



Bellfield Infant School News

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Dear Parents & Carers

*Happiness and wonder
inspires success*

We are so happy to have everyone back at school and the school is once again full of hustle and bustle. The children have been so good at returning to school and they all seem to have settled back into school really well. They have told us that they are so happy to be with their friends and to be able to play and run around. Obviously we have focussed on school routines and procedures this week and they are following them well even though this is the first week back since the Christmas holidays.

We have staggered start times for each year and designated waiting areas for so that the playground does not get too congested and a safe distance of 2 metres can be maintained. However, we notice that when the gates open at 8:30am some parents are arriving too early and not waiting in their allotted areas until their child's classroom door opens. Please can we ask that you don't arrive until 5 minutes before your child's door opens. Obviously if you are a Key Stage One parent with a child in the Early Years you will need to wait the ten minutes between your child being dropped off at Nursery or Reception. Can we also remind you that there is a one-way system on site and please can you adhere to it. All these measures are for you and your children's safety, we are still under lockdown. To read a copy of the return to school letter which includes information on the start times and a map, please click on the link below

<https://www.bellfield-inf.bham.sch.uk/welcome/covid-19>



Next Monday, children of Reception and Year 1 will be receiving a letter explaining our reading recovery programme. The letter will include your child's reading and Read Write Inc. level. Your child's login for their eBooks will also be included in the letter. We will be starting in-class reading competitions and quizzes so please ensure you are supporting your

child with their reading at home. We are hoping not to run out of certificates/badges as we know the children have a great love of reading! Please don't forget to sign your child's reading diary with a full comment. The children are aware we are aiming for three comments a week in their diary to get their awards. The children are very excited about the new reading scheme and rewards, as are we! Thank you for your support.

Attendance this week (excluding Nursery)
was 97.51%

Class	Attendance %
Nursery	93.33%
RD	94%
RE	97.90%
1B	95.36%
1R	99.33%
2B	99.30%
2W	99.29%



**Well Done to Class 1R who achieved
the highest attendance this week!**

Mrs Simm is teaching in the **Nursery** after the resignation of Mrs Harris and she is so impressed with how the youngest members of our school community returned to school so confident and eager to learn. They have been enjoying "We're Going On A Bear Hunt" and know it almost by heart and all the actions that accompany it.

As you walk past the **Reception** classes do look at the magnificent pirate ship that Mr Wiseman has constructed for the children. The children love it and thoroughly enjoy playing on it pretending to be pirates.

Year One have been focussing on the story, "The Lion Inside" which teaches we are all strong no matter how big we are. They have created some really excellent work from this.

Year Two have been exploring emotions, what they are and how they make us feel. They have been listening to different types of music and then drawing pictures to express how they make them feel. This has helped them to understand it is alright to be feeling anxious sometimes and they're not the only ones feeling that way and talking about worries or things that make you angry helps.

Please remember to read with your child and access the online books.



Dates for your Diary

Wed 31/03/21 - Reception Eye Tests

Fri 2nd April 2021 - Fri 16th April 2021
Easter Holiday - School Closed

Mon 19/04/21 - School Closed - Staff Training
Tues 20/04/21 - School re-opens Summer Term begins
Mon 03/05/21 - School Closed - Bank Holiday
Thur 06/05/21 - School Closed - Local Elections/Staff Training

Mon 31st May 2021 - Fri 4th June 2021
Half Term - School Closed

Mon 07/06/21 - School re-opens

Awards

Star of the Week

Nursery: - Moosa

For working so hard to learn his sounds and always trying his best.

Class RD: - Chloe

For completing all her home learning and making wonderful progress. Well done Chloe!

Class RE: - Isaac

For making great progress in all areas of his learning.

Class 1B: - Jacob

For his huge improvement in his reading and writing.

Class 1R: - Harriet

For a fantastic improvement in her reading and writing.

Class 2B: - Riley M

For making a great effort with his reading.

Class 2W: - Phinneas

For settling well into his new class.



Lunchtime



Class RD: - Julie

Class RE: - Oriya

Class 1B: - Kimi

Class 1R: - Sienna

Class 2B: - Annabelle

Class 2W: - Scarlet