

September 26'

Newsletter



Issue #01

Welcome back to you all!

Welcome Back!

What a fantastic start to the new school year! September has been an absolute blast, and it has been wonderful to see all of the children return to school with such enthusiasm and positivity. We are incredibly proud of how quickly everyone settled back into school routines, embraced new challenges, and engaged so positively with their learning. From the very first day, classrooms have been buzzing with excitement, curiosity, and a determination to do their very best. We are looking forward to another exciting month ahead and thank families for their continued support in helping make such a successful start to the year.

Miss F. Dudley

School Uniform

It has been wonderful to see all our pupils returning to school looking so smart and ready for the year ahead in their uniforms. We are grateful to parents and carers for their continued support in maintaining these high standards, which helps to create a strong sense of pride and belonging across our school community. We do understand that at times uniform can be a challenge, and if any family requires support, please do not hesitate to contact the school office, where we will be happy to help.

Attendance Matters!

Our whole school attendance target this year is:

96%

Your child will be coming home with lots of books over the coming weeks. Please help your child love these books as much as we do.



Goodbye

Having given many years of loyal and committed service to the school, Miss Smith (Year 2) has decided to step away from her teaching role in order to focus on her health and left on Friday last week. She has been a valued member of our team, touching the lives of countless pupils and colleagues through her dedication, care and professionalism. We thank her for all she has contributed and send our very best wishes for the future. Miss Smith wanted to thank everyone for their support and said she will miss being a part of the school.

Dates for the Diary



Senior Leadership Team 2026/2027

Miss Dudley - Head
Mr Smith - Deputy Head and UKS2 Phase Leader
Mrs Dowler - Assistant Head Teacher and LKS2 Phase Leader
TBC - Assistant Head Teacher, KS1 and EYFS Phase Leader
Miss Williams - SENCO
Miss Smith - Curriculum Project Lead.



Class 6K Assembly
Tuesday 6th October 2026
2:45pm

Parents Evening
Wednesday 7th October

Please ensure you have booked an appointment through the Arbor App

AUTUMN TERM 2026

Term Time: Tuesday 1st September 2026 to Friday 16th October 2026

Half term: Monday 19th October 2026 to Friday 30th October 2026 (2 Weeks)

Term Time: Monday 2nd November 2026 to Friday 18th December 2026

SPRING TERM 2027

Term Time: Monday 4th January 2027 to Friday 12th February 2027

Half term: Monday 15th February 2027 to Friday 19th February 2027 (1 Week)

Term Time: Monday 22nd February 2027 to Thursday 25th March 2027

SUMMER TERM 2027

Term Time: Monday 12th April 2027 to Friday 28th May 2027

Half term: Monday 31st May 2027 to Friday 4th June 2027 (1 Week)

Term Time: Monday 7th June 2027 to Friday 23rd July 2027

INSET DATES

Monday 20th July 2026
Tuesday 1st September 2026
Friday 23rd July 2027

HOUSE TEAM LAUNCH!



Safeguarding Team 2026/7

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Keeping children safe is everyone's responsibility

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SAFEGUARDING AT SLEDMERE PRIMARY SCHOOL

If you have any safeguarding concerns, please report them to one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads, who are pictured below:

 Miss F Dudley Headteacher DSL	 Mr D Asbury Executive Headteacher DSL	 Mr S Smith Acting Deputy Headteacher DDSL
 Miss N Williams SENCO DDSL	 Mr Timbrell Family Support Worker DDSL	 Mrs J Shingler Designated Teacher DDSL

Should any of these members of staff not be available, or if there are any further concerns, please contact the following:

 Safeguarding Governors: Tracey Parsons	 Local Authority Designated Officer: Yvonne Nelson- Brown and Sukhchandan Kaur
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Working together for a safer tomorrow



Information@smps.perryhallmat.co.uk

SOCIAL MEDIA: KNOW THE AGE

A quick guide for parents and carers of primary-school children

Keeping Children Safe Online

Social Media & Your Child

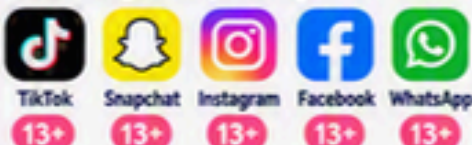
Hello Parents and Carers!

Children love exploring apps, games and online communities. Technology can be a brilliant way to learn, communicate and have fun, but we all need a little help staying safe.

This month's newsletter shares simple tips to help your child become a smart and confident digital citizen!

Social Media: Know the Age

Most popular social media apps have a minimum age of 13+, including:



Age limits help protect children from:

- ✓ Inappropriate content
- ✓ Scams and online pressure
- ✓ Contact from strangers
- ✓ Privacy risks

Did You Know?

