



BERNARDS HEATH INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Autumn Term Newsletter

20th November 2015

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

Class	Feeling Proud
Heath am/Flex B	Eilidh
Heath pm/Flex A	Harriet
Heartwood	Anna C
Clarence	Phoebe
Verulam	Rowan
Churchill	Stefan
Spencer	Giulia
Mitchell	Madeleine
Ryder	Elena
Alban	Mia
Morpurgo	George

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
 Rosie, Georgia L, Younes, Clara G,
 Olivia M,

CHILDREN IN NEED -
 We raised £225.62—We loved the huge variety of badges the children made. Thank you for your support!

PTA News
 The Christmas Fair is only 2 weeks away and will take place on **Saturday 5th December**. It promises to be lots of fun, so make sure you put it in the diary! There will be a BBQ, cake stall, lots of games, crafts, singing, plus lots more and of course, not forgetting Father Christmas! We need lots of volunteers, so please sign up for a slot on PTA Social <http://service.ptasocial.com/register/bernardsheathinfant> if you have not already done so. Thank you to everyone who has already signed up. **We are particularly in need of volunteers for the BBQ stall, the cake and drinks stalls and the craft stall, so please sign up for a slot if you can help.** Thanks very much in advance for volunteering!
 You will find a letter reminding you about the various donations we are asking for attached to the newsletter. Please take a few minutes to have a look and see if you would be able to donate to the fair in any way. We will be collecting jam jars and donations for the homemade craft stall on **Friday 27th November**. Thanks everyone!
Lastly, a reminder that the PTA email address has changed to:
bernardsheathinfant.pta@hotmail.com.
 Have a lovely week.

COLLECTION FOR CHRISTMAS FAIR SATURDAY 5TH DECEMBER.
 This year the we are running a second hand uniform stall at the fair. If you have any clean saleable second hand uniform, particularly jumpers and cardigans which your children have grown out of, we would be very pleased to receive them.
 Remove names if possible and tie them in plastic bags labelled 'xmas fair'. Drop them off with Mrs Mayhew and Mrs Davies in The Office. Thank you!

Bring your parent to school on a Saturday
 This event was a huge success and it was wonderful to welcome not just parents but grandmas and grandads too! Children enthusiastically gave their parents a tour of school including their classroom, the library, cooking area, and toilets! Some children stopped in the hall and took part in '5 a Day' giving their bodies a work out. Others wrote some captions in the language they speak at home for a display in their classroom; some children shared the learning in their books, their favourite story books, maths games on the iPads and pastel Rangoli patterns.
 Thank you to the teachers for giving up their time on a Saturday morning and thanks to you if you attended!

Contact us: governors@bernardsheath.herts.sch.uk admin@bernardsheath.herts.sch.uk

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

Academies, including our local secondary schools, have had the choice to set their term dates outside of those set by Herts County Council. We do not have the opportunity to set our own dates and our term dates, in accordance with HCC, for 2016/2017 are as follows:

September 1st: Teacher Training Day
September 2nd: Teacher Training Day
 September 5th: Children Back to School
October 24th—October 28th: Half Term
October 31st: Teacher Training Day
 December 21st: End of Term 1.20 pm
 January 5th: Children Back to School
February 13th—February 17th: Half Term
February 20th: Teacher Training Day
 March 31st: End of Term 1.20pm
 April 18th: Children Back to School
May 1st: May Bank Holiday
May 26th: Teacher Training Day
May 29th—June 2nd: Half Term
 July 21st: End of Term—1.20 pm
July 24th: Occasional Day

ENSURE YOU BOOK YOUR FAMILY HOLIDAYS DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAY AS HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME WILL NOT BE AUTHORISED.

Local Parent Support

We would like to share a recommendation from one of our parents. Keystone are a local company who run workshops and talks to support parents in creating a learning environment at home which enables your children to flourish. If you'd like to learn more visit www.keystoneworkshops.co.uk We hear they are full of really useful information for families!

NON-UNIFORM DAY – FRIDAY 4TH DECEMBER

On the Friday before the fair, we always have a non-uniform day at school. Instead of asking families to donate money, we instead ask everyone to bring an item or 2 for the hampers that are then raffled off at the fair. This year we are asking people to donate food items. Some suggestions would include bottles of wine, chocolates, biscuits, sweets, savoury items. We just ask that items are non-perishable. Thank you in advance for your donation.

Parent Support

Simple Solutions Workshop

Problem solving sessions for parents/carers of children with Autistic Spectrum Disorder.

Wednesday 3rd February 2016 7-9pm

These workshops are funded by DSPL7

Please confirm your attendance to cofex7@gmail.com

Venue: St Albans Girl's School, Sandridgebury Lane, St Albans, AL3 6DB

SEN Information Village

Discover more about the SEN expertise and provision that is available in your district

Tuesday 24th November 2015 10-12am

This event is free to attend

Places are limited, please call 01727 853134

Venue: St Albans Girl's School, Sandridgebury Lane, St Albans

REMEMBER, REMEMBER.....

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Fri 20 Nov	5pm	Film Night for Infant School children 4.45-6.30pm
Wed 2 Dec	9.30am	FS2 Tour for prospective parents for Sept 2016
Sat 5 Dec	10am	Infant School PTA Christmas Fair
Wed 2 Dec	9.30am	FS2 Tour for prospective parents for Sept 2016
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

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY—Mon 21 Dec—Fri 1 Jan
Teacher Training Day—Monday 4th January