BERNARDS HEATH INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Start of Autumn Term Newsletter *4th September 2015*

Breakfast Club - If you wish to make a booking please contact Lindees on 01727 848355

Welcome Back!

It has been a really positive start to the term. Children have been talking enthusiastically about their holidays; it seems lots of you managed to dodge the rain and spend some time exploring in other countries or at home enjoying time together. As I have walked around school over the last couple of days there has been a buzz of excitement as children are familiarising themselves with their new classrooms. At lunchtimes it has been easy to see everyone is pleased to see their friends again after the summer break.

Thank You!

To all the staff who worked really hard over the holidays to make sure school was ready for the return to school.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Matthew Sean H

In the News...

I am sure, like us, you have been saddened by the recent stories in the media about the plight of refugees fleeing from their homes. At school we teach kindness and compassion and will be thinking of ways we might be able to help children in these situations.

Teaching and Learning at School

In our first whole school assembly this morning we talked about our Learning Heroes: Dog, Duck, Bear and Monkey.

Each Learning Hero has a set of characteristics that make it a really good learner. At school we know how important it is to talk to children about the process of learning and using the Learning Heroes and their accompanying stories is a really good way of helping them understand what they can do to improve their learning skills.

You can find out more about the Learning Heroes and read their stories at home— look for the Teaching and Learning Policy on our website.

PTA NEWS.....

Tuesday 15th September 2015 8pm—all welcome!

Fashion Show—Thursday 24th September 2015

Contact us: governors@bernardsheath.herts.sch.uk bernardsheath.pta@gmail.com

NEW PTA FUNDRAISER - http://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk

School Development Plan

Before the holiday we asked you for suggestions about how we could make improvements at school. The Leadership team have looked at all your responses and we will update you over the coming weeks on the work we have done.

The Governors met with the Leadership Team on Governor Day and discussed their priorities for school improvement. These priorities have had actions attached to them and with input from staff and parents our new development plan will be formed.

See next week's newsletter for further information about school priorities for development.

Afternoon Tea !

Join us for Afternoon Tea in support of Grove House and Macmillan on Friday 25 September at 2.00 pm in the school hall. We would be very grateful for any cakes, muffins, cookies you can donate!

After School Clubs

Please remember clubs will start week commencing Monday 14th September. If your child has been allocated a club please make your payments.

REMEMBER, REMEMBER.....

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Tues 15 Sept	8pm	PTA Annual General Meeting at the Infant School
Thurs 17 Sept	All day	Year 2 visit to Mountfichet Castle
Fri 18 Sept		Jeans for Genes Day—wear your jeans to school and donate £1
Fri 18 Sept	2.30pm	Coffee Afternoon in aid of Grove House & Macmillan
Thurs 24 Sept	Evening	PTA Fashion Show at the Infant School
Tues 29 Sept	Evening	FS2 (Reception) 'Meet the Teacher'
Mon 5 Oct	9am	Parent Volunteer Meeting
Tue 6 Oct	9am	KS1 Harvest Festival
Tue 6 Oct	7.30pm	FS1 (Nursery) Teaching & Learning Meeting
Wed 7 Oct		Individual School Photos
Wed 7 Oct	Evening	FS2 (Reception) 'Meet the Teacher'
Thurs 8 Oct	9am	Foundation Stage Harvest Festival
Mon 12 Oct	Evening	FS1 & KS1 'Meet the Teacher'
Tue 13 Oct	9am	Ryder Class Assembly
Wed 14 Oct	9am	Morpurgo Class Assembly

Welcome to the staff new to our school!

Mrs Khalid — Alban Class Teacher, Mrs Gilbert — Heath Class Teacher, Mrs Freestone— Year 2 Learning Support Assistant, Miss Pharoah — Year 2 Learning Support Assistant, Ms Keeton — Year 1 Teaching Assistant, Mrs Kingsman — Year 1 Learning Support Assistant and Mrs Fisher — Year 1 Learning Support Assistant