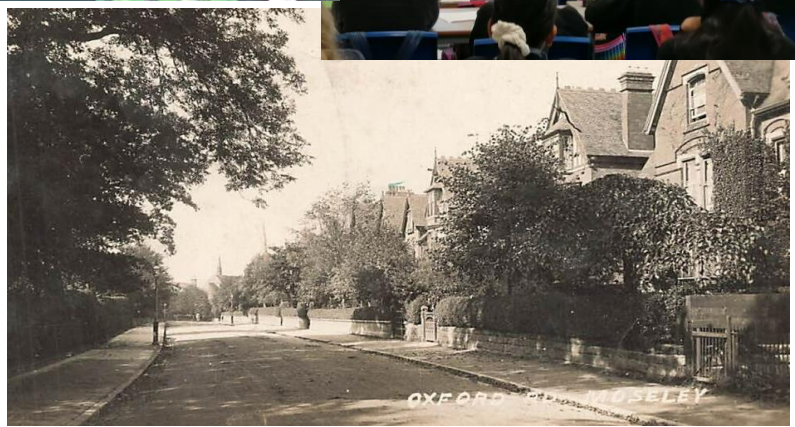
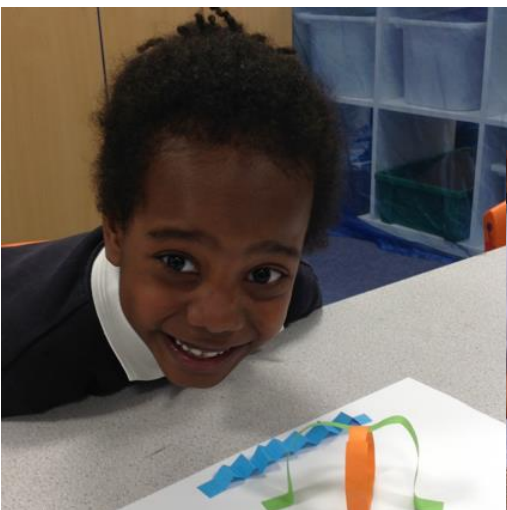




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PRIMARY SCHOOL





This week, we enjoyed a slightly shorter week and some lovely May sunshine. We hope you enjoyed the Bank Holiday Monday.

The children made us proud on Thursday, as they remembered the people who had fought and served in WWII. We celebrated VE day with an assembly where we looked at newspaper clips and film clips from the day and shared prayers.


On Friday, we were so pleased to welcome a former pupil of Moseley C of E, Hugh Gibbons. He was a child at Moseley, when the school was situated on the original site. Hugh had lots of stories about the local area and how his house (71 School Rd) had been bombed, while they were luckily sheltering in their cellar.

The children in Y4 and Y6 had an extra treat, as they each got to spend a whole lesson with Hugh. They really enjoyed finding out even more, seeing a book that had been in his sitting room that had an actual piece of shrapnel in it where the bomb had exploded, and looking more closely at photos from the VE Day celebrations in Birmingham.

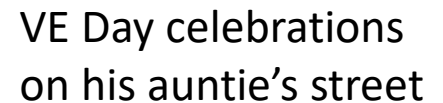
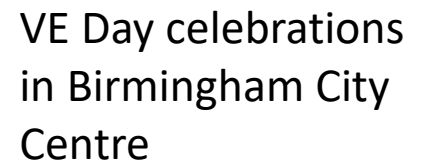


Oxford Road is a little busier today, with traffic and our school





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# The Birmingham Mail

LIGHTING-UP TIME, 10.44 p.m.

No. 24,701

TUESDAY, MAY 8, 1945

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## WORLD JOY AT ARRIVAL

## OF PEACE

## BUCKINGHAM PALACE CROWDS CHEER

## DOENITZ SAYS NAZI PARTY HAS DISAPPEARED

Thankfulness and joy at the arrival of peace in Europe are being expressed all over the world to-day, with the exception of the Soviet Union, which so far has given no hint that Germany's unconditional surrender to all three Allies had already been made.

