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HRH Queen Elizabeth II

School will be closed on Monday 19th September 2022 to observe the Queen's funeral

Our children at Adderley Primary School have been taking time this week to remember and reflect on the amazing life of Her Majesty the Queen. The Pastoral Team in school is well equipped to support your children through this emotional time.

You may be aware that King Charles III has formally declared that the day of the funeral of Her Majesty the Queen will be a **Bank Holiday which will be on Monday 19th September**, the official date to observe the Queen's funeral.

Children should return to school on **Tuesday 20th September**.



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Allergies Awareness In School

Adderley Primary School was fully aware that children who suffer from allergies can develop a severe, potentially life-threatening allergic reaction. If someone has an allergy it is not just eating food that can cause a severe reaction, just being touched on the skin or smelling the breath of someone who has had for example nuts or a product containing nuts can trigger an allergic reaction which can cause breathing and swallowing difficulties.

Adderley has been a Nut Free School for a number of years and parents have been asked not to put any nut products in your child's lunch box. The following items must not be included in children's packed lunches: Nutella, some cereal bars, some granola bars and some cookies or biscuits which may contain nuts.

In addition, we cannot accept foods in school which we are unaware of the production source or the unknown risks of cross contamination. We do not allow parents to distribute food, sweets or chocolates which have not been checked prior to distribution. We ask all parents to bring food, sweets or chocolates to the School Office in their original packaging to be checked before distributed to children or classes. If it was your child affected you would expect that we all help, especially as it can be a life-threatening condition.

Adderley has First Aid trained staff in the school to use Epi-pens (an injection of adrenalin) which are required immediately if a severe reactions occurs.

Adderley also has a School Nurse; Mrs Gharib. Mrs Gharib provides a wide range of support to children and families. If your child has a medical condition or requires medication to administered in school, Please speak to Mrs Gharib who is available from 8:50—2:50 Monday—Thursday and 8:50—1:00 Friday.



You can contact us via email by writing to enquiry@adderley.bham.sch.uk

Mobile Phones in Playground

As part of our safeguarding procedures parents are not permitted to use mobile phones in the school playground. There are signs up all around the playground please adhere to this policy.



Year 6 Secondary School Admissions

We would like to remind our Year 6 parents to apply for your child's secondary school place online at www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions between **1st September and 31st October 2022**.

It is important that you submit your application by 31st October 2022. Applications received after the national closing date of 31st October 2022 will be treated as late applications, late applicants are less likely to be offered a place at one of their preferred schools and these applications will be processed after 1st March 2023 in accordance to Birmingham's coordinated admissions scheme.

A Parent Meeting will take place on **Friday 23rd September at 9:15—10:00am**, the meeting aims to offer guidance on the application to secondary schools to parents and introduce key information about the SATs tests at the end of Key Stage 2.

Please speak to the school office if you require support with the on-line form.

ATTENDANCE, EXTENDED LEAVE AND LATENESS

As parents are aware, good attendance at school ensures children learn and make good progress. Adderley Primary School takes poor attendance very seriously and will take action where parents/carers fail to ensure their children attend school regularly. Every child should achieve an attendance target of **100%** and we recognise the good work many parents do in ensuring their children achieve this.

YOUR CHILD WILL NOT ACHIEVE OUTSTANDING ATTENDANCE IF THEY MISS MORE THAN 3 DAYS IN ANY SCHOOL YEAR.

Extended Leave, If you are thinking of taking your child out of school for an extended period, please come to the office to complete an Exceptional Circumstances Leave In Term Time Form. Adderley Primary School will **not** grant requests for leave in term time and any leave will be recorded as **unauthorised absence**.

Parents must be aware that they are at risk of losing their child's school place or being fined by the Local Authority.

Good timekeeping matters. Did you know that being 15 minutes late each day is the same as missing nearly two weeks of school? **EVERY DAY COUNTS but every minute is important! LOST MINUTES = LOST LEARNING**

Children who are persistently late will receive a Blue Card. Your child will miss their morning break to catch up on vital learning that they have missed.

Please consider the impact of any absences or lateness will have on your child's education.

School Dinner Money

The cost of school meals is now **£2.50** per day or **£10.00** per week (Monday - Thursday). Can we please remind all parents that dinner money must be paid every week via ParentMail. If your child has moved to Year 3 and you would like to apply for **Free School Meals**, you can apply online at <https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/birmingham> or Adderley Primary School can apply on your behalf, ask at the school office for further details.

