



Bellfield Infant School News

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Dear Parents & Carers

*Happiness and wonder
inspires success*

This is our last full week of the Spring Term and the children have settled so well back into school again following the lockdown. They will be glad of a total rest from school work and no doubt parents probably feel the same. We break up next Thursday, 1st April and will return to school on Tuesday 20th April.

The staff have been extremely busy familiarising themselves with our new learning platform that will be so much easier for the children. It will mean everything they need can be accessed from one secure place which is password protected. Just like Purple Mash, each child will have their own unique password.

Easter is very close and this will be another year when we are unable to hold our Easter Hat parade due to the restrictions. We normally look forward to seeing the wonderful hat creations. However, the children will be participating in Easter craft activities and learning about Easter... we just need the warm spring weather to come now as well!



Nursery have been busy looking after their visitor, Bob, and showing him the things they have learnt. Every morning one of the children wake him up and make breakfast for him in our home corner. They have enjoyed getting the long telephones out and talking to one another at a distance.

Next Wednesday all the children in **Reception** will be having their eye tests. If your child does have any difficulties or there are any concerns, you will receive a letter from the NHS.

Reception have been practicing their listening skills by listening to lots of pirate stories as well as counting pirate treasure. They have enjoyed making treasure maps and next week they will be having a pirate Easter egg hunt. They are also doing some food science experiments to find out how things can change shape and consistency when exposed to different temperatures.

Can I remind parents that Nursery and Reception open their doors at 8:40am and they are closed at 8:50am any child arriving after this time is marked as late. Year One and Two open their doors at 8:50am and they are closed at 9:00am again any child arriving after this is late. We have done this so that not all parents turn up at the same time. I notice that a few parents are not adhering to the one - way system which is really unfair to those who are following the rules. We wish everyone could go where they want but whilst the virus is still very much here it is important to stick to the safety measures put in place. We know of two local primary schools who have had to close down completely this week due to the number of COVID cases.

Attendance this week (excluding Nursery)
was 94.63%

Class	Attendance %
Nursery	85%
RD	96.45%
RE	91.10%
1B	95.05%
1R	94.33%
2B	93.97%
2W	96.85%



**Well Done to Class 2W who achieved
the highest attendance this week!**

All year groups are trying really hard to have a real push on reading as this is an area where the lockdown has had a particular negative impact for some children. Please can you make sure that not only do you read with your child but you put a comment. The children who have fulfilled their three reads with receive a badge and go on the bookworm wall. Please help them to achieve this as we need your support for them to do this.



Our Wrap Around Care provision has been under review for some time now. Unfortunately, due to a financial loss our Breakfast Club and Afterschool Buddies Club will remain closed for the rest of this academic year. The decision has not been made lightly and we understand how upsetting and frustrating this decision will be for some of our working parents. We will review our Wrap Around Care provision again in the summer and decide whether it is financially viable to re open in September.

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: - Mafouz

For working so hard to not only learn his words but to write them too!

Class RD: - Brody

For working hard on his sentence writing.

Class RE: - Ariyana

For fantastic independent sentence writing.

Class 1B: - Kimi

For working hard in all areas of the curriculum.

Class 1R: - Amelia-Rose

For making fantastic progress in her reading!

Class 2B: - Evie

For good progress in her spellings and her great attitude to learning.

Class 2W: - Summer

For settling so well in to her new school.



Lunchtime



Class RD: - Chloe

Class RE: - Lilly-May

Class 1B: - Euan

Class 1R: - Elisha

Class 2B: - Jude

Class 2W: - Ruby



After Easter there will be a new Lunch menu and we will be re-introducing our 'Pick & Mix' Cold Lunch option.

Order forms will be sent home on Monday 29th March for you to order the 'Pick & Mix' option. If you would like your child to have the cold option when we return to school after Easter, please complete and return the order form by Thursday 1st April.