A violent thunderstorm over London heralded both the declaration of the war — and its end, but after the storm in the early hours—which came to Birmingham later—this day of days dawned with a clear untroubled sky and bright sunshine, heralding the victory celebrations and a new era of peace in Europe.

### RESTORATION OF NORWAY

### PROCLAMATION BY

## BIRMINGHAM BEGINS TO CELEBRATE

## SPIRIT UNDAUNTED BY DISMAL WEATHER

## NIGHT FLOODLIGHTING AND BONFIRES

Birmingham celebrated VE-Day to-day with spirits undamped by the rain. Street decorations soon looked bedraggled, but there was no answering gloom in the hearts of the people. The things most likely to be affected at the street bonfires planned for to-night.

After the confusion which existed yesterday, Birmingham folk settled quietly down to a break from

deserted except for a few energetic gardeners mowing lawns, and tradesmen putting up their shutters. The Midland Red Bus Company operated normal services from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m., and will do so again tomorrow.

### MESSAGE FROM THE LORD MAYOR

**"I AM PROUD OF  
BIRMINGHAM"**  
 The Lord Mayor's Parlour,  
 The Council House,  
 Birmingham 1.

**VE-DAY.**  
 The great moment is here, to wit, significant events of recent days detract nothing from its greatness, from our profound sense of relief, nor from our proud recognition of the gallantry of every fighting man in the British Navy, Army and Air Force and in the fighting services of our gallant Allies.

I say with all reverence and reverence "Thank God."  
 On this day of days let us use it as five thanks either our soul or nearest place of worship, or in our own homes, or at our work.

Tomorrow at 11 a.m. at the Hall of Memory we hold a general Service of Thanksgiving to one of our religious denomination or belief is excluded.

Yes, I am proud of Birmingham and its citizens. The City has shown a manly and anxious days and thousands have lived their lives. I think of them very specially at this moment. Thousands of us will have our loved ones away.





Hugh's house on School Road on the day before it was bombed.

**71 SCHOOL ROAD OCTOBER 1940**



When the family came up from their hiding place in the cellar, this was what had happened to the front of their house.

Luckily, no one was injured, however, many of their possessions and furniture were destroyed.



This was the book that had the piece of shrapnel in it.



Life went back to normal quite quickly after the VE Day celebrations and school continued for Hugh.



We loved having our special VE Day visitor – thank you Hugh 😊





This weekend a lot of talented students took part in the RNSD performance of Cinderella. They all danced beautifully with big smiles on their faces!

Emma (R), Jessie (R), Molly (R), Sylvia (R), Alice K (Y1), Alice L (Y1), Evie (Y1), Emer (Y2), Imogen (Y2), Posey (Y2), Bella (Y2), Violet (Y2), Clara (Y3), Ophelia (Y3), Sophia (Y3), Ines (Y3)

\*\*Missing from photo: Arriya (R), Odhran (y2), Matilda-Rose (y3)





This is a photo of Tilly Rose (Y3), who also performed in the Cinderella Show at the weekend.

Tilly has also been very creative in other ways too ...

After watching the book trailer for *The Dark* in class, she was inspired to create her own. As she had never used Canva before, we worked together on Monday to bring her ideas to life.

**Here's what she did:**

- Chose and found illustrations online
- Typed up all the words
- Picked a background
- Helped arrange the slides and added animations.

She showed lots of creativity and quickly picked up new skills while working on this project. I'm really proud of what she achieved!

Click on the link to see Tilly's impressive book trailer ...

[https://www.canva.com/design/DAGmkgG14kA/Yg2N7OYnjb7Tdl0o\\_VPRWQ/watch?utm\\_content=DAGmkgG14kA&utm\\_campaign=designshare&utm\\_medium=link2&utm\\_source=uniquelinks&utlId=hd2e3cfe\\_d2c](https://www.canva.com/design/DAGmkgG14kA/Yg2N7OYnjb7Tdl0o_VPRWQ/watch?utm_content=DAGmkgG14kA&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link2&utm_source=uniquelinks&utlId=hd2e3cfe_d2c)







Sophie (Y6) and Coby (Y4) both swam for Camp Hill Swim Club this weekend, competing in the junior league.

