

Bellfield Infant School News

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Dear Parents & Carers

Happiness and wonder inspires success

Another week has passed and we seem to be speeding to the end of this academic year and the holidays beyond. The butterflies in Day Care, Nursery and Year 1 have appeared and they are very colourful. They are Monarch butterflies and Year 1 have released some of theirs' during their outdoor learning session with Mr Riley. Nursery and Day Care have not released all of theirs' yet.





About two weeks ago, we had mentioned in our Newsletter, children who were eligible for Nursery is significantly low and that we were going to be amalgamating the Day Care Nursery and school Nursery. However, there has been an increase in the number of children wanting a place in our Nursery, so we have now decided to open and run our school Nursery as normal. If you know of anyone who would like a place, please let them know and ask them to contact the school office.

Our Nursery children have been regularly visiting the Reception classes this week. It has allowed the children to familiarise themselves with their new classrooms and what is expected of them. This has also ensured that teachers have made relationships with their new children ready for next year. The transition has been hugely beneficial to all. Nursery have thoroughly enjoyed their visits and would like to thank the Reception children for being so welcoming.

This week we had the Standards and Curriculum Committee Meeting and the Resources Committee Meeting of the Governing Body.

We reported to the Standards and Curriculum Committee the final assessments result of each year group. Although the attainment was not as high as we would have liked, we accept that this was affected by the pandemic. However, when we looked at the actual progress our children had made, this was significantly greater than expected progress. Our children with SEN, did particularly well, and this was due to the continuous interventions and extra support the children have received. When we compared ourselves to other schools, we were largely in line.

Attendance this week (excluding Nursery) was 95.28%

Class	Attendance %
Nursery	81.11%
RD	93.71%
RE	95.80%
1B	97.93%
1R	95.97%
2B	94.96%
2W	93.14%



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

Due to the increase in Covid cases across the city, please can you be mindful about the social distancing rules and the use of wearing face masks. (Unless you are medically exempt) Obviously, the children are still following our strict hygiene regime and our bubbles still remain in place.

If your child shows any symptoms, then we will ask that you get them PCR tested and can only return back to school if it is a negative result. Please note the whole household would need to isolate until you get the test results.

If you have been in close contact with someone who's tested positive you can get a PCR test, whether or not you have symptoms. You must continue to self-isolate for the 10 full days even if your result is negative, as you could still become infectious.

After careful consideration, it has been decided that each year bubble will hold their own Sports events, in the playing fields on Vineyard Road. Unfortunately, we are unable to invite parents due to Covid restrictions. However, we intend to film some of the events and will make them available for you to watch on our DB platform.

Please can we ask parents not to smoke in the vicinity of the school gates and this includes Day Care's gate too. We have had some concerns raised that children waiting and coming into school are having to pass through the smoke and cigarettes held in an adults hand are level with a child's face. Please can you wait until you are no longer near school.

Awards

Star of the Week

Nursery: - Lauren

For becoming more confident.

Class RD: - Harry M

For always working hard and for being

self motivated!

Class RE: - Lola

For trying hard with her writing.

Class 1B: - Daisy

For her improved attitude to her learning.

Class 1R: - Olivia

For her improved attitude to learning.

Class 2B: - Annabelle

For her contribution to maths lessons.

Class 2W: - Mason

For outstanding motivation across the curriculum.

Bookworms















Lunchtime



Class RD: - Annabelle
Class RE: - Freya
Class 1B: - Brogan-Leigh
Class 1R: - Oliver S
Class 2B: - Archie
Class 2W: - Oscar

Dates for your Diary

Mon 12th July — Year 2 Sports Day (am) Tues 13th July — Year 1 Sports Day (am)

Weds 14th July — Nursery & Reception Sports Day (am)

**Unfortunately we are unable to invite parents to Sports Day due to

COVID-19 restrictions**

Thursday 22nd July - Wed 1st September Summer Holiday - School Closed

Thurs 02/09/21 - Staff Training - School Closed Fri 03/09/21 - Staff Training - School Closed