Most social media apps are designed for children aged 13+.

What Can Parents Do?

Stay Involved

- Ask about apps and games
- Talk regularly about online activities

Use Privacy Settings

- Set accounts to private
- Review settings regularly

Keep Devices in Shared Spaces

- Use screens where adults can see
- Create family rules

Learn Together

- Ask your child to show you their apps
- Explore safety features together

Be Kind Online

- Treat others with respect
- Think before you post, share or comment

Warning Signs

Look out for these changes:

- Becoming secretive about devices or online activity.
- Upset or anxious after using a device.
- Messages from people they don't know.
- Spending much more time online than usual.

Start the Conversation Tonight!

- ★ What do you enjoy most online?
- ★ Who can contact you online?
- ★ What would you do if someone made you uncomfortable?
- ★ Do you know how to block and report?
- ★ Have you seen anything online that worried you?

Regular conversations help children feel confident about asking for help.

Three Things to Check Regularly

1

Who can contact my child?

Review followers, friends, messaging and group settings.

2

What can my child see?

Recommendations and feeds can show content they didn't search for.

3

What information is shared?

Names, school info, photos, locations and other personal details.

Our Safeguarding Team

Safeguarding Team Image Goes Here

If you have any concerns about your child's online safety, please speak to our safeguarding team or your child's class teacher. We are always here to help!

CEOP Online Safety Support

If you're worried about:

- ✓ Online grooming
- ✓ Inappropriate contact
- ✓ Exploitation
- ✓ Online abuse

Visit:

www.ceop.police.uk

Together, we can help children enjoy technology safely, confidently and responsibly!

Next
MONTH



Harvest Festival Donations

Join us as we celebrate the season of abundance by giving back to those in need. We're collecting donations of food and essentials to support our local community.

Non-Perishable Food

- Canned vegetables & fruit
- Baked beans & soup
- Rice, pasta, noodles
- Long-life milk or juice
- Cereal & porridge oats
- Tinned fish or meat
- Tea, coffee, biscuits



Toiletries & Household Items

- Soap, toothpaste, shampoo
- Toilet paper
- Feminine products
- Laundry & cleaning items



Thank you for your generosity!

Class Competition

We are extremely grateful for all the generous harvest donations brought into school.

The children have been very excited to take part and see how many donations their class can collect! There is a class competition, where all the donations will be weighed, and the class with the heaviest total weight will be the winner. Every donation, big or small, will help support those in need and is greatly appreciated. Thank you to everyone for your kindness and generosity, and good luck to all the classes!

All of our donations will be given to
The Black Country Foodbank

BLACK COUNTRY
FOODBANK

LOVE . CONNECT . INVEST

Self-belief



Honesty



Ambition



Respect



Kindness



October is Black History Month, a time for us to celebrate and learn about the achievements, contributions and experiences of Black people throughout history and today. During the month, the children will explore inspiring stories, important events, cultures and influential Black individuals. It is a wonderful opportunity for us to learn, celebrate diversity and appreciate the many ways Black people have helped shape our world.

**ATTENTION
PLEASE!**



**There is NO VEHICLE ACCESS to parents
before 9:00 am and after 2:30 pm
(12:45pm Fridays)**

The safety of our pupils and their families is paramount here at Sledmere. To ensure our grounds are safe during the school drop-off and pick-up, there is no unauthorised access to the school site during the times outlined above.

Authorisation of access can only be made by prior arrangement with the Head Teacher.

Please remember to treat our office with care and courtesy, as they have the safety of our pupils at heart. If the office staff refuse access, please note, it is a direct instruction of the Senior Leadership Team.

If you do have access to the car park during these times, please note that the expectation is that you:

1. Park in a designated bay and exercise safe use of your vehicle.
2. Do not drive in excess of 5MPH
3. Do not tailgate - we need to know who is on site.
4. Collect your children promptly and leave the site safely.

Failure to do so may result in your access to the car park being revoked.



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Please Park Responsibly

RESPECT OUR NEIGHBOURS

We understand that parking can be tricky, especially at busy times. Please can we all be considerate and park safely and legally to help keep our school community happy and respectful of our neighbours.



**DO NOT
BLOCK DRIVEWAYS**

Please keep access clear for our neighbours to come and go.



**DO NOT PARK
ON YELLOW LINES**

This can cause fines, creates safety issues and restricts access for emergency vehicles.



**DO NOT BLOCK
PATHS**

Please keep footpaths clear for pedestrians, parents with pushchairs and wheelchair users.



**PARK SAFELY
AND CONSIDERATELY**

A little thought goes a long way and makes a big difference to our community.

Small choices...

Thank you

FOR YOUR COOPERATION

make a big difference