Both swam incredibly well and helped their team come in second place!

It was Coby's first swim meet as well!







Katelyn, in Y6, recently took part in the Northfield Festival of Music and Speech and excelled, with some great feedback from the adjudicators.

She came out with a final grade of 'Commended' for both her performances. 😊





Read below for information about the next PTA event ...



**MOSELEY CoFE PTA**

# **QUIZ NIGHT**



**FRIDAY 13TH JUNE**  
**AT THE STATION, KINGS HEATH**  
**STARTING AT 7:30**

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**PRIZES FOR THE WINNING TEAM**  
**TEAMS OF 6 APPLY OR THE PTA CAN PUT**  
**TEAMS TOGETHER**

**NIBBLES PROVIDED**

**£5 PER TICKET**

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**BUY TICKETS AT**  
**<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/moseleyccofe/>**





Also, from the PTA, an idea for a gift to give to a special person ...

## Great gifts for LEGO fans!

Marvellous Men:

We are excited to offer the opportunity for your child to design their very own personalised LEGO® brick keyring for the Marvellous Man in their life.



This Father's Day, we're celebrating the Marvellous Men in our children's lives – dads, grandads, uncles, stepdads, or any special male role model!

As a fun and thoughtful gift, your child will be designing and creating their very own custom LEGO® brick key ring—a one-of-a-kind keepsake made with love and imagination.

These special keyrings will be sent home with your child, so they can proudly gift their creation to the marvellous man in their life. **\*Orders must be made by 30th May so can be delivered in time for Father's Day - please make all selections on pta events\***

Cost: £5 per keyring <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/moseleycofe/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=98793>

We hope this small gesture brings big smiles!



# YR News

## Sybilla Merrian

This week, Reception learned about the German botanist Sybilla Merrian who lived over 300 years ago. She studied plants and insects and then made careful diagrams and pictures of them to use as illustrations in scientific books or notes. We have a special area to be botanists in our class, where we can observe plants and insects and draw our own pictures. On Tuesday, we enjoyed looking carefully at some wild flowers and drawing some pictures. Later in the week we collected wild flowers from our own school playground and then pressed them into clay to make beautiful nature tiles.



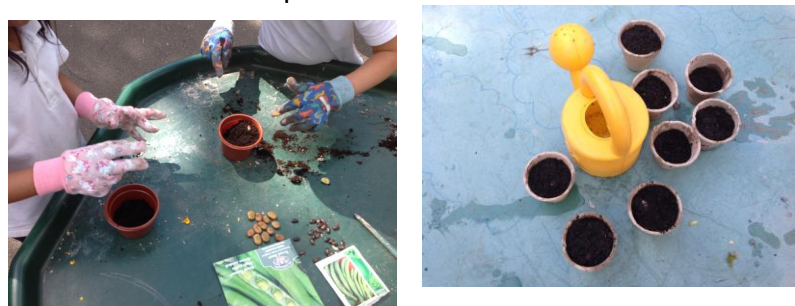
## To Twenty and Beyond

This week, to explore the concept of 20 even more, we used tweezers to count bean seeds into numbered pots. We had to count very carefully.



## Jack and the Beanstalk

After reading Jack and the Beanstalk this week, we decided to plant some bean seeds. We learnt that plants need water, sunlight and time to grow. We carefully scooped compost into the pots, added a seed, covered it in compost and then watered our bean seeds. Keep an eye out for updates!



**We are celebrating you!**

This week, we are celebrating Cosmo for super effort in phonics. Well done Cosmo!





