy have made rehearsals a highlight for many pupils.



An **up-to-date** list of future term dates is below. Thank you for supporting our school we are proud of your children and all they achieve.

## Future Dates

Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January	Table Tennis Tournament
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	Hockey Competition @ SHS
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Children's Mental Health Week 2026 'This is My Place'
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 5 and 6 Pancake Race and Service, St Mary's Church, 1.45pm
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	School closed, training day
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> February	Half term
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> February	Holiday Club at Park Lane <a href="mailto:comeandplay.holidayclub@gmail.com">comeandplay.holidayclub@gmail.com</a>
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> February	Holiday Club at Park Lane <a href="mailto:comeandplay.holidayclub@gmail.com">comeandplay.holidayclub@gmail.com</a>
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Year 5 and 6 visit to Imperial War Museum, Duxford, FREE
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5 and 6 Swimming Gala, Manor Leisure Centre
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day Celebration (dress up as book character day)
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents evening link is live from 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan until 2 <sup>nd</sup> March
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents evening link is live from 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan until 2 <sup>nd</sup> March
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Tag Rugby Competition @ SHS
Monday 16 March	Caythorpe's 5/6 Residential 3 Days
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Comic Relief
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Grafham 3/4 Residential 3 Days
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Spring Disco FNRS
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Girls Football Competition @ SHS
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Break
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	School open, summer term begins
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception, Year 1 and 2 Sports Day, morning -time tbc
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 3,4,5 and 6 Sports Day, afternoon - time tbc
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Nursery Sports Day, 2pm
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	3.15pm Summer Fete
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	3.15pm Summer Fete Plan B (if it rains on the 26 <sup>th</sup> of June)
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	End of summer term

## Term Dates 2025/2026

<p><b>3<sup>rd</sup> Term 2026</b> Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February Professional Day (Closed to Pupils) <b>Half Term</b> Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February</p>	<p><b>4<sup>th</sup> Term 2026</b> Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March <b>Half Term</b> Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April</p>
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**5<sup>th</sup> Term 2026**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May (May Day School Closed)

**Half Term**

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May

**6<sup>th</sup> Term 2026**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July Professional Day (Closed to pupils)