

Bellfield Infant School News

4th November 2022

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Dear Parents & Carers

Happiness and wonder inspires success

This week we have held Open Days for prospective parents who are looking for a school for their child in September 2023. We had a busy Tuesday morning and Thursday afternoon where Mrs Burns, Mrs Farrell and Mrs Simm showed prospective parents around the school. Some parents were very surprised by the amount of outside space we have for our children and how inspiring it was. Other parents remarked about the generous size of our classrooms and how attractive the children's displays were. At Bellfield Infants, we believe it is important for prospective parents to see the 'real' school in its usual day to day activities, that way they will get a far better feel for the school and whether it's the right place for their child. Parents remarked on the lovely friendly atmosphere in the school and how busy and engaged the children were.

There was a Resources Meeting with the School Governors on Tuesday where they looked carefully at the finances of the school and discussed decisions about spending. We are concerned about the school budget as everything is going up. The raised costs of gas and electricity are a worry for us all at home and in school. We have not had any extra money from the Government to pay our bills, it has to come out of our existing budget.

The weather has turned much colder so please can you ensure that your child comes to school in a warm coat and if they have a hat and gloves that these are clearly marked with their name so if lost they can be identified and returned. If you want your child to wear boots to school, please can you make sure that they bring their shoes to change into or they have their pumps to wear in school. It is very uncomfortable to sit cross-legged in boots and also the school is very warm inside.

Tuesday, Reception are visiting a farm and they are very excited about seeing all the animals. Children are to wear their school uniform but can we please ask that they wear their wellies as it may be muddy. Let's keep our fingers crossed it's a sunny day!

Next week is Maths week in school and the children will be doing all kinds of mathematical activities in school. We are also holding Maths workshops where you can learn how we teach maths and the kinds of activities you can do at home to support them. The times of the workshops are in 'Dates for you Diary' and we do hope that you will be able to attend.

We received an email from a local resident on Thursday regarding the parking around school.

"I am contacting you with a request if possible. Please can you remind parents about parking on double yellow lines in your newsletter or via your apps. This morning there were 4 cars parked outside the schools and it caused havoc. The traffic as a result was back up down Vineyard Road and up the other ways right past Sainsbury's petrol station. I know this is not your fault but the fault of lazy parents!

I know they'd soon be making a complaint should their child be run over or someone damages their car".

Can we remind parents that parking outside the school on Vineyard Road is illegal. The reason why we put the bollards out everyday is to try and prevent parents from mounting the pavement and parking as this causes obstructions and is extremely dangerous.

Attendance this week (excluding Nursery) was 92.89%

Class	Attendance %
Nursery	92.94%
RB	94.14%
RD	88.67%
1B	97.78%
1R	91.43%
2B	96%
2W	89.66%



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

Bookworms

Well done to you all!

Bookworm certificates are now handed out in the classroom and the children will receive a treat!

Awards

Well done to you all!
Please join us in assembly on Monday morning at 9:10am
to celebrate your child's success.















Day Care News



Come and join us to find out all about the Startwell characters, fun, games and even a competition for you and your children.



Tuesday 8th November 9:15am in the School Hall





It's Bonfire night tomorrow, so please take care if you're attending any bonfire displays or parties over the weekend.

Star of the Week

Nursery: - Thomas

For settling in so well to Nursery!

Class RB: - Niamh

For using her sounds to write words.

Class RD: - Ava-Rose F

For trying hard with her name writing and developing her confidence.

Class 1B:- Logan-Lee

For settling well into Year 1.

Class 1R:- Henry

For settling well into Year 1.

Class 2B:- Freya

For great effort and enthusiasm in maths.

Class 2W: - Scarlett T

For improved concentration and writing.



Lunchtime



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Nursery:- Kevin-Emanuel
Class RB:- Nova
Class RD:- Anaya-Sade
Class 1B:- Morgan
Class 1R:- Jacob
Class 2B:- Willow

Dates for your Diary

Class 2W:- Scarlett T

Tue 08/11/22 - Reception - Educational visit to a farm Tue 08/11/22 - Daycare - Startwell Workshop 9:15am

Parent Maths Workshops

Tue 08/11/22 - Year 1 Workshop 2:15pm Wed 09/11/22 - Reception Workshop 2:15pm Thurs 10/11/22 - Year 2 Workshop 2:15pm Fri 11/11/22 - Nursery Workshop 9:15am

Fri 18/11/22 - SEN Coffee Morning 9:30am
Tues 22/11/22 - Year 1 Visiting St Laurence Church
Tues 06/12/22 - Year 1 & 2 Christmas Performance (AM & PM)
Wed 07/12/22 - Nurs/Rec Christmas Performance (AM & PM)
Thurs 08/12/22 - Christmas Fayre
Fri 16/12/22 - Last day of Autumn term

Christmas Holiday 19th December 2022- 2nd January 2023

Tue 03/01/23 - School re-opens for Spring term