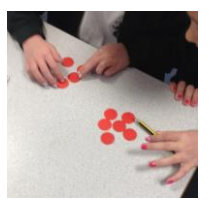
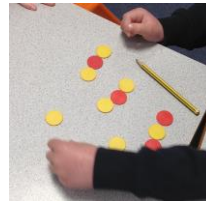
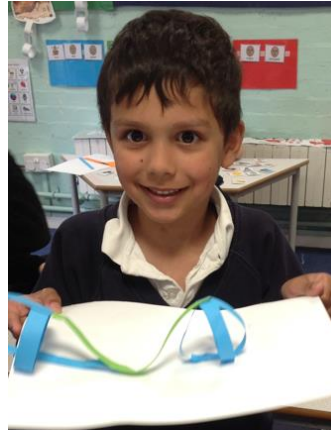
# Year 1 News

## Jungle Adventure

This week, we have written portal stories about finding a key to a magical jungle. The children showed their writing skills as they chose descriptive vocabulary, checked for capital letters and full stops and made sure their sentences were sequenced correctly.

## Paper Sculptures

We have been learning about sculptures as 3D drawings. This week, we created a large-scale, collaborative sculpture of paper shapes, which was inspired by the art of Samantha Stephenson. Everyone worked so hard – the finished piece looks amazing!



## Equal Groups

We have been recognising the difference between equal and unequal groups of objects. We have used this knowledge to help us to write repeating addition number sentences.

## Explorers from the Past and Present

We have been learning about explorers such as Dame Ellen MacArthur, Matthew Henson and Mary Kingsley. We have created fact cards to summarise some of their great achievements as explorers.



This week, we're celebrating Jasper for his thoughtful ideas and careful presentation of his work.

Florence and Emily O are writers of the week, for writing super stories about a jungle adventure!





# Y2 News

**Computing:** Learning about animation was enjoyable, and now we can identify the key aspects of a simple animation; creating a short animation using a flip book was WOW!!



## **Design and Technology:**

This week, we have been exploring and experimenting with the concept and features of structures, and the stability of different shapes. First, we identified natural and man-made structures and now we understand what is meant by 'stability'. We can identify when a structure is more or less stable than another. It was great fun to explain how shapes and structures have wide, flat bases or legs that are the most stable.



## **PE**

This week, we have been practicing with a partner to send and receive the ball. It was great fun to kick the ball over short and long distances with control.



## **Maths:**

This week, we have been working to recognise, find, name and write the fractions  $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{3}$ . We enjoyed recognising and finding the quarters and thirds of a length, shape and set of objects.



**Writer of the Week: Ivy**

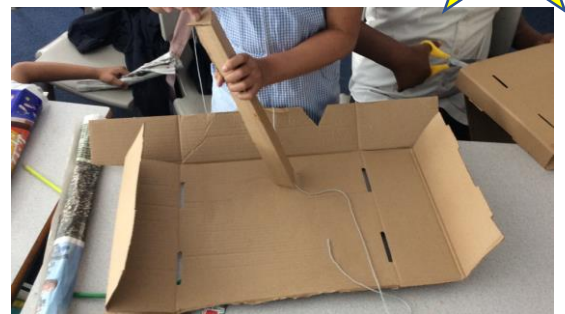
**Star of the week is: Amare**

# Year 3 News

In English, we have planned, drafted, edited and published exciting modern day stories all about an expedition to The Arctic Circle.



In Art, we continued to explore abstract 3D sculpture. This week, we investigated different techniques for joining elements of our sculptures.



We learnt about VE day  
with Hugh!  
Thank you!



This week our shining star is Tilly for her enthusiasm in home learning!

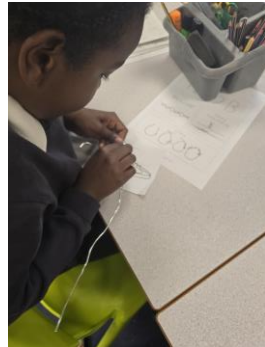
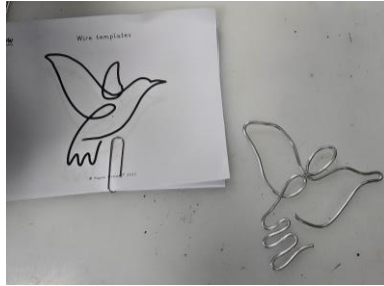
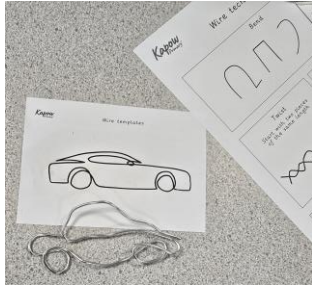
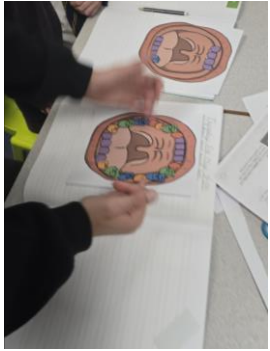


Our writers of the week are Peter and Clara for their captivating stories.

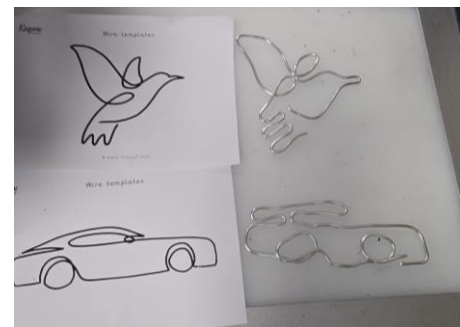


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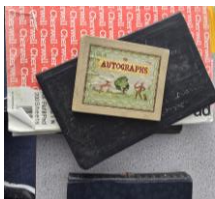
In Science, we were learning about human teeth. First, we learned about the 4 main types of teeth that people have and what each type of tooth is used for. Then we had to identify each tooth type and stick it in a diagram of a mouth.



In Art, this week, we were making sculptures from wire. First, we tested our sculpting techniques and skills. Then we used a template to help us make our sculptures from wire.



On Friday, we had a visit from Hugh to celebrate VE day. Hugh was a local resident of Moseley during WWII and shared what life was like living in the area at this time. He also shared with us some documents and memories he had from his experiences.



The star this week, in Year 4, is Viola, for working very hard all week long!



**Writers of the week:**



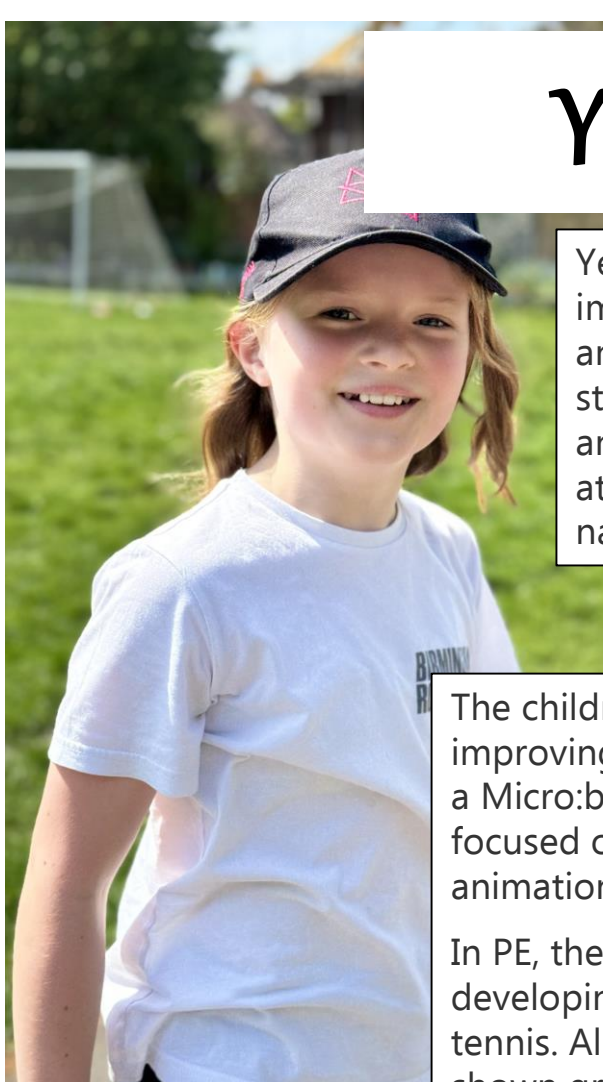
This week, our writers of the week are:

Jake & Imogen

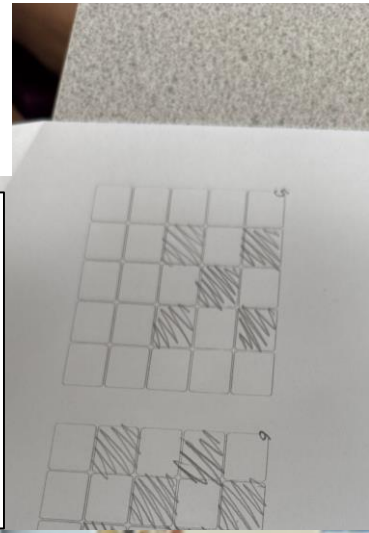
- for writing some great Cowboy stories this week!



# Year 5 News



Year 5 have been working hard on improving their understanding of angles in Maths. We have also started exploring the use of similes and metaphors to enhance atmosphere, when writing a narrative.



The children have been improving their ability to code a Micro:bit. This week, we focused on creating animations on the Micro:bit.

In PE, the children have been developing their volleys in tennis. All the children have shown great skill.



The children have continued their amazing achievements with their rugby outside of school, showing amazing hard work and determination in their games.



## Shining Star!

Our Shining Star this week is Ben, for his hard work towards improving in class and his dedication to sports.

## Writers of the week!

This week we are celebrating Charlie and Barney for their work on metaphors.



# Year 6 News

Year 6 worked in pairs this week to create SPaG revision power points. They had to think about what information to include and how to present it effectively.



In recognition of the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE Day, this week, Year 6 have been really lucky to have Hugh Gibbons (a former Moseley C of E pupil) come in to class to talk to them about his experiences in WW2 as a child. They got to examine a piece of shrapnel from a bomb that hit his childhood home in School Road and they heard all about life in Moseley during that time.



This week, our shining star is Sophie F, for her brilliant organisation and enthusiasm for the lunchtime science club she helps to run.

Our writers of the week are Shiv and Bea Bea for focused work in SPaG lessons.

# Maths award winners

The most correct answers this week!



Numbots of the week!

Year R – Henry

Year 1 – Emily

Year 2 – Joe



Rockstars of the week!

Year 3 – Henry

Year 4 – Ella

Year 5 – Eva

Year 6 – Nandini

Great work this week everyone! Keep on working hard!



The following information is about a new art competition we have been asked to tell you all about – it sounds really exciting and we can't wait for you to get creative and send us a photo of your work to share in the news letter ...

**RBSA**  
**GALLERY**  
ROYAL BIRMINGHAM  
SOCIETY OF ARTISTS

A vibrant poster for the RBSA Young Artists Prize 2025. The background is white with large, colorful paint splashes in red, purple, green, and blue. Several paintbrushes are shown in various colors (red, black, green, blue) as if they have just been used. The text 'NOW OPEN!' is in white on a purple background. 'ENTRY DEADLINE 20 JULY' is in white on a purple background. 'RBSA YOUNG ARTISTS PRIZE 2025' is in large, colorful letters. 'Ages 4 - 17' is in white on a green background. 'Open to young artists from Birmingham, Sandwell, & Solihull' is in purple. 'Selected artworks will be exhibited at the RBSA Gallery 26 - 30 August' is in purple. 'To enter visit www.rbsa.org.uk/call-for-entries' is in purple. The RBSA Gallery logo is in the bottom left corner.

**NOW OPEN!**

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**RBSA GALLERY**  
ROYAL BIRMINGHAM SOCIETY OF ARTISTS

RBSA Gallery, 4 Brook Street, Birmingham, B3 1SA  
[www.rbsa.org.uk](http://www.rbsa.org.uk) | 0121 236 4353 | [rbsagallery@rbsa.org.uk](mailto:rbsagallery@rbsa.org.uk)

The first ever RBSA Young Artists Prize is now open for entries!

Open to children aged between 4 and 17 from across the city of Birmingham, Sandwell District, and Solihull, this free to enter exhibition aims to give the region's young creatives a taste of what it's like to be an artist, and the opportunity to exhibit their artwork in an established art gallery.

Artists will be split into four age categories; 4 – 6 years, 7 – 10 years, 11 – 14 years, and 15 – 17 years, and prize winners will be selected from each of these groups. Every exhibiting artist will also receive a certificate at a prize giving event on Saturday 30 August.

The focus of the exhibition will be on imagination and creativity, and we encourage young artists working in any media, in 2D only, excluding photography and digital work, to enter. Artists will be able to submit one piece of work with a maximum size of A3.

We want to throw open the doors of the RBSA Gallery to tomorrow's artists, so we are inviting schools across Birmingham, Sandwell, and Solihull to share the competition with their students. Students can use their own email address to enter via the link below, alternatively, parents/carers or teachers can enter on their behalf.

If you have any questions, please email RBSA Gallery Marketing Manager Claire Riley on [marketing@rbsa.org.uk](mailto:marketing@rbsa.org.uk)

**[RBSA YOUNG ARTISTS PRIZE -](#)**  
**[ENTER NOW](#)**

Please read below for information about Old Swinford Hospital School open morning coming up ...

We are very lucky to have welcomed former pupils of yours to Old Swinford Hospital (OSH) in recent years and hope others will consider join our community in future.

**Our next Open Morning is coming up at 9:30am-12pm on Saturday 7 June**

Applications are now open for Year 7 September 2026 entry for Tailored Boarding, Flexi-Boarding and Day places, also via our website [www.oshsch.com/admissions](http://www.oshsch.com/admissions).

To find out more about the types of places and admissions process please contact the Admissions Team on [admissions@oshsch.com](mailto:admissions@oshsch.com) or call 01384 817325.

OSH's offering is very different to what many families may expect or have previously thought of.

While we are a traditional boarding school based on community and values, we have a unique offering where families can choose how often their children access our facilities and associated co-curricular activities by way of wrap-around care right up to sleeping over in school when or if their schedules require.

To get a good feel for our boarding community and experience, we have a great series of videos on our [YouTube channel](#); all of which feature our students sharing their genuine, unscripted views on their time at OSH.



Hi, Please signpost parents to the next CAT PAC Online course starting May 13<sup>th</sup>



**Communication and Autism**



**Access to  
Education**

## **Primary Age CAT PAC Online - Summer Term 2025**

**We would like to invite you to a CAT PAC course, our parent awareness course designed to support parent carers of children with a diagnosis of autism or children who are on the neurodevelopmental pathway for assessment and who are on CAT caseload.**

- The course has been designed for parents who want to increase their understanding of autism.
- The sessions will take place online via Microsoft TEAMS. If you secure a place, a TEAM's invite will be sent to you the week before the session commences so you can join the sessions.

### **SUMMER TERM 2025**

Session1 – An introduction to Autism	13 <sup>th</sup> May 2025: 9.30-11.30am
Session 2 – Communication and Interaction	20 <sup>th</sup> May 2025: 9.30-11.30am
<b>HALF TERM</b>	
Session 3 – Sensory differences	3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2025: 9.30-11.30am
Session 4 – Eating, sleeping, personal care	10 <sup>th</sup> June 2025: 9.30-11.30am
Session 5 – Autism and Anxiety	17 <sup>th</sup> June 2025: 9.30-11.30am
Session 6 – Parent/ carer choice & signposting services	24 <sup>th</sup> June 2025: 9.30-11.30am

### ***In your email please include:***

- Your name – Parent carer
- Your Child's name
- Your Child's school (Add your child's CAT worker if known)
- *Due to limited places, the course will be offered to the first families to contact us.*
- *There is an expectation that parents try to attend all sessions if possible.*
- Please email [\*\*A2EGeneral@birmingham.gov.uk\*\*](mailto:A2EGeneral@birmingham.gov.uk) to reserve a place.

*You will receive an email response to confirm your place or to tell you that the course is full.* **Yours sincerely, Lisa Walmsley and Wendy Bantock.**