



BERNARDS HEATH INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Autumn Term Newsletter

23rd October 2015

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

Class	Feeling Proud
Heath am/Flex B	Charlie S
Heath pm/Flex A	Oliba
Heartwood	Kate
Clarence	Sebastian C
Verulam	Levi
Churchill	Siya
Spencer	Giulia
Mitchell	Beth
Ryder	Anish
Alban	Lauren
Morpurgo	Esme

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
 Harriet B, Amy S, Scarlett C, Amber S, Emmie,
 Isabelle W, Pietro, Evie, Matilda, Ms Dixon,
 Miss Woolfson,

Attendance

As a school we aim for at least 95% attendance for all children. Last year our attendance figure was 96.4% which was above the Hertfordshire and National figure of 96.1%

I want to remind you that family holidays and other celebrations must be taken in the 13 weeks of school holidays. If you choose to take your child out of school for any reason other than those of exceptional circumstance this will be recorded as unauthorised.

Excellent attendance is an indicator of future success at school and we are committed to working with parents to ensure our children leave Bernards Heath as happy, confident learners.

PTA NEWS....

Firstly thank you to everyone who donated or bought cakes today. It was another successful cake sale and we will let you know how much was raised after half term.

This year's Christmas Fair is planned for **Saturday 5th December** and promises to be lots of fun, so make sure you put it in the diary! Please have a look at the attached poster for a taster of what will be on offer. We are still collecting raffle prizes, so please let us know if you can help us out with a donation. Also, please keep hold of any empty glass jars in preparation for the fair. A list of dates for donations is also included with the newsletter. We will be sending out the letters for Santa's Grotto on the Tuesday after half term, so look out for those if your children would like to hand over their Christmas lists! Details of how you can volunteer at the fair will be sent out after half term. The next planning meeting for the fair will be on **Wednesday 4th November** at 8:15pm.

Do you work for a business or know someone that could provide the PTA with a 'money can't buy' prize for the Christmas Fair raffle? We would love to have a 'one of a kind prize' whether it be an experience or something that has been made bespoke that we could use for our silent auction. If you think you might be able to help, please contact the PTA at: bernardsheathinfant.pta@hotmail.com or speak to Clare Williams (Clarence/Morpurgo class) Rachel Fraser or Anne Lupin (Mitchell Class).

Thanks everyone

Remember

Scooters and bikes must be pushed when walking through the playground before and after school.
 Please help younger children remember the buggies should stay in the play houses.
 Thank you!

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

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

School Photograph reminder

Please return your child's school photo and payment to the school office by
Tuesday 3rd November

FS2 - Teaching and Learning Meeting 9am Wednesday 11th November - 'Come and find out about teaching and learning in FS2, look at your child's Learning Journal and take it home to share.' Notes will go up on the website if you can't make the meeting. Journals to be returned on Monday 16th November.

Please note the change of date for FS2 and KS1 Christmas party is now Tuesday 15th of December

Year 2 Reading Meeting

After the positive feedback from parents about the Year 1 and Foundation Stage 2 reading meetings Miss Kearns and Miss Woolfson will be talking to parents of Year 2 children on Monday 9th November at 9am.

FS2—Phonics Workshops

There are still spaces on the Phonics Workshops, beginning Monday 9th November for 4 weeks. Speak to the office to put your name on the list.

Book Fair

Thank you for supporting our Book Fair so enthusiastically.
We were pleased to see so many parents enjoying books alongside their children. The fair helped to raise money for new reading books in school.

Parent Support

Would you like to speak to a member of our Educational Psychology Team about your child's development and progress?

Friday 6th November at Soppell & Verulam Children's Centre, Mandeville Drive St Albans AL1 2LE

For more information and to check availability please call Sylvia Hutton or Kiefer Outram 01442 453904 to book your 45 minute appointment.

Have you visited our website recently?

Lots to look at including: blogs describing some of the children's learning experiences; curriculum maps explaining what is being taught and how; timetables so you know what your children are learning and when; information from recent parent meetings. Why not take a look and let us know if you have any ideas for how it could be even better.

REMEMBER, REMEMBER.....

DATE	TIME	EVENT
HALF TERM		
MONDAY 26 OCTOBER — FRIDAY 30 OCTOBER		
Mon 2 Nov		School Closed—Staff Training Day
Wed 4 Nov	9.30am	FS2 Tour for prospective parents for Sept 2016
Fri 13 Nov		Children in Need Fund Raising Day
Sat 14 Nov	9-11am	'Bring your parents to school' morning
Tue 17 Nov	9.30am	FS2 Tour for prospective parents for Sept 2016
Fri 20 Nov	5pm	Film Night for Infant School children 5.00-6.30pm
DECEMBER		
Wed 2 Dec	9.30am	FS2 Tour for prospective parents for Sept 2016
Sat 5 Dec	10am	Infant School PTA Christmas Fair
Tue 8 Dec	10am	Heath morning, All Day A and FS2 (Reception) Christmas Performance
Wed 9 Dec	10am	Heath morning, All Day A and FS2 (Reception) Christmas Performance
Wed 9 Dec	2pm	Heath afternoon, All Day B and FS2 (Reception) Christmas Performance
Thu 10 Dec	9.15am	Y1 Christmas Celebration
	2pm	Y2 Christmas Performance
Fri 11 Dec	9.15am	Y1 Christmas Celebration
	2pm	Y2 Christmas Performance
Tue 15 Dec	9.30am	FS2 (Reception) Tour for prospective parents
Tue 15 Dec		FS2 and KS1 Christmas Party Day
Wed 16 Dec		Heath Class Christmas Party
Wed 16 Dec	1.45pm	eSafety meeting for all parents
Fri 18 Dec		Wear your Christmas Jumper to school fund raising day
Fri 18 Dec		Term ends for Christmas